

## Exchange Conditions of : Canada-Quebec - IFMSA-Quebec

**Level of studies:** Must be in second-last or last year of clinical studies.

**Type of Clerkship:** Clinical clerkships only.

NOTE: Only 6 countries have access to English units each year. Students from other countries should not include MCGILL UNIVERSITY in their choices as they will not be placed there.

**Languages:** French units: FLUENT FRENCH IS MANDATORY. Students might be interviewed on the phone prior to the clerkship. All clinical activities at University of Montreal, University Laval and University of Sherbrooke take place in French and it is imperative that students consider this before applying.

English units (6): available only to students from

- Denmark
- Finland
- Ghana
- Israel
- Italy
- Spain

**Duration of Clerkship:** 4 weeks

**Working Conditions:** Monday to Friday.

You will have the same schedule as local students (about 8 hours) and it will vary according to the department.

You will be expected to attend the clerkship every day.

\*\*\*Please be aware the you will likely have a busy schedule, as Quebec clerkships are considered among the most demanding within the IFMSA.

If you wish to do tourism, please plan extra time because during the clerkship you will only have Saturdays and Sundays off!

**Disciplines:** Universite Laval (French) :

Medical Biochemistry

Cardiology

Cardiac Surgery

Plastic Surgery

Thoracic Surgery

Endocrinology

Gastro-enterology

Genetics

Haematology

Nuclear Medicine

Microbiology and Infectious Diseases

Nephrology

Neurology

Ophtalmology

Orthopaedics

ENT

Pathology

Pneumology

Sports Medicine  
Radiology  
Radio-oncology  
Readaptation Medicine  
Emergency Medicine  
Urology

Universite of Sherbrooke (French) :

All except Pediatrics, Dermatology and Obstetrics/Gynecology. IMPORTANT: Your faculty must be part of the WHO.

Universite de Montreal (French):

All except for Pediatrics and Family Medecine

[http://www-1ercycle.med.umontreal.ca/MedWeb/1er\\_cycle/externat/stagesoption/repertoiresoption.html](http://www-1ercycle.med.umontreal.ca/MedWeb/1er_cycle/externat/stagesoption/repertoiresoption.html)

McGill University (English) :

NOT AVAILABLE:

General Internal Medicine

Obstetrics & Gynecology

General Surgery

Family Medicine

Anaesthesia

Ambulatory Pediatrics and Pediatric Cardiology

AVAILABLE:

All other departments (i.e., Radiology, Emergency Medicine, etc.) and all other subspecialties (i.e., Cardiology, Plastic Surgery, etc.) will consider your application.

**Periods & Towns:** UNIVERSITE LAVAL (Quebec City)

2010

April 4 to April 25

April 26 to May 25

May 16 to June 5

June 6 to June 26

June 27 to July 17

July 18 to August 7

August 8 to August 28

August 30 to Septembre 19

September 20 to October 11

October 12 to October 21

November 1 to November 21

November 22 to December 12

December 13 to January 9

January 10 to January 30

January 31 to February 20

February 21 to March 13

March 14 to April 3

2011

January 11 to February 5

February 8 to March 5

March 8 to April 2

## UNIVERSITE DE MONTREAL

- Preferably January to June. Other summer months by special request only (ask the NEO for availability).

- Periods are specific:

PERIODE 1: 17 August - 13 SEPTEMBER 2009

PERIODE 2: 14 SEPTEMBER - 11 OCTOBER 2009

PERIODE 3: 12 OCTOBER - 8 NOVEMBER 2009

PERIODE 4: 9 NOVEMBER - 6 DECEMBER 2009

PERIODE 5: 7 DECEMBER - 10 JANUARY 2010

PERIODE 6: 11 JANUARY - 7 FEBRUARY 2010

PERIODE 7: 8 FEBRUARY - 7 MARCH 2010

PERIODE 8: 8 MARCH - 4 APRIL 2010

PERIODE 9: 5 APRIL - 2 MAY 2010

PERIODE 10: 3 MAY - 30 MAY 2010

PERIODE 11: 31 MAY - 27 JUNE 2010

PERIODE 12: 28 JUNE - 25 JULY 2010

PERIODE 12A: 26 JULY - 15 AUGUST 2010

PERIODE 13: 16 AUGUST - 12 SEPTEMBER 2010

PERIODE 14: 13 SEPTEMBER - 10 OCTOBER 2010

PERIODE 15: 11 OCTOBER - 7 NOVEMBER 2010

PERIODE 16: 8 NOVEMBER - 5 DECEMBER 2010

PERIODE 17: 6 DECEMBER - 9 JANUARY 2011

PERIODE 18: 10 JANUARY - 6 FEBRUARY 2011

PERIODE 19: 7 FEBRUARY - 6 MARCH 2011

PERIODE 20: 7 MARCH - 3 APRIL 2011

- Any AF without matching dates will be returned for correction!

## MCGILL UNIVERSITY (Montreal)

- All year round except JULY and AUGUST! Please consult the schedule at the link below:

[http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/ugme/electives/visiting\\_calendar\\_en.htm](http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/ugme/electives/visiting_calendar_en.htm)

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## UNIVERSITE DE SHERBROOKE

June to December!

\*\*\*Be aware that the academic year is from September to May. The social program will depend on local students' availability and their exam periods!!

**Application documents & deadline:** All e-AFs must be on e-ex before February 1st and all paper documents must be received 5 MONTHS in advance. Any late applications will be refused. This will give us time to prepare invitation letters and place the student.

MCGILL UNIVERSITY (minimum 5 MONTHS ahead):

Once your AF (please send it at least 5 MONTHS in advance!) has been approved we will send you the link for this application which must be filled out and sent directly to the university. You will be prompted to upload documents directly onto this website.

FOR LAVAL, MONTREAL and SHERBROOKE FLUENT FRENCH IS REQUIRED. A telephone interview may be conducted and students found to have insufficient knowledge of French will be refused.

For UNIVERSITE DE MONTREAL (min 5 MONTHS ahead) PAPER documents sent by mail ONLY:

Ask your NEO for Montreal's student guide available on the yahoogroup.

1. Formulaire « Autorisation et attestation du doyen de la faculté d'attache »
2. Lettre de motivation
3. Curriculum vitae
4. Les évaluations de tous vos stages complètes dans le cadre de vos études médicales (valides ou non valides)
5. Les relevés de notes de toutes vos études en médecine
6. Formulaire « Stage(s) demande(s) »
7. Formulaire « Certificat médical de vaccination » - Le certificat doit être signé par un médecin désigné par l'ambassade canadienne
8. Preuve d'identité
9. 2 photos
10. Formulaire « Demande d'un certificat d'immatriculation auprès du Collège des médecins du Québec (CMQ) »
11. Attestation récente (moins de 1 an) de la maîtrise de la langue française

**Digital documents required:** UNIVERSITE SHERBROOKE (min 5 MONTHS ahead) e-documents followed by paper copy:

- Copy of the AF, with email address and valid telephone number
- 2 passport-size photos, signed by the student and authenticated by a witness (a member of faculty or administration from the medical school)
- Certified copy of the passport
- University transcript
- 1 motivation letter (handwritten in French)
- Language certificate
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter from the student's university (in English or French) confirming status as medical student as well as the level of study.
- Fill out the CMQ form (ask your NEO to access it in the Yahoo Groups)
- Proof of health insurance coverage
- Vaccination certificate and medical certificate from a doctor authorised by the Canadian embassy

UNIVERSITE LAVAL (minimum 5 MONTHS ahead) e-documents accepted:

- 1) Copy of the AF
- 2) 1 picture
- 3) A letter from the student's faculty, approving the elective outside of the country and stating the student's level (year of medical studies). \*Please state total years needed to graduate.
- 4) University transcript
- 5) NO motivation letter

**Card of Acceptance deadline (weeks in advance): 8**

**Card of Confirmation deadline (weeks in advance): 4**

**Insurance:** Health insurance is required and a proof must be sent with the confirmation card or handed in upon arrival.

**Pocket Money:** \$200 CAD for food

**Board & Lodging:** Free housing is arranged by Local Committees in student apartments, with access to kitchen.

\$200 CAD will be given to the student at the beginning of the clerkship to pay for food.

Transportation and other expenses are not included (Sherbrooke: buses are free for students).

**Social Program:** Varies according to the Local Committees (LC), the school calendar and availability of members. Our goal is not to fill all spare time with activities and we do not have much budget for social events. Every student will have a contact person who will take care of the social program.

**Substitutions:** We strongly discourage substitutions because most schools will not accept them. Once the CA is sent, no changes in date, city or department will be allowed. Postponing is not allowed.

**Cancellations:** Inform the NEO as soon as possible. Cancellations definitely jeopardise our student capacity for the future. We are facing a clerkship shortage because of the increased number of admissions. Hence every clerkship is important and the cancelled ones can only further endanger the SCOPE program in Quebec.

**Visas:** Every student is required to pass a medical exam by a doctor.

Some students will also need a temporary visa.

Contact your local embassy for more information. You can also check on [www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visa\\_e.html](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visa_e.html)

**IMPORTANT:** Medical students doing an elective for less than 4 months and without salary do not require a workers' permit. Please mention the article R186-P when you apply for a visa.

We will send you an invitation letter if you require a visa. In order to do that, we need every AF before Feb 1st.

**Special remarks:** Please bring your white coat and a stethoscope. No jeans or running shoes in the hospital.

The guidelines for the motivation letter :

-Why do you want to do a clerkship in Quebec?

-What do you expect from your clerkship? (please state if you are using clerkship for your credit).

-What would you like to do during your clerkship?

-Do you have any clinical experience?

**More info Link:** [www.montrealam2010.com/Montreal\\_AM\\_2010/IFMSA-Quebec.html](http://www.montrealam2010.com/Montreal_AM_2010/IFMSA-Quebec.html)

**These Exchange Conditions are valid until:** 2011-03-31

**Last update of data (GMT):** 29-05-2010