

FARM MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

About the Farm Management and Technology Program

The Farm Management and Technology (FMT) program is a three-year academic and practical college program, offered on the Macdonald Campus and taught by the staff of the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of McGill University. The program covers various aspects of modern commercial agriculture, including soil, plant science, animal science, engineering, and management. Students also participate in internships to gain hands-on experience in agricultural enterprises. For further information on the program, please refer to the FMT program website.

Academic Rules and Information

The Farm Management and Technology program follows the rules and regulations of McGill University as well as from the *Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MEES) for the collegial level.

Entrance Requirements

1. Students should have a good practical knowledge of farming under eastern Canadian conditions. One year of experience is recommended, but under special conditions a four-month summer season is acceptable.
2. The **minimum academic entrance requirements** are a Quebec Secondary School Diploma (SSD) or its equivalent and the successful completion of the following five courses:
 - Secondary IV: History and Citizenship Education or History of Quebec and Canada
 - Secondary IV: Science and Technology or Applied Science and Technology or Physical Science
 - Secondary IV: Mathematics
 - Secondary V: Language of Instruction
 - Secondary V: Second Language
3. The minimum entrance requirements for **students from Ontario** are the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), as well as:
 - grade 10 French as a second language
 - science: SNC2P (recommended with TCJ20 or TDJ20 or TMJ20) or SNC2D (desired with TCJ20 or TDJ20 or TMJ20)
 - mathematics: MFM2P or MPM2D

For **other Canadian students**, the minimum French requirement is grade 10 second language. Please contact the department for more information

For **international students**, a recognized French proficiency test may be required. An English proficiency test may also be required.

4. All candidates for admission must make arrangements to come to the Macdonald Campus for an interview prior to admission to the program.
5. Admission to this program is only in the Fall semester.
6. We strongly encourage incoming students to acquire their driver's permit (both for cars **and** farm equipment) before coming to Macdonald Campus. This is first for safety reasons, given that students may work with farm equipment during the first semester. As well, most farmers require their employees and trainees (stagiaires) to drive and possess the appropriate driver's license.

Important Dates

Sessional Dates

The number of teaching and examination days is set by the *Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MEES). The sessional dates vary from year to year. At the present time, each semester has 75 teaching days and seven days of exams.

Last Day for Withdrawal or Course Additions

The last day to make course registration changes for Fall term courses is **September 20**.

The last day to make course registration changes for Winter term courses is **February 15**.

Registration

Students in the Farm Management and Technology program must register online using Minerva at mcgill.ca/minerva for each semester at McGill.

Note: The University reserves the right to make changes without prior notice to the information contained in this publication, including the alteration of various fees, schedules, conditions of admission and credit requirements, and the revision or cancellation of particular courses. In normal circumstances, individual courses will not be offered with fewer than five registrants.

Academic Standing

In their first semester, students who fail half or more of the courses for which they are registered or obtain a weighted average grade below 60% in their first term in the FMT program are placed in unsatisfactory standing and are required to withdraw from the program for a period of at least one semester. If after this period, students wish to be readmitted, they must apply in writing to the Director of the Program.

After the first semester, when a student's cumulative weighted average grade or semestrial weighted average grade drop below 60%, or when a student fails half or more of the courses for which he/she is registered in any one term, the student is placed on academic probation. Students on probation may be limited to a maximum of 10 credits for the following semester, if the Director and/or the Associate Director believe this action to be in the best interest of the student. Course registration is subject to approval by the Associate Director for the following semester.

Students who are on academic probation for two semesters in a row are placed on unsatisfactory standing and are asked to withdraw from the Program. They may apply in writing to the Director or Associate-Director for readmission after a 6 to 12-month waiting period.

Any student who is readmitted to the FMT Program after having been placed on unsatisfactory standing is automatically placed on academic probation for the semester into which he/she is readmitted. The conditions mentioned in the second paragraph above still apply.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

The regulations and policies governing student rights and responsibilities at McGill University are published jointly by the Dean of Students' Office and the Secretariat and can be found on the McGill Secretariat Policies and Regulations site.

Institutional Policy on the Evaluation of Student Achievement

The policy has the following objectives:

- to establish and explain the principles followed in evaluating student learning;
- to describe the means of translating these principles into practice and to establish the required procedures;
- to articulate the appropriate responsibilities of students, instructors, departments, and academic administrators;
- to account to students, parents, universities, and employers for the standards of learning at the campus;
- to create an environment of awareness and free discussion of pedagogical concerns within all segments of the campus community;
- to provide information that will allow students to more fully understand and participate in the educational process;
- to provide the framework within which instructors and academic administrators can exercise their professional judgment in a competent, just, and coherent fashion.

Copies are available in the Library and students are informed of it at registration.

Fees and Expenses

Fees

Tuition fees are calculated separately from student fees. For eligible Quebec residents in the Farm Management and Technology Program there is no amount charged for tuition, thanks to support from the *Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec*. Out-of-province and international status FMT students registered for full-time studies pay a tuition fee in addition to student fees. Students considered to be studying part-time (less than 8 credits/semester) will be charged half that amount. For information about fees specific to your residency status, consult the Undergraduate fees tables on the Student Accounts Website. Student fees are charged to all students, regardless of residency.

** All fees are subject to change without notice.*

Textbooks and Supplies

The cost of textbooks and supplies is estimated at \$250 per semester.

Financial Assistance

In-Course Financial Aid (including loans and bursaries) is available to full-time students on the basis of demonstrated financial need; however, it is recommended that all applicants apply for the maximum government student assistance program for which they are eligible. Students may apply for In-Course Financial Aid through the Financial Aid & Awards Menu on Minerva and will then be asked to make an appointment with a Financial Aid Counsellor at Student Services. For more information, consult Scholarships and Student Aid or contact Student Services, Macdonald Campus, at 514-398-7992.

Residence Accommodation

Laird Hall is a co-educational residence with a capacity of 250 students. It accommodates students in double and single rooms. Each floor includes shared washrooms, a fully equipped kitchen, a television lounge, and a laundry room. For more information, refer to the University Residences – Macdonald Campus page, or visit the McGill Student Housing website, or email residences.macdonald@mcgill.ca.

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