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## **1 Opportunities for Field Study and Study Abroad**

Besides the many academic resources McGill offers on campus, there are also unparalleled opportunities to enrich your educational experience through exchange programs, internships, field study programs and McGill courses taught abroad.

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## **2 Study Abroad Options**

There are four types of Study Abroad options available:

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### **2.1 Bilateral Student Exchanges**

Bilateral student exchange agreements are tuition exchange agreements that exist between McGill University and one other institution, which have been reviewed and approved.

**Students from other universities** are eligible to apply to the McGill CFSIA and must also meet the criteria for admission to McGill as a Visiting Student. Please see the AFSS website for details.

The AFSS comprises 15 credits of field study courses. Two courses (6 credits) in the natural and social sciences provide interdisciplinary academic context for field study. The other 9 credits are taken from the complementary courses list.

Visit the AFSS website [www.mcgill.ca/africa](http://www.mcgill.ca/africa), or go to [www.mcgill.ca/study](http://www.mcgill.ca/study) (Course Calendars) in July for details of program updates.

**Offered:** Winter term

**Location:** East Africa

**Enrolment Limit:** 38 students

**Fees:** In addition to the regular McGill fees, students will be required to pay the additional costs associated with delivering the courses in the field. These costs include airfare, local travel, all food and accommodation, special admission fees for parks and museums as well as other field costs. Airfares and currency fluctuation will determine the amount of this charge. The 2010 trip cost is \$12,250 CDN. The actual cost for 2011 will be determined by September 2010.

Quebec residents may be eligible for a financial subsidy from the *Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport* (MELS), see [www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/travelawards](http://www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/travelawards) for details.

**Application Deadline:** April 30, 2010. Depending on space, there will be a second intake with a deadline date of November 1, 2010.

**Application Details:** Students must submit the CFSIA application (available on the AFSS website), a copy of their transcript and two reference letters to Martine Dolmière in the Faculty of Science, Dawson Hall, Room 408. See the website for details: [www.mcgill.ca/africa/application](http://www.mcgill.ca/africa/application).

**Prerequisites:** The AFSS is intended for students in their final two years. A CGPA of 3.00 and higher is recommended.

For more information and course lists, see [section 7.1: Field Studies - Minor Field Studies \(18 credits\)](#).

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## 4 Barbados Field Study Semester

Website: [www.mcgill.ca/bfss](http://www.mcgill.ca/bfss)

**Offered:** Fall term

**Location:** Bellairs Research Institute in Barbados

**Enrolment Limit:** 27 students

**Fees:** In addition to the regular McGill fees, students will be required to pay the additional costs associated with delivering the courses in the field. These costs include airfare, accommodation and most food, as well as other field costs. Fees for 2009 were \$6,750 CDN, this does not include airfare.

Quebec residents may be eligible for a Travel (Mobility) Award from the *Québec Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport* (MELS), see [www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/travelawards](http://www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/travelawards) for details.

**Application Deadline:** March 13, 2010

**Application Details:** Students must submit a letter of intent, a CV and a copy of their transcript to the Department of Bioresource Engineering, c/o [susan.gregus@mcgill.ca](mailto:susan.gregus@mcgill.ca)



**Application Details:** Students must submit a letter of intent, a CV and a copy of their transcript to the Department of Plant Science, c/o [carolyn.bowes@mcgill.ca](mailto:carolyn.bowes@mcgill.ca). Further details are available at [www.mcgill.ca/bits](http://www.mcgill.ca/bits).

**Prerequisites:** None

For more information and course lists, see [section 7.1: Field Studies - Minor Field Studies \(18 credits\)](#).

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## 6 Panama Field Study Semester

Website: [www.mcgill.ca/pfss](http://www.mcgill.ca/pfss)

**Offered:** Winter term

**Location:** Smithsonian T

### **African Field Study Semester - Required Courses**

6 credits

Students select one course titled "Research in Society and Development in Africa" and one course titled "Research in Ecology and Development in Africa" from the courses below.

ANTH 451	(3)	Research in Society and Development in Africa
BIOL 451	(3)	Research in Ecology and Development in Africa
GEOG 451	(3)	Research in Society and Development in Africa
NRSC 451	(3)	Research in Ecology and Development In Africa

### **African Field Study Semester - Complementary Courses**

9 credits from:

\*Note: Courses marked with an asterisk ("\*") are offered on a rotational basis, at least 3 credits annually.

ANTH 411	(3)	Primate Studies & Conservation
ANTH 416	(3)	Environment/Development: Africa
BIOL 428	(3)	Biological Diversity in Africa
BIOL 429	(3)	East African Ecology
GEOG 404*	(3)	Environmental Management 2
GEOG 408	(3)	Geography of Development
HIST 413	(3)	Independent Reading
NRSC 405	(3)	Natural History of East Africa
NUTR 403*	(3)	Nutrition in Society
REDM 405	(3)	Natural History of East Africa
WILD 420*	(3)	Ornithology

### **Barbados Field Study Semester (15 credits)**

The Barbados Field Study Semester (BFSS) provides one term of integrated field study for students with an interest in global issues related to natural resource use as affected by socio-economic, management, urban and physical constraints. Offered at the Bellairs Research Institute in Barbados, this program challenges students to be more effective environmental decision makers, policy makers and managers. There is a growing need for professionals with such skills at all levels of gov

CIVE 519	(6)	Sustainable Development Plans
URBP 519	(6)	Sustainable Development Plans

**Barbados Interdisciplinary Tropical Studies Field Semester (15 credits)**

The Barbados Interdisciplinary Tropical Studies (BITS) Field Semester is an activity-filled, hands-on, e



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## **9 Financial Assistance**

Students participating in an official McGill University exchange program are eligible to apply for government student assistance as a McGill student, but are not eligible for McGill Student Aid. Students who "study away on their own" are not eligible to receive government student loans through McGill because they are not registered at McGill. Students should verify with the institution they will be attending whether or not they will be eligible to receive government student assistance.

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### **9.1 Transfer of Credits from Host Institution**

Grades received from the host institution do not appear on the McGill transcript nor are they calculated in the McGill CGPA. The McGill transcript includes a notation of participation in an exchange, the number of transfer credits granted by McGill, and where applicable, McGill course exemptions.

The transfer of credits process must be initiated by the student immediately upon return from exchange with the faculty Student Affairs office, and be completed no later than four months after the exchange.

Before leaving the host institution, students should order two (2) copies of the official transcript for their files, and ensure that the institution sends an official version of the transcript to Student Exchanges and Study Abroad at McGill.

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### **9.2 Universitas 21**

The Universitas 21 Consortium is an international network of leading research-intensive

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## 9.4 Further Information

Additional details regarding study abroad, including application procedures, deadlines, eligibility criteria, travel awards, etc., are on the Student Exchanges and Study Abroad (SESA) website: [www.mcgill.ca/students/international](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/international).

Student Exchanges and Study Abroad (SESA)

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## 12 Off-Campus Courses

McGill offers a number of off-campus courses.

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### 12.1 Architecture

**Course:**

ARCH 324	(1)	Sketching School 1
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(Summer-Section 001 (20-Aug-2009/28-Aug-2009)) (Prerequisite: ARCH 218) An eight-day supervised field trip in the late summer to sketch places or things having sp9requisi834 55426.534 564.0158 dayual cha482 m67.02 597quisi834 5U0h5 Tm(erM3.830 0 1 67.5268.98 5t1.3re 564.0r 8.t1.3in t6r 8.t1.3in t6r4.015







