

A NEXT-GENERATION UNIVERSITY

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As a next-generation university, Concordia sets its sights further and more broadly than others. We align the quality of learning opportunities to larger trends and substantial challenges facing society. We pursue technology without losing sight of our humanity. We find inspiration through narrative and dialogue.



PROUDLY ANCHORED IN MONTREAL



- Concordia's core values stem from those long prized by its founding institutions, **Loyola College** and **Sir George Williams University**, which merged in 1974
- Concordia adopted the motto of the city of Montreal, **Concordia salus**, which speaks to well-being through harmony
- 70%** of Concordia's student body comes from Quebec; **19%** is French-speaking

CONCORDIA AT A GLANCE*



- 11th** largest university in Canada, **third** largest in Quebec
- 10,000+** international students from more than **150** countries
- About **400 undergraduate** and **200 graduate programs**
- 88%** of final-year undergraduates satisfied or very satisfied with their decision to attend Concordia (*Canadian University Survey Consortium*)
- 84%** of graduate students rated the quality of their Concordia academic experience as good, very good or excellent (*Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey*)
- 83%** of graduate students rated the quality of their overall Concordia experience as good, very good or excellent (*Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey*)

DOUBLE OUR RESEARCH



- Institutional research income **+66%** increase in the last 10 years
- Number of scholarly publications **+69%** increase in the last 10 years
- Number of publications per professor **+59%** increase in the last 8 years
- +69%** of research publications over 10 years; **3rd highest** among Canada's 11 Comprehensive universities

- Concordia's **District 3** is an innovation hub that brings together corporations, government, research, and academia to move innovators from idea to impact with confidence. Since 2015, D3 has
 - held **529** workshops and events
 - helped create **848** jobs
 - generated **\$26.8M** in start-up financing
 - coached **529** start-ups
- KnowledgeOne has provided an outstanding online e-learning and content serving clients such as Saputo, Ubisoft and the United Nations, among others, for a decade
- The SHIFT Centre for Social Transformation develops a network of community and university partners responding to systemic injustice, inequity, unsustainability and other societal challenges
- The Applied Science Hub provides state-of-the-art research facilities for research fields including agriculture, health and sustainable development



TEACH FOR TOMORROW



- Registrations in courses with experiential learning content: **+57%** increase in the last 5 years
- STEM disciplines with more than **50%** female enrolment: Psychology, Exercise Science, Biology, Geography, Chemistry
- Total \$ allocated to student support: **+218%** increase in the last 12 years

GROW SMARTLY



- Student enrolment has seen a steady upward trend since 2010:
 - +3%** undergrad
 - +35%** graduate
 - +40%** continuing education
- Retention past first year: **88%**
- International student enrolment: **+101%** since 2011
- 2nd** in the country for % of graduate students from outside Canada
- Visiting scholars and in-resident appointments have increased by **138%** since 2013
- Overall dollars to Indigenous students have increased by **700%** in the last 7 years

TAKE PRIDE

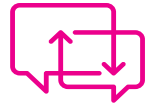
CONCORDIA RANKINGS*

Concordia and its programs place among the top universities in Canada and the world in international rankings.

- #1** in North America under 50 years (*QS World University Rankings Top 50 Under 50*)
- #1** in Canada under 50 years (*THE Young University Rankings*)
- #2** in Canada/Top 100 in world, Art & Design (*QS World University Rankings by Subject*)
- #1** in Canada/Top 100 in world, Quality Education (*THE Impact Rankings*)
- #1** in Canada/Top 150 in world, Communication (*Shanghai Ranking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects*)
- #4** in Canada/Top 100 in world, MBA (*Bloomberg Businessweek*)
- #2** in Canada (Medical Doctoral and Comprehensive), Percentage of graduate students from outside Canada (*Maclean's University Rankings*)
- #2** in Canada (Comprehensive), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada grants, average size and number (*Maclean's University Rankings*)



SUSTAINABILITY AT CONCORDIA



Concordia is deeply committed to sustainability, an issue we consider an important priority for the university community and beyond. In 2020, the university signed on for the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), joining the effort to tackle social, environmental and economic issues, and introduced its Sustainable Action Plan. The plan's objectives include becoming carbon neutral by 2040, allocating more resources for research aiming to fight climate change, and increase the availability of environmental and sustainability education.

Our nearly **500 projects** with a sustainability-related focus over the years have led to such accomplishments as:

- STARS Gold rating
- Vélosympathique Silver rating at Sir George Williams and Loyola campuses
- Being certified a Fair Trade campus
- Three LEED-certified buildings, with a fourth nearing completion
- 80% of waste from offices diverted from landfill due to our Low Waste Office initiative
- Being ranked the most energy efficient Quebec university for 21 consecutive years.

FUNDING

- Concordia was awarded the Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Smart, Sustainable and Resilient Communities and Cities — the only CERC focussing on cities in Canada
- In 2019, Concordia became the first university in Canada to issue a sustainable bond
- A sustainable bond provides environment and social benefits as defined by the SDGs
- Net proceeds from the sale of the sustainable bonds will be used to cover Concordia's \$25.3M share of the \$62M invested into the new Applied Science Hub

INVESTMENTS

- Concordia Foundation is a United Nations Principles of Responsible Investment (UN PRI) member
- Fully integrated Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG) Investment Policy
- Social impact investments included in the Investment Policy and aligned with the SDGs



FAST 2019 FACTS 2020

118 RESEARCH CHAIRS

REVENUES OPERATING FUND
\$537,348,000
SPONSORED RESEARCH INCOME*
\$61,899,000*

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ALUMNI CHAPTERS IN CITIES ACROSS NORTH AMERICA, EUROPE, AFRICA, THE MIDDLE EAST AND ASIA

4,812
CENTRE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENTS

9,604
GRADUATE STUDENTS

36,473
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS



NINE DIRECTIONS FOR A NEXT-GENERATION UNIVERSITY

1 DOUBLE OUR RESEARCH
Pursue bold goals in research that reflect our talents and our ambition to tackle big challenges.

2 TEACH FOR TOMORROW
Deliver a next-generation education that's connected, transformative, and fit for the times.

3 GET YOUR HANDS DIRTY
Use rich experiences outside the classroom to deepen learning and effect change.

4 MIX IT UP
Build agile structures that facilitate intellectual mixing and internal collaboration.

5 EXPERIMENT BOLDLY
Be inventive and enterprising in creating tomorrow's university.

6 GROW SMARTLY
Add capacity where our strengths and emerging enrolment demand intersect.

7 EMBRACE THE CITY, EMBRACE THE WORLD
Achieve public impact through research and learning.

8 GO BEYOND
Push past the status quo and go the extra mile for members of our community.

9 TAKE PRIDE
Celebrate successes and be purposeful about building a legacy.

CONCORDIA CONFERRED:

2,399
GRADUATE DEGREES

5,624
UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

22%

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

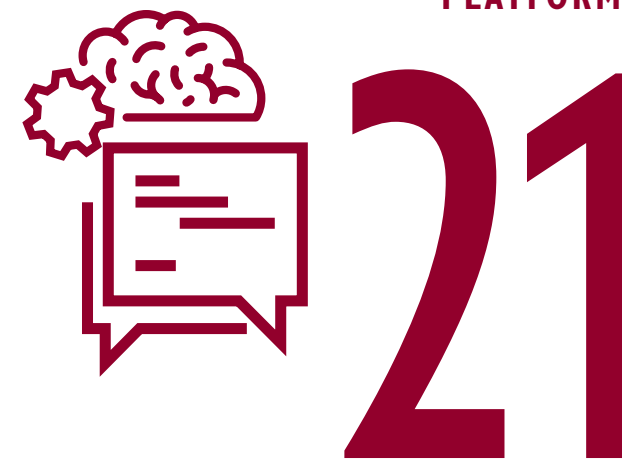
220,000 ALUMNI AROUND THE WORLD

2,419
FACULTY MEMBERS**

6,639
TOTAL EMPLOYEES

UNIVERSITY-RECOGNIZED RESEARCH UNITS/ INFRASTRUCTURE PLATFORMS

50,889 STUDENTS



LEARN HOW CONCORDIA'S MOST AMBITIOUS CAMPAIGN TO DATE WILL EMPOWER TOMORROW'S LEADERS: [CONCORDIA.CA/CAMPAIGN](https://concordia.ca/campaign)

*2019-20 data, except for Sponsored Research income, which pertains to 2018-19
** Includes full-time and part-time faculty (including continuing education) and librarians

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