

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

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 6 to May 1

Mai 4 to May 29

June 1 to June 26

July 6 to July 31

August 3 to August 28

August 30 to Septembre 25

October 5 to October 30

November 2 to November 27

November 30 to December 24

2011

January 11 to February 5

February 8 to March 5

March 8 to April 2

UNIVERSITE DE MONTREAL

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

- Periods are specific -

PÉRIODE 1: 17 August - 13 SEPTEMBER 2009
PÉRIODE 2: 14 SEPTEMBER - 11 OCTOBER 2009
PÉRIODE 3: 12 OCTOBER - 8 NOVEMBER 2009
PÉRIODE 4: 9 NOVEMBER - 6 DECEMBER 2009
PÉRIODE 5: 7 DECEMBER - 10 JANUARY 2010
PÉRIODE 6: 11 JANUARY - 7 FEBRUARY 2010
PÉRIODE 7: 8 FEBRUARY - 7 MARCH 2010
PÉRIODE 8: 8 MARCH - 4 APRIL 2010
PÉRIODE 9: 5 APRIL - 2 MAY 2010
PÉRIODE 10: 3 MAY - 30 MAY 2010
PÉRIODE 11: 31 MAY - 27 JUNE 2010
PÉRIODE 12: 28 JUNE - 25 JULY 2010
PÉRIODE 12A: 26 JULY - 15 AUGUST 2010
PÉRIODE 13: 16 AUGUST - 12 SEPTEMBER 2010
PÉRIODE 14: 13 SEPTEMBER - 10 OCTOBER 2010
PÉRIODE 15: 11 OCTOBER - 7 NOVEMBER 2010
PÉRIODE 16: 8 NOVEMBER - 5 DECEMBER 2010
PÉRIODE 17: 6 DECEMBER - 9 JANUARY 2011
PÉRIODE 18: 10 JANUARY - 6 FEBRUARY 2011
PÉRIODE 19: 7 FEBRUARY - 6 MARCH 2011
PÉRIODE 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

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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. Any AFs sent after this date will be refused. This will give us time to prepare invitation letters and place the student.

LCs that accept all documents in electronic format: Universite Laval, Universite de Sherbrooke.

IMPORTANT

FOR ALL MCGILL APPLICANTS

Please ask your NEO for the list of required documents from the Yahoo groups.

Also visit: http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/ugme/electives/visiting_intro_en.htm

FOR ALL LAVAL APPLICANTS

At least 5 months ahead, the following documents are required:

- 1) Copy of the AF
- 2) 1 picture (electronic version accepted)
- 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 required!

FOR ALL OTHER APPLICANTS

The following documents are required 5 months prior to the clerkship:

- Copy of the AF, with a RELIABLE email address
 - 2 passport-size photos, signed by the student and authenticated by a witness (e.g. a member of faculty or administration from the medical school)
 - Certified copy of the passport
 - University transcript
 - 1 motivation letter (hand-written, in French, except for McGill University applicants)
 - Reference letter (English units only) by a clinical supervisor
 - 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.
 - Completed registration form (will be sent by your NEO - from NEO files database)
 - For Universite de Montreal only: completed university form sent by your NEO (neo yahoogroups files).
- *Students who do not fill out this form will be turned down.

IMPORTANT

Please translate all documents to French or English

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

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

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

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