ONE FACULTY,
A WORLD OF DISCIPLINES

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE



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CONCORDIA



TODAY'S BIGGEST CHALLENGES STRETCH BEYOND DISCIPLINES.

SO DO WE.



Our world, our societies need agile thinkers eager to further knowledge, and develop research and creative work across disciplinary boundaries. Concordia's Faculty of Arts and Science creates spaces where these collaborations can flourish.

We are one of Canada's largest and most interdisciplinary faculties with disciplines ranging from the social sciences and humanities to the health and natural sciences. Our scholars engage in research creation, as well as in fundamental and applied research. Our interconnectedness promotes new ways of thinking and inclusive excellence. It allows our students to be critical and diverse thinkers. It prioritizes community relations and engagement.

"We can all eat less processed foods or partake in less sedentary behaviours and more physical activity. But the focus should not be on our body weight."

– **Angela Alberga**, professor, Department of Health, Kinesiology and Applied Physiology; Concordia University Research Chair, Tier 2, Maternal, Child and Youth Weight-Related Issues

BACKED BY NUMBERS



"We will train a new generation of leaders to help solve global sustainability challenges."

– **Damon Matthews**, professor, Department of Geography, Planning and Environment; Concordia University Research Chair in Climate Science and Sustainability; interim director and scientific co-director, Future Earth's Sustainability in the Digital Age



OUR MOMENTUM IS UNMISTAKABLE.

$5M+
in scholarships and fellowships awarded annually

2,500
graduate students,
41 per cent
of whom are international

MORE THAN
100
student clubs and associations, making student life among the most vibrant in the country

25+
interdisciplinary research centres

45 research chairs, including **19** Canada Research Chairs

200
full-time staff

129,400
alumni worldwide

17,200
undergrad students

860+
full- and part-time faculty members

12
Rhodes Scholars

Figures as of Fall 2024

WHO SAYS LIBERAL ARTS AND STEM CANNOT COEXIST?

SCIENCES



BIOLOGY



PSYCHOLOGY



CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY



PHYSICS



HEALTH, KINESIOLOGY AND APPLIED PHYSIOLOGY



MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

HUMANITIES



CLASSICS, MODERN LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS



COMMUNICATION STUDIES



ENGLISH



JOURNALISM



HISTORY



ÉTUDES FRANÇAISES



THEOLOGICAL STUDIES



PHILOSOPHY

NOT US.

Located across Concordia's Sir George Williams Campus and Loyola Campus, our faculty and students thrive on synergy.

SOCIAL SCIENCES



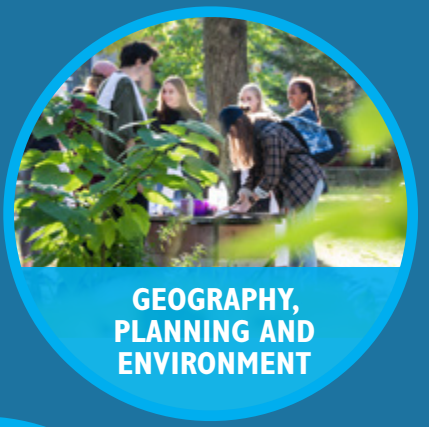
APPLIED HUMAN SCIENCES



ECONOMICS



EDUCATION



GEOGRAPHY, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT



POLITICAL SCIENCE



RELIGIONS AND CULTURES



SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY



"We explore how religions and cultures are dynamic operators that shift meanings and values over time and place, and train students to develop a critical framework for understanding contemporary issues with empathy and clarity."

– **Sowparnika Balaswaminathan**, professor, Department of Religions and Cultures



Liberal Arts College offers foundational studies that will open your mind, challenge your world view and provoke critical reflection



Simone de Beauvoir Institute is a Canadian leader in women's and sexuality studies



School of Irish Studies is unique and the first of its kind in the country, the school is enmeshed in Canada's Irish communities



Science College unites scholars from across the sciences through cross-disciplinary experiential learning and research



School of Community and Public Affairs is where the connection between academia and activism strengthens impact



Loyola College for Diversity and Sustainability prepares students to tackle societal challenges from a global, interdisciplinary and multicultural perspective

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

NEXT-GENERATION RESEARCH MUST CROSS BOUNDARIES.

WE PROVIDE A BRIDGE.



"I use synthetic biology to create green alternatives to petrochemicals."

– **Vincent Martin**, professor, Department of Biology; Concordia University Research Chair in Microbial Engineering and Synthetic Biology

Our researchers drive interdisciplinarity, as they reach for new knowledge and solutions to problems facing our world.

Centre for Applied Synthetic Biology: Canada's first research centre dedicated to a breakthrough field and its applications in environmental protection, sustainable manufacturing, agriculture, food production and drug development.

Centre for NanoScience Research: unites chemists, biochemists, physicists and materials engineers in the rapidly evolving world of nanoscience where the possibilities span nanomedicine, new materials for clean energy and energy storage, and environmental sustainability.

Centre for Oral History and Digital Storytelling: where faculty, students and community explore the links between oral history, new media and the arts while documenting Canada's stories.

Institute for Research on Migration and Society: promotes interdisciplinary, social science approaches to the study of human migration. The IRMS brings faculty members, students, postdoctoral researchers together from across the university to explore migration and societies.

Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Society and Culture: promotes multi-faceted exploration and collaboration in scholarship in the humanities, social sciences, fine arts and their community partnerships through emergent working groups.

engAGE: the Centre for Research on Aging is a network of researchers who challenge established ideas about aging, through innovative and collaborative research, working directly with communities.

The Social Justice Centre facilitates research and convenes events on issues such as freedom, equality, solidarity, and democracy.

TODAY'S WORLD IS IN FLUX.

WE'RE RESPONDING.



Universities need to equip students for a world that, in many ways, will differ greatly from today's. A snapshot of how we are adapting education for our times:

- **Experiential Learning** gives students the opportunity to learn through doing while gaining practical and professional skills, on or off campus. Every Arts and Science program offers students options for experiential learning.
  - **Institute for Co-operative Education** helps more than 450 students from the Faculty of Arts and Science benefit each year from a job placement — from an internship at the Court of Quebec in the Law and Society program to wildlife research at Parks Canada for science students.
- **Experts-in-residence** are professionals who join the university to bring new perspectives and practical experience to our students. We have several "in-residence" experts: a journalist, a jurist, a public servant, two clinical psychologists and more.
- **4TH SPACE** is Concordia's research showroom — a combination of living lab, science centre, museum exhibition and theatre set — that helps equip students for the future by providing a window on new knowledge.
- The **Public Scholars Program** provides select doctoral students with professional training to empower them to share the impact of their academic research with the wider community. It has led to dozens of op-ed articles and community engagement events.
- **Community Engagement Opportunities**: The Faculty of Arts and Science is enmeshed with the city via the work of units, such as the Simone de Beauvoir Institute, the School of Community and Public Affairs, the department of Applied Human Sciences and the SHIFT Centre for Social Transformation, working with Montreal community groups to create a more just, inclusive and prosperous city for all.
- **Service to the community**: The Applied Psychology Centre (APC) is the in-house training clinic of the department of Psychology. Doctoral students engage in clinical practice while being supervised, and in the same breath, provide therapy, counselling and assessment services to the local community.



"I study climate change impacts on marine systems, marine invasions and their intersection. I'm working with a team to put Canada's ocean economy on the path to net-zero emissions by 2050."

– **Nicola S. Smith**, professor, Department of Biology

DIGITALLY DRIVEN. SOCIALLY MINDED.



"We aim to learn more about cancer and the biology of inheritance, ultimately enabling us to design new therapies for precision medicine."

– **Elena Kuzmin**, assistant professor, Department of Biology, Canada Research Chair Tier 2 in Synthetic and Functional Genomics and winner of the Gairdner Early Career Investigator Award

The Faculty of Arts and Science ensures we pursue technology without losing sight of our humanity.

- The Applied AI Institute investigates how AI can improve the status quo. It explores how machine learning impacts internet policy and governance, social media policy and politics, digital media activism, digital political communication, elections, data-driven campaigning, cybernetics and more.
- With ACT (ageing + communication + technologies), Concordia examines how "digital ageism" — the individual and systemic biases that create forms of inclusion and exclusion that are age-related — operates in subtle ways and can be overcome.
- The Climate Clock counts down how long the planet has left before reaching a 1.5-degree increase in temperature and a 2.0-degree rise depending on various scenarios. It was co-created by musician-activist David Usher and Concordia researcher Damon Matthews.
- Concordia University Press is an open-access, non-profit publisher of scholarly inquiry. The press publishes engaging, accessible books in English and French that span the arts, humanities and social sciences.
- Concordia is the provincial home of the Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute and its Montreal Health Statistics Centre, connecting statisticians and end-users across the province.

Our experts push boundaries to help ensure Concordia's and Canada's research strength globally. We're known as leaders in:

- Genome engineering technology and research: We employ cutting-edge robotic technology for synthetic biologists to execute work at significant scales and speeds — such as creating alternative antibiotics in animal feed, editing mammalian cells, bioprocessing to transform lactose — while developing genome engineering technology.
- Lifestyle and Addiction Research: We conduct research into the determinants of addictive behaviours, such as gambling, online gambling and alcohol disuse disorder. We also develop harm-prevention tools to address new risks arising through gambling and quasi-gambling games.
- Biomedical sciences: We advance groundbreaking work using biomedical ultrasound technology to provide localized and safe drug delivery. We employ innovative techniques in MRI to understand cardiovascular disease. We use metabolomics to identify biomarkers that enable us to develop personalized medicine and preventive health strategies.
- French certification: Concordia is the only institution in North America to house an official assessment centre for the écri+ project. This online service develops students' written French skills and certifies their proficiency.



COLLABORATION ACCELERATES INNOVATION.

WE PROVIDE A HUB OF CONNECTIVITY.



We partner across fields with the communities and professionals who are driven to make a difference.

A PIONEERING MISSION FOR DECARBONIZATION

Concordia was awarded $123 million from Canada First Research Excellence Fund for **Electrifying Society: Towards Decarbonized Resilient Communities**. The investment will amplify expertise in key areas such as electrification, smart buildings and net zero communities, helping Canada achieve its goal of carbon neutrality by 2050.

EXCELLENCE IN IMMIGRATION RESEARCH

Concordia is part of the Toronto Metropolitan University-led **Migrant Integration in the mid-21st Century: Bridging Divides**, funded from the Canada First Research Excellence Fund. This investment will fund quantitative and qualitative research in relation to immigration and integration, in particular along the lines of comparative politics and public policy.

A THRIVING NEXT-GEN SCIENCE HUB

Concordia's Science Hub houses aquatic biology, microscopy, cellular imaging, nanoscience, bioprocessing, and chemical and materials engineering. This expansion of the Richard J. Renaud Science Complex also welcomes young entrepreneurs working with Concordia's District 3 Innovation Hub who will help maximize industry scale-up opportunities at the new site.

EXCELLENCE IN BEHAVOURAL MEDICINE

Co-founded by Simon Bacon, professor, Department of Health, Kinesiology and Applied Physiology, the **Montreal Behavioural Medicine Centre** is a joint Concordia–UQAM–CIUSSS du Nord-de-l'Île-de-Montréal academic research and training centre that specializes in primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention of chronic disease through the promotion of healthy lifestyles at the individual and community levels.



"I'm studying plant science to create an agricultural revolution."

– **Jin Suk Lee**, professor, Department of Biology;
Concordia University Research Chair in Plant Science and Biotechnology

OUR ALUMNI ARE MAKING AN IMPACT.

AT HOME AND ABROAD.


E. ANNIE PROULX


MARK KELLEY


MICHAEL MEANEY


GWEN TOLBART


MUTSUMI TAKAHASHI


NAVEED IRSHAD



"I loved my time at Concordia. It was a collaborative effort and crystallized the idea of teamwork for me."

– **Patrice Vermette**, BA 23, winner of the 2022 Academy Award for best production design on Dune; received an Oscar nomination in the same category for Dune: Part II in 2024

Concordians have garnered major recognition. Here is a sample of our celebrated thinkers and makers.

- **Samira Nasr**, BA 93, editor-in-chief, Harper's Bazaar
- **Howard Alper**, BSc 63, LLD 07, chair, Canada's Science, Technology and Innovation Council; past president, Royal Society of Canada
- **Orit Blankrot**, BA 04, senior vice-president, business and legal affairs, NBC Entertainment Networks
- **Robert Calderisi**, BA 68, internationally recognized authority on the politics of foreign aid and African economic development and former Rhodes Scholar
- **Gary N. Chateram**, BSc 00, BComm 02, MSc 05, senior vice-president, head of retail, Mackenzie Investments. Gary N. Chateram, BSc 00, BComm 02, MSc 05, senior vice-president, head of retail, Mackenzie Investments
- **Sir John Daniel**, OC, MA 96, university administrator and pioneer of open learning and distance education in Canada and around the world
- **Nick Farkas**, BA 90, vice-president of concerts and events at Evenko, co-founder of popular music festival Osheaga
- **Rana Ghorayeb**, BA 97, MEng 01, president and chief executive officer at Otéra Capital, a division of CDPQ
- **Naveed Irshad**, BSc 93, president and CEO of Manulife Canada
- **Barry Julien**, BA 94, writer and producer, *The Late Show with Stephen Colbert*, *The Colbert Report*, *This Hour Has 22 Minutes*
- **Mark Kelley**, BA 85, International Emmy Award-winning journalist and a six-time Gemini/Canadian Screen Award winner
- **Carol McQueen**, BA 95, Concordia Rhodes Scholar; director general, Settlement and Integration Policy, with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada
- **Michael Meaney**, CM, CQ, FRSC, BSc 75, MA 77, PhD 82, senior scientist, Canadian Institute for Advanced Research; associate director, Douglas Hospital Research Centre; professor, Departments of Psychiatry and Neurology and Neurosurgery, McGill University
- **Mohan Munasinghe**, MA 75, Nobel Peace Prize winner, vice-chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- **Nathalie Petrowski**, BA 76, journalist, critic, columnist, screenwriter and novelist
- **Annie Proulx**, MA 73, LLD 99, Pulitzer Prize- and National Book Award-winning author, The Shipping News (1993) and "Brokeback Mountain"
- **Rebecca Reeve Henderson**, MA 07, founder of Rsquared Communication, a top tech PR firm serving multiple Silicon Valley clients
- **Ed Rosenthal**, BA 74, founder, Florikan ESA
- **Mutsumi Takahashi**, BA 79, MBA 95, LLD 13, chief news anchor, CTV Montreal News
- **Gwen Tolbart**, BA 95, Emmy-winning broadcast journalist; was a recipient of President Obama's Lifetime Achievement Award for completing over 4,000 hours of community service
- **Georges P. Vanier**, BA 1906, Governor General of Canada
- **Kathleen Zellner**, BA 74, lawyer known for her extensive work advocating for the wrongfully convicted, most notably in the Netflix series *How to Make a Murderer*

THE CAMPAIGN FOR CONCORDIA: NEXT-GEN NOW

The Faculty of Fine Arts is one of five faculties at Concordia. Along with the Faculty of Arts and Science, Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science, John Molson School of Business and School of Health, we define what it means to be a next-gen university.

To respond to the grand challenges of our time, we participated in the university's most ambitious fundraising effort ever: The Campaign for Concordia: Next-Gen Now.



"I track elephant migration. Even though you're travelling far and it's dangerous, you have to put your fears aside. You have to care about wildlife, conservation and biodiversity — but we also do this to make sure knowledge is out there."

– **Robert Weladji**, professor, Member of the Quebec Centre for Biodiversity Science, studies conflicts between Cameroon villagers and elephants

RECORD-SETTING SUPPORT

Thanks to our generous community — alumni, students, faculty, staff, retirees, corporate partners and foundations — the Campaign for Concordia: Next-Gen Now raised $365 million. Some 8,000 donors, annually, contributed to help the university surpass our original $250 million campaign goal.

Our historic undertaking enabled us to support Concordia students and faculty talent; research and engagement; innovation and experiential learning; as well as tools and spaces. Thank you!



To prepare for what's next, we need you. Be part of Canada's next-generation university as we change education for a changing world. Learn more: ***concordia.ca/campaign***.

HOW DO WE GET FROM GOOD TO GREAT?

PLANNED GIFT TO STUDENTS

$30M

Largest donation in Concordia history (2018)

SHIFT CENTRE FOR SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

$10M

Mirella & Lino Saputo Foundation and the Amelia & Lino Saputo Jr. Foundation (2019)

FACULTY OF FINE ARTS

$5.6M

Peter N. Thomson Family Trust (2019)

GINA CODY SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

$15M

First faculty of its kind in Canada named for a woman (2018)

JONATHAN WENER CENTRE FOR REAL ESTATE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

$10M

Jonathan Wener, BComm 71, Concordia chancellor, and Susan Wener (2018)

SUPPORTERS MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE.

Record-setting support from our community to the Campaign for Concordia is transforming the university and society.

PAST GIFTS TO CONCORDIA HAVE BUILT A LEGACY:

SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY
$5M
Molson Foundation (2018)

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS
$6M
France and André Desmarais, BComm 78, LLD 07 (2025)

SCHOOL OF IRISH STUDIES
$5M
Canadian Irish Studies Foundation (2019-2024)

VIDEO GAME RESEARCH AND STUDENT SUPPORT
$2M
Behaviour Interactive (2023)

BURSARIES FOR RURAL STUDENTS
$2M
Joyce Family Foundation (2023)

SCHOOL OF HEALTH
$5M
Christine Lengvari, BSc 72 (2024)

JOHN MOLSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
One of Canada's top-ranked business schools

MEL HOPPENHEIM SCHOOL OF CINEMA
Canada's largest and top-ranked film school

RICHARD J. RENAUD SCIENCE COMPLEX
This state-of-the-art teaching and research facility changed the face of Loyola Campus

GOODMAN INSTITUTE
Offers one of the only MBA programs to integrate the CFA® Program into its curriculum



"My gift is for a better society by supporting the next generation of engineers and computer scientists who will develop the technologies of tomorrow."

– **Gina Cody**, MEng 81, PhD 89, chancellor and co-chair, Campaign for Concordia

QUESTION, CREATE,



"How can the documentation, analysis, and creative activation of Jewish – and other minority - music be mobilized towards more equity- and diversity-oriented constructions of heritage in the public sphere?"

MIRANDA CROWDUS, professor, Department of Religions and Cultures



"The engAGE Living Lab for Empowered Aging is about intergenerational exchange, and it is necessary now, as there is a dearth of younger people entering into areas related to gerontology and care."

KIM SAWCHUK, professor, Communications Studies, director of Ageing, Communication, Technologies: Experiencing a Digital World In Later Life (ACT)



"My research group wants to learn how to better manage urban green spaces to contribute to healthier communities, fight climate change and conserve biodiversity."

CARLY ZITER, professor, Department of Biology; Concordia University Research Chair in Urban Ecology and Sustainability



"My research looks at the ways uneven relations of power shape how we understand environmental problems and societal responses."

VIJAY KOLINJIVADI, professor, School of Community and Public Affairs



"I look at the ways in which privilege, power, identity and culture can be examined through the art of performance."

EMER O'TOOLE, professor, School of Irish Studies



"My research asks why women's choices to live religious lives need to be understood and what role has social media played in shaping this choice."

ARWA HUSSAIN, PhD student, Department of Religions and Cultures; Concordia Public Scholar 2022-23

LEAD.



"I want to understand how brain health is affected by vascular disease in aging men and women, and whether exercise can help protect the brain."

CLAUDINE GAUTHIER, professor, Department of Physics



"Social innovation has a place in the justice system."

JUDGE MORTON S. MINC, BA67, jurist-in-residence



"What impact does technology have on people of different ages?"

GIULIANA CUCINELLI, professor, Department of Education and co-director of the Participatory Media cluster



"I study how urban infrastructure can contribute to social inequalities and how we can develop infrastructure that is more sustainable and just."

MARTIN DANYLUK, professor, Department of Urban Planning



"In my observations of makerspaces, I find it absolutely fascinating that people can make objects out of recycled materials or 3D print objects that stem from their imagination."

ANN-LOUISE DAVIDSON, professor, Department of Education; Concordia University Research Chair, Maker Culture



"I'm on a mission to preserve the Mohawk language."

STEVE BONSPIEL, part-time faculty member and former journalist-in-residence, Department of Journalism



"I am leading a collaborative journalism project between Concordia University and Kahnawake Survival School, which sees Concordia students mentoring Kanien'kehá:ka secondary students as they produce original pieces of journalism."

KRISTY SNELL, BA67, academic director of the Institute for Inclusive, Investigative, and Innovative Journalism (I3J)

CONCORDIA
BY THE NUMBERS

20%
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

130+
research chairs and professorships

4,735
CENTRE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENTS

8,345
GRADUATE STUDENTS

35,577
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS



ANNUALLY, CONCORDIA CONFERS MORE THAN:

2,700
GRADUATE DEGREES

5,600
UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES



"We are responding to the urgent need to bring expertise from across the social sciences to answer economic, political, social, psychological and many other pressing questions about immigration and the importance of training the future leading voices in this field."

– **Mireille Paquet**, director of IRMS and associate professor of political science

50,000
STUDENTS

15
ALUMNI CHAPTERS



2,250+
FACULTY MEMBERS AND LIBRARIANS



25+
RESEARCH UNITS

SPONSORED RESEARCH INCOME

$61.9M+



270,000**
ALUMNI AROUND THE WORLD

** As of Fall 2025

FIGURES REFLECT THE 2024-25 ACADEMIC YEAR. *INCLUDES FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME FACULTY (INCLUDING CONTINUING EDUCATION) AND LIBRARIANS.



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- Discover what Concordia achieved first in Montreal, Quebec, Canada and the world: ***concordia.ca/concordiafirsts***.
- Learn about our university's notable leaders, prominent researchers, entrepreneurs, artists, athletes and thinkers at ***concordia.ca/greatconcordians***.

Share your **#CUpride** and **#CUalumni** stories via ***@ConcordiaAlumni***

Learn how Concordians are moving forever forward.

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