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GUIDE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

https://bio.umontreal.ca

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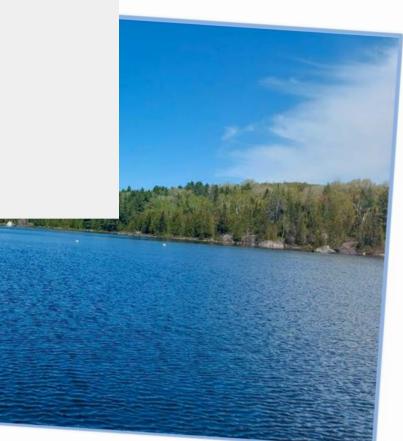


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STUDIES

What you need to know to meet all your program obligations

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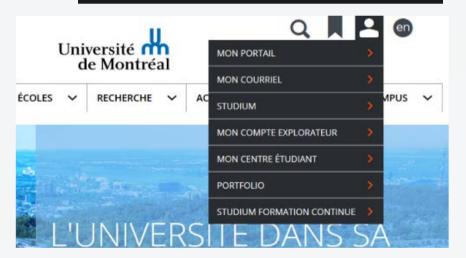
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CENTRE ÉTUDIANT

Access the student center



Check your registration

Consultation only; Your responsibility: check your registration status (SPT or RDC) and courses

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| | Votre historique cou 👻 🛞 |
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Tuition fees

Deadlines :

Fall: October 15 Winter: February 15 Summer: June 15

https://registraire.umontreal.ca/

Finances

Votre compte

Interrogation compte

Aide financière

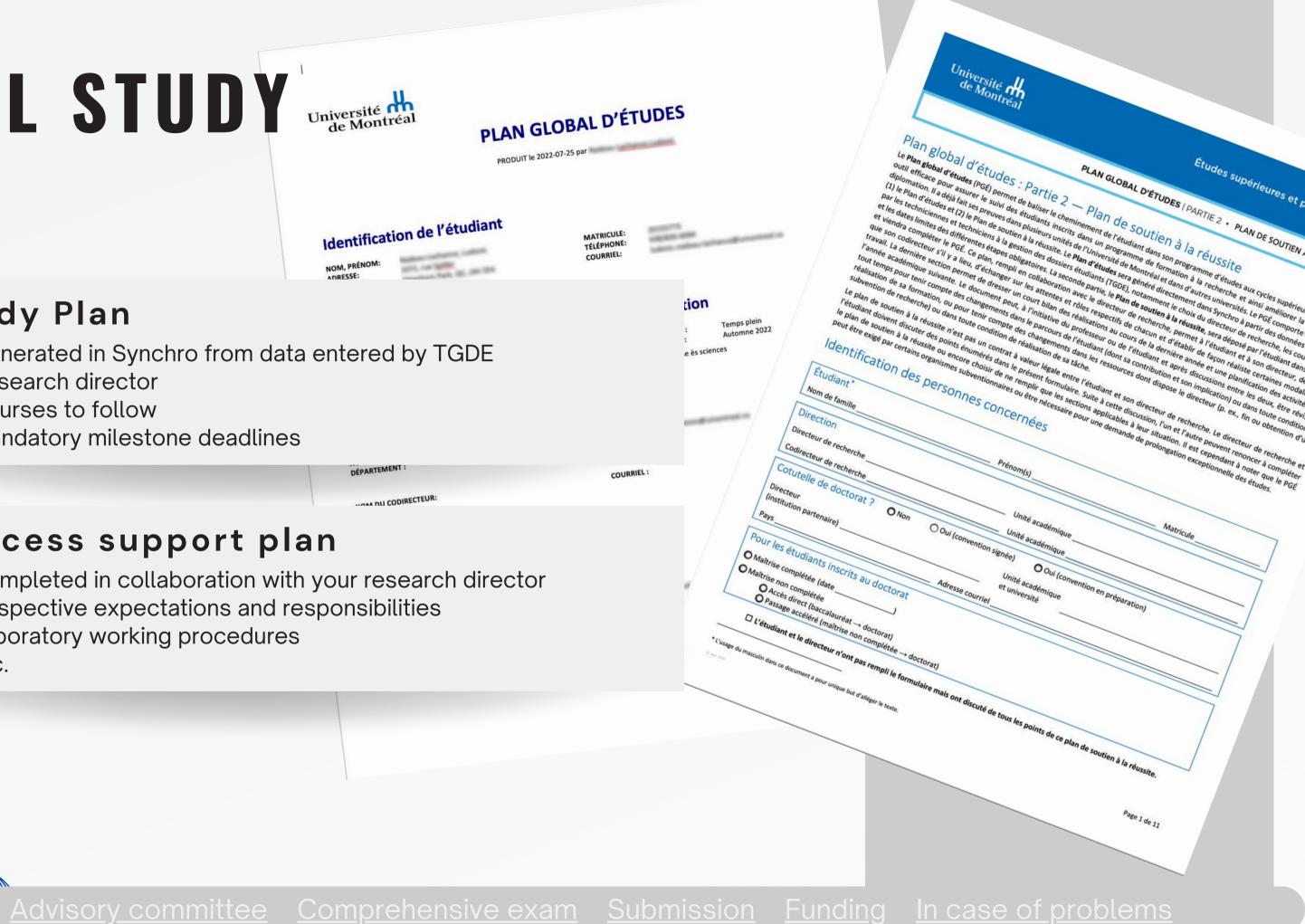
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Activité compte

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GLOBAL STUDY Université de Montréal PLAN





Study Plan

- Generated in Synchro from data entered by TGDE
- Research director
- Courses to follow
- Mandatory milestone deadlines

Success support plan

- Completed in collaboration with your research director
- Respective expectations and responsibilities
- Laboratory working procedures
- Etc.

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You don't need to fill in

every section. Only what is relevant to your situation

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COURSE SELECTION

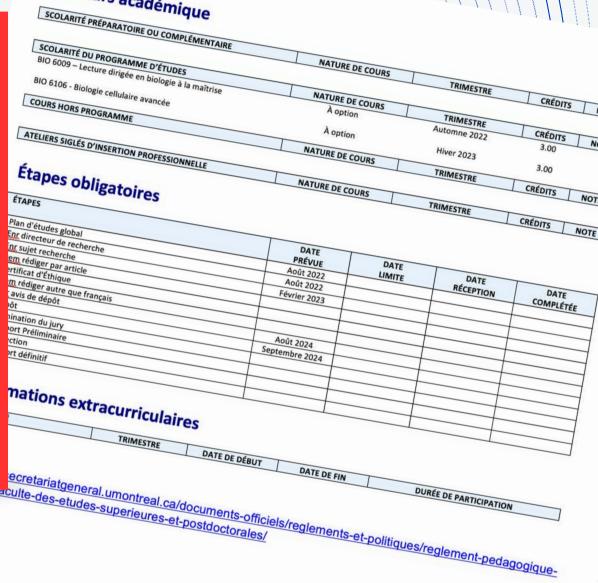
- From the study plan
- To be completed with your supervisor
- List all courses to be taken during your program
- Deposit on your student center
- If any changes, contact TGDE



A This document will enable Tiana to register you for your courses.

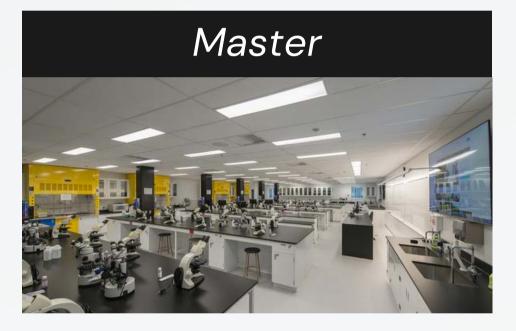
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MANDATORY REGISTRATIO **Full-time registration period**



- Year 1
 - 6 graduate course credits
 - At least 3 BIO credits
 - Initial meeting with advisory committee
 - Registration of research topic

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 - At least 3 BIO credits
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- Year 2
 - Comprehensive exam (ideally in 4th or 5th trimester)

PhD



RÉUSSIR AU-DE DE SA FORMAL

Programme de développement professionnel reposant sur huit compétences transversales visant à faciliter la transition des étudiant(e)s des cycles supérieurs vers le monde de l'emploi.

SAISONS

Activités

Ateliers

École d'été

Projet emploi

https://saisonsesp.umontreal.ca

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Learning French

• Twinning and mentoring in French as a second language

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• Courses, training and language support



TUITION FEES

Quebec students

+ French and French-speaking Belgians

• Master and PhD: 1 440,45\$

Canadian students

- Master: 4 495,95\$
- PhD: 1 440,45\$

International students • Master: 9 864,00\$

- PhD: 8 854,20\$

Writing terms

- Master and PhD
 - Fall and Winter: 512,32\$
 - Summer: 479,11\$

Coûts des études

Les droits de scolarité dans les établissements d'enseignement québécois sont réglementés en fonction du statut légal au Canada de l'étudiant. La confirmation ...

📕 Bureau du registraire

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EXEMPTION SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Master

Partial exemption from additional tuition fees

3 terms

10 347,75 \$/an

You don't have to apply for it.

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PhD

Full waiver of additional tuition fees

6 terms

22 241,25 \$/an

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FAST TRACK PHD

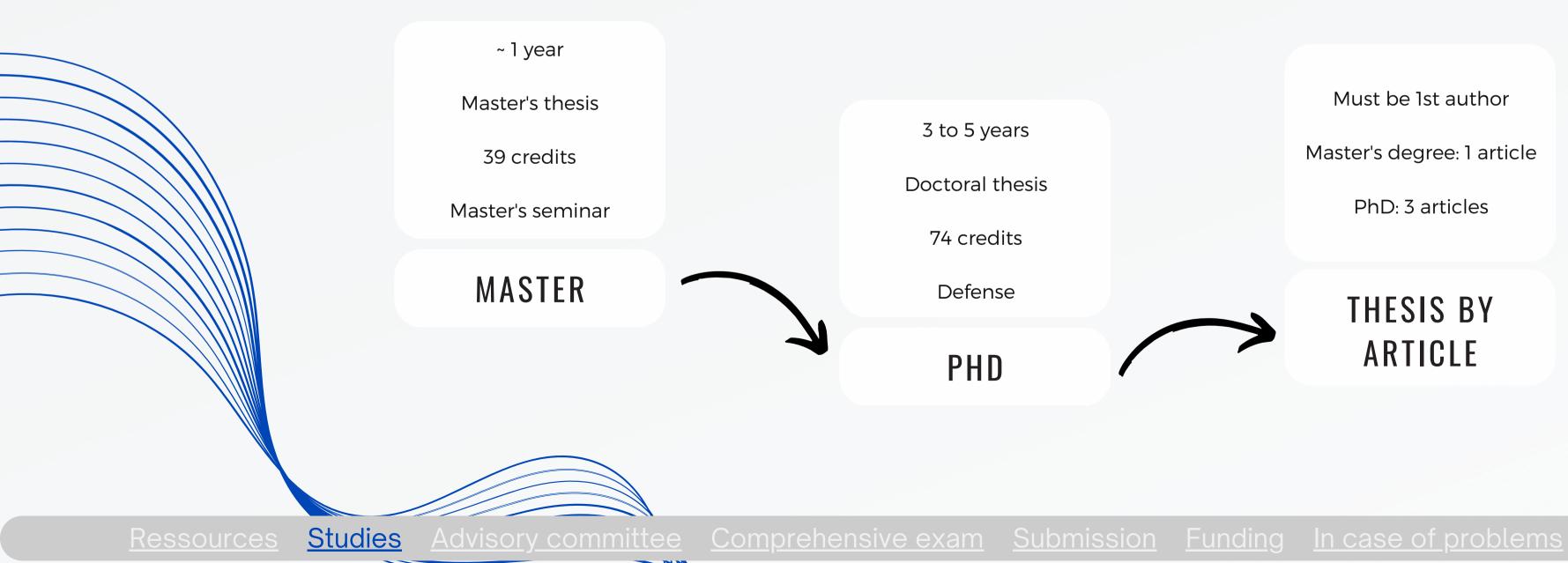
From master to PhD, without writing a master's thesis

- courses completed
- grade point average > 3,3/4,3
- research topic registered
- advisory committee authorization

1 \$7000 scholarship for 2 years if before end of first year

RESEARCH AND WRITING

Most of your graduate work is research. The results of your projects are recorded in a thesis or dissertation. This is the main objective of your graduate studies.



Must be 1st author

Master's degree: 1 article

PhD: 3 articles

THESIS BY ARTICLE

INTEGRITY

Plagiarism and fraud

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Animal ethics

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Responsible research conduct

Scientific integrity

DURATION OF STUDIES



Masters 2 ans

PhD 5 ans

NORMALE



Maximum 1 year

Application required in synchro, with justification

EXTENSION

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Maximum 1 year, not automatic Letter of support from research director EXCEPTIONAL **EXTENSION**

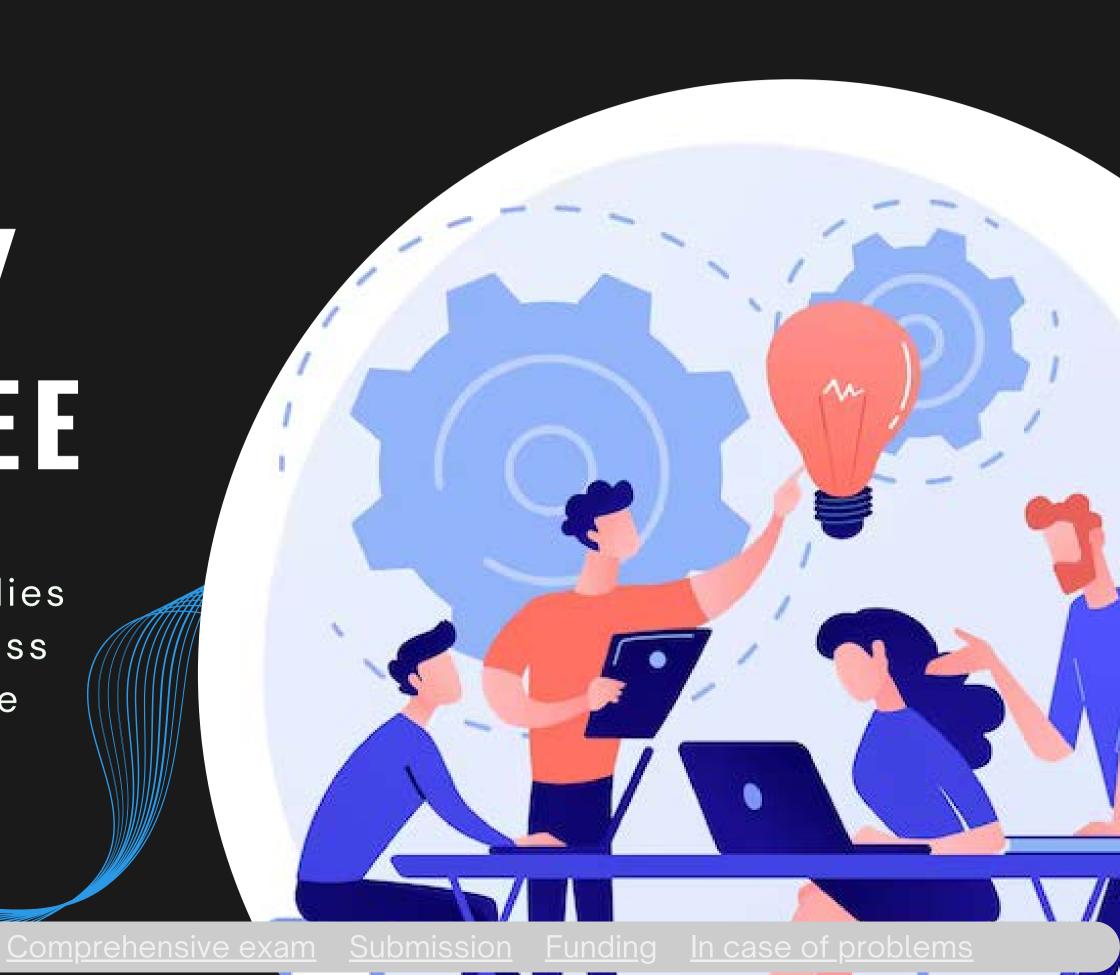
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ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- accompanies you throughout your studies
- monitors your progress
- provides constructive feedback

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FORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE

Formed in the first term In agreement with your research supervisor

Advisory committee

Composition

- 1. Resrearch supervisor [and cosupervisor]
- 2. Chairperson
 - Must be professor in the department
- 3. Member
 - Researcher capable of directing research work

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INITIAL MEETING

OBJECTIVES

- Project feasibility and relevance
- School follow-up
- Evaluation of resources
- Authorization of subject registration
- Recommendation for accelerated passage
- Recommendation for comprehensive exam

WRITTEN DOCUMENT

- To be provided one week before the Oral presentation of project (20 minutes) meeting
- Description of research project
 - Introduction
 - Hypotheses and objectives
 - Methodology
 - Timetable
- Maximum 15 pages at Master's level
- Maximum 20 pages at doctoral level

1 This meeting is not an exam!

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COMMITTEE MEETING

- Discussion with committee members
- Deliberation by committee members
- Meeting with student without supervisor

ANNUAL MEETINGS

IN THE LAST TERM OF EACH WRITING YEAR

Master's: term 6 PhD: terms 9, 12, 15, etc. Objective: to check research progress

The student submits a brief document (1-2 pages): progress, problems, revised timetable, etc.

Committee report required to obtain extension

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COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

- For doctoral students only
- verify the candidate's knowledge in his/her field of research
- assess research aptitude

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COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

JURY

- Research supervisor
 - and cosupervisor
- Chair
 - Professor in the department
- Member
 - Researcher capable of directing research work
- Must be different from the advisory committee

WRITTEN EXAMINATION

- À fournir un mois avant l'examen
- ≠ advisory committee, but may be inspired by it
 - Introduction
 - Literature review
 - Issues
 - Preliminary results
 - Timeline
 - Organization of the thesis
- Maximum 30 pages

⚠ This is an exam!

ORAL EXAMINATION

- A single question determined by the jury
- Submitted one month before the exam
- Topic related to but distinct from the thesis
- Subject of oral presentation at time of examination

EXAMINATION PROCEDURE



Part 1

- Presentation of up to 20 minutes to answer the oral examination question
 - Critical review of relevant scientific articles
- Questions from the jury on the concepts presented
- The total duration of this part of the test should not exceed 90 minutes.



Part 2

- minutes.

• Brief presentation of the written examination • Questions from the jury on the written examination • To test knowledge of disciplines related to the field of research • The total duration of this part of the test should not exceed 90

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EVALUATION CRITERIA



ORAL TEST

- Ability to summarize the problem
- Originality of approach
- Integration of theoretical concepts
- Knowledge of analysis techniques
- Overall quality of presentation (oral communication skills)

WRITTEN TEST

- problem
- objectives

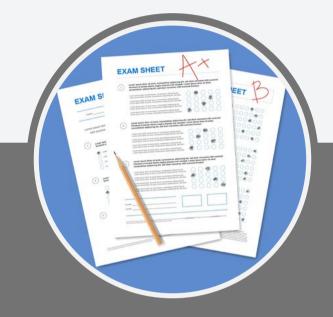
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• Demonstration of the relevance of the

• Review and knowledge of the literature • Clear expression of hypotheses and

• Clarity and conciseness of project • Overall quality of text (ability to communicate in writing)

DECISION



FIRST ATTEMPT

- Success
- Postponement
 - Serious deficiencies found
 - Reopening planned within six months
- Failure
 - Excluded from program

RESUMPTION

- Success
- Failure

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• Expulsion from the program

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SUBMITTING YOUR THESIS

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Notice of submission

Two months before submission Appointment of jury 1.Research supervisor 2.Chair

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- 3.Member 4.External
 - examiner (PhD only)

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First submission

Complete document submitted to TGDE for jury review

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JURY EVALUATION

Possible decisions

- Accepted • Accepted with minor corrections
 - You have one month to make corrections
 - The jury president evaluates the final version
 - Accepted with major corrections
 - Up to 6 months for corrections
 - Jury assesses whether corrections are satisfactory



Defence

- PhD only
- The defence is public
- title

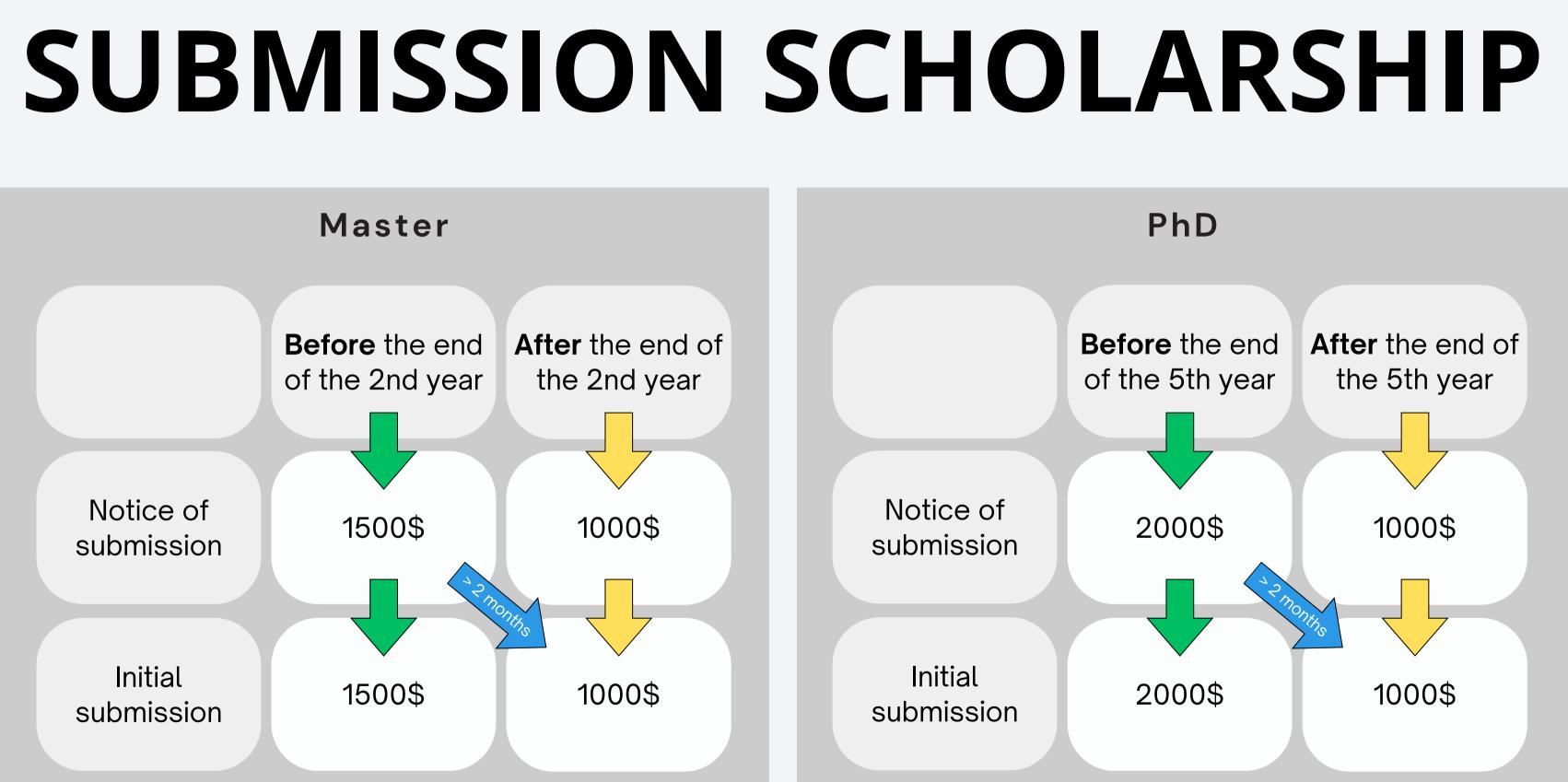


Dépôt final dans papyrus

• Once the jury has accepted the thesis, it recommends its defense.

• At the end of the defence, the jury decides whether to award the

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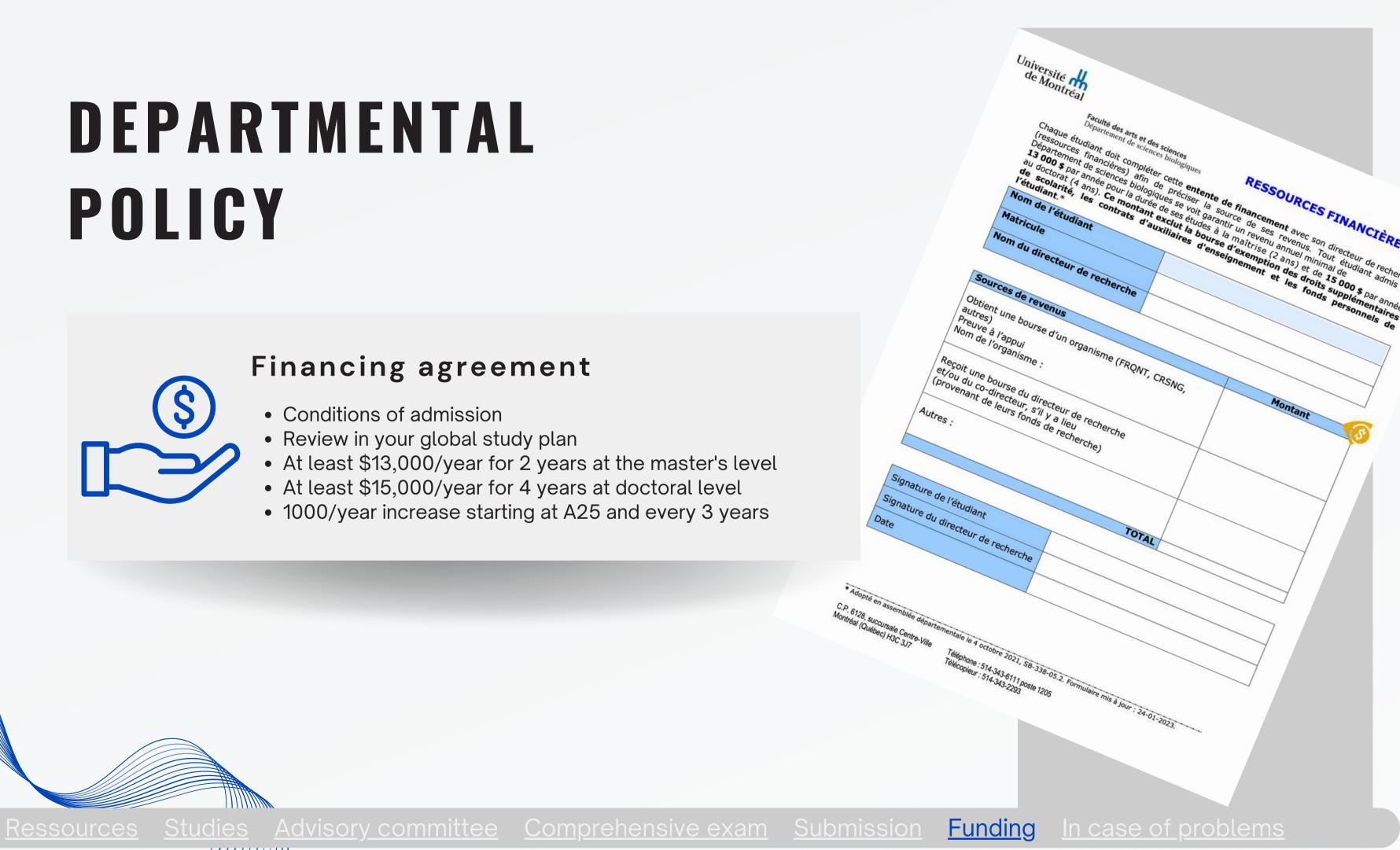
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DEPARTMENTAL POLICY



- Conditions of admission
- Review in your global study plan
- At least \$13,000/year for 2 years at the master's level
- At least \$15,000/year for 4 years at doctoral level
- 1000/year increase starting at A25 and every 3 years



SCHOLARSHIPS

Fonds de recherche Nature et technologies Québec 🏶 🏶

FRQNT

- Master's Research Scholarship 20000\$ maximum 6 terms
- Doctoral Research Award 25000\$ maximum 12 terms
- Date:
 - Application, October 3, 2023
 - Results April 2024



NSERC

- Master's Research Scholarship
 - 17500\$ maximum 3 terms
 - Application December 1, 2023
- Doctoral Research Award
 - 21000\$ ou 35000\$
 - maximum 9 terms
 - Application, September 20, 2023



Consult the <u>directory of scholarships</u>

- scholarships.
- Arlabosse
- Stay tuned!

U of M

- ESP Excellence Scholarships
- Graduation scholarships
- Departmental scholarships
- Several specialized scholarships

• The FAS and the department also offer some

• All announcements are sent to you by e-mail by Olivier

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

WHEN WRITING APPLICATIONS

- Follow the instructions to the letter
 - They may vary from year to year
- Pay attention to deadlines
 - Internal deadlines precede those announced by organizations
- If there is an internal selection process, your complete file, including letters of support, must be sent to Olivier

• Be careful with your applications; don't leave out any sections. • Committees must review many applications before selecting only a few. Get help with your application: https://esp.umontreal.ca/ce-quil-fautsavoir/financement/clinique-des-bourses/

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TEACHING ASSISTANTS



Work experience

Personal development

Additional income

WHY

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Master 20,62\$/h

PhD 22,74\$/h

HOW MUCH

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Quarterly announcements

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IN CASE OF PROBLEMS

- Financial problems arising from your research direction
 - Advisory committee, AECBUM, Head of Graduate Programs, chair
- Respect for Persons Office
 - <u>https://respect.umontreal.ca/accueil/</u>
- Student Life Services
 - <u>http://www.sae.umontreal.ca/</u>
- Psychological Support
 - <u>https://toutlemondeadesbas.ca</u>
 - <u>https://vieetudiante.umontreal.ca/sante-bien-etre/soutien-</u> psychologique/consultation-psychologie
 - <u>https://vieetudiante.umontreal.ca/sante-bien-etre/soutien-psychologique/reseau-</u> <u>sentinelles</u>
- For serious prejudice
 - <u>http://www.ombuds.umontreal.ca</u>

QUESTIONS?

Thank you for your attention and good luck with your studies! Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.



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