

STUDENT-LED ASSOCIATIONS AND INITIATIVES

Legal Information Clinic at McGill

The Legal Information Clinic at McGill (LICM) is a non-profit, student-run, bilingual, and free legal information service. Our mandate is to provide legal information, referral and document certification services to the McGill and Montreal communities, with a continuing commitment to meeting the needs of marginalized groups. Students who have completed their first year at the Faculty of Law are eligible to volunteer, but all McGill students are entitled to receive our services for free! For further information, contact:

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Contours

Contours is a project based at the McGill Faculty of Law that aims to map and shape the contours of debates, experiences, concerns, and aspirations through written and artistic exploration of the intersection of women and law. Founded in 2012, the student-run magazine is a space for women's voices and an invitation for us all to start a conversation. *Contours* is published annually and welcomes contributions in English and French from students and faculty. Nous accueillons des réponses argumentatives et émotionnelles, théoriques et expérientielles, par écrit et de l'art, parce que nous croyons que toutes ces formes d'expression sont utiles pour développer notre compréhension des intersections entre les femmes et le droit à différents niveaux.

Graduate Law Student Association

The Graduate Law Students' Association (GLSA) is an Association with an Executive Board composed of five graduate students, who represent all Law graduate students at both the Faculty of Law and the Post-Graduate Students Society of McGill University (PGSS). All graduate students and postdoctoral fellows at the McGill Faculty of Law are members of the GLSA. The GLSA executives aim to improve the graduate student experience at McGill and advance your interests within the Faculty of Law. The GLSA holds seats at many Faculty committees, including Faculty Council, the Graduate Studies Committee and PGSS Council. The GLSA also organizes social, cultural, and academic events which provide students the opportunity to relax and socialize outside the classroom, and to discuss their research with their peers.

Innocence McGill

Innocence McGill is a legal clinic based at McGill University's Faculty of Law and dedicated to researching and investigating claims of wrongful conviction for serious crimes in Quebec. Founded in 2005, we are a student-led and student-run organization with oversight by

our supervising lawyer (a criminal defense attorney in Montreal) and our Faculty Advisor. Our ultimate goal is to help secure the freedom of those who are factually innocent of serious crimes for which they continue to serve sentences in Quebec prisons.

L.E.X. Program

The Faculty's High School Outreach Program has been renamed to L.E.X. (Law – Éducation – Connexion) to better reflect its bilingual nature and priorities. L.E.X. gives law students and Montreal-area high school kids a chance to meet, interact with, and learn from each other. This initiative stems from our concern about Quebec's alarming high school dropout rates and about the fact that many underprivileged kids, as well as children of immigrants and visible minorities in Montreal, are under-represented in post-secondary and legal education. The L.E.X. Program reflects our view that the privileges enjoyed by the Faculty of Law and its students also bring responsibilities.

McGill Journal of Law and Health

The McGill Journal of Law and Health (MJLH)/*Revue de droit et santé de McGill* (RDSM) is a peer-reviewed academic journal featuring literature from renowned academics and practitioners on current issues of law and policy relating to health. Publishing annually since 2007 on topics ranging from medical practice and technology to intellectual property and medical ethics, the MJLH is a bilingual, student-run venture based at the Faculty of Law of McGill University and operates within an interdisciplinary and transsystemic framework of legal scholarship.

McGill Journal of Sustainable Development Law

The McGill Journal of Sustainable Development Law (MJSDL), formerly McGill International Journal of Sustainable Development Law and Policy (JSDLP), provides a forum in which the world's leading scholars exchange ideas on the intersection between law, development, the environment, economics, and society. Over the past quarter-century, determining how to enrich our world in a more sustainable fashion has become an imperative, especially given the impact of development on the environment and human rights. Despite this pressing need for new ideas, there are few outlets for informed and focused commentary on sustainability, particularly in Canada. In response to this void, students at the Faculty of Law of McGill University established the MJSDL, a student-run, peer-reviewed academic journal, in 2004.

McGill Law Journal

The McGill Law Journal was founded in 1952 by students at the Faculty of Law of McGill University. Since its establishment, the Journal has promoted the development of legal scholarship by providing content with broad appeal to an audience that includes professors of law, practicing lawyers, and law students. The Journal has consistently pursued this objective for six decades and continues to foster a more profound understanding of the common law and civil law legal traditions. Today the Journal is recognized as an important forum for the critical analysis of contemporary legal issues in the realms of public, private, and international law.

McGill Journal of Dispute Resolution

The MDJR is a peer-reviewed academic journal founded in 2014 that publishes articles on domestic and international alternative dispute resolution ("ADR").

Pro Bono Students Canada

Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC) was founded in 1996 at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. Since then, PBSC has expanded to have chapters in all 22 Canadian law schools. Each year across Canada, 1,600 PBSC law student volunteers provide approximately 140,000 hours of free legal services to over 400 public interest and other community organizations, courts, and tribunals. PBSC is the only national student program in Canada, the only national pro bono program in the country, and the only national pro bono service organization anywhere in the world. PBSC McGill began in 2000 and has been going strong since then. During the 2012–2013 school year, PBSC McGill had 91 law student volunteers who worked with and provided legal services to 32 different community organizations across Montreal.

Quid Novi

Quid Novi is the weekly newspaper of the McGill Faculty of Law and is published and financially supported by the Law Students' Association. It covers events and legal issues, both inside and outside the faculty. Content ranges from wit and satire to investigative journalism, from poetry to front-page news stories, and from political commentary to humorous contests.

Skit Nite

Skit Nite is an annual theatrical event produced and performed by law students. Comprising humorous vignettes of law school life and musical performances, the show has become the highlight of the faculty social calendar. The primary purpose of the evening, however, is to raise money for worthy local causes. Skit Nite donates every year to several Montreal charities.