HOUSING IN MONTRÉAL - ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

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What to know about renting an apartment in Montréal

Renting a room in a shared apartment is usually cheaper than renting an entire apartment for yourself.

The apartment starts at 3 1/2 and features distinct areas for the bedroom, living room, and kitchen. As the number of enclosed rooms increases, so does the overall size of the apartment.

3 1/2
1 closed bedroom, living room and kitchen

4 1/2
2 closed bedrooms, living room and kitchen

5 1/2
3 closed bedrooms, living room and kitchen

6 1/2
4 closed bedrooms, living room and kitchen

Before starting your apartment search, you could benefit by checking out the following websites:

Éducaloi rental housing guide
Likehome.info

DID YOU KNOW?

Furthermore, here are resources concerning the kind of information landlords could ask, prior to signing the lease: Home info.

Regarding deposits and payments, you can find more information here! Carefully read the section called "The lessor cannot".

Popular neighborhoods for HEC Montréal students

The prices indicated are averages per month for furnished apartments.

1. Plateau-Mont-Royal

- Price: $1 800 - $2 500
- Metro stations: Mont-Royal, Sherbrooke (orange line)
- Advantages: Beautiful European architecture, French quarter, cheap supermarkets (PA supermarket), near restaurants and coffee shops.

2.Côte-des-Neiges

- Price: $1 100- $1 800
- Metro stations: Côtes-Des-Neiges, Université-De-Montréal (blue line)
- Advantages: Great student life, everything is in proximity, very close to nature and the famous Mont-Royal Park.

3.Downtown

- Price : $1 600 - $2 300
- Metro stations: Peel, Mc Gill, Bonaventure, Lucien-L'Allier (green or orange line)
- Advantages: Beautiful American architecture, close to shopping centers, borough where everyone goes to happy hour.

4.Notre-Dame-De-Grâce

- Price: $1 100 - $1900
- Metro stations: Villa-Maria, Vendome (orange line)
- Advantages: This up-and-coming area is known for the Monkland street full of restaurants and cafés, but it is also residential.

5.Outremont

- Price: $1 700 - $2 400
- Metro stations: Édouard-Montpetit, Outremont (blue line)
- Advantages: Distinguished by its turn-of-the-20th-century architecture, its urban forest and its green parks that exude calm and tranquility.

6.Villeray-Parc Extension

- Price: $1 200 - $2 000
- Metro stations: Jean-Talon, De Castelnau, Fabre, Jarry (blue or orange line)
- Advantages: Italian quarter, the famous Jean-Talon market, lots of parks, high cultural diversity.

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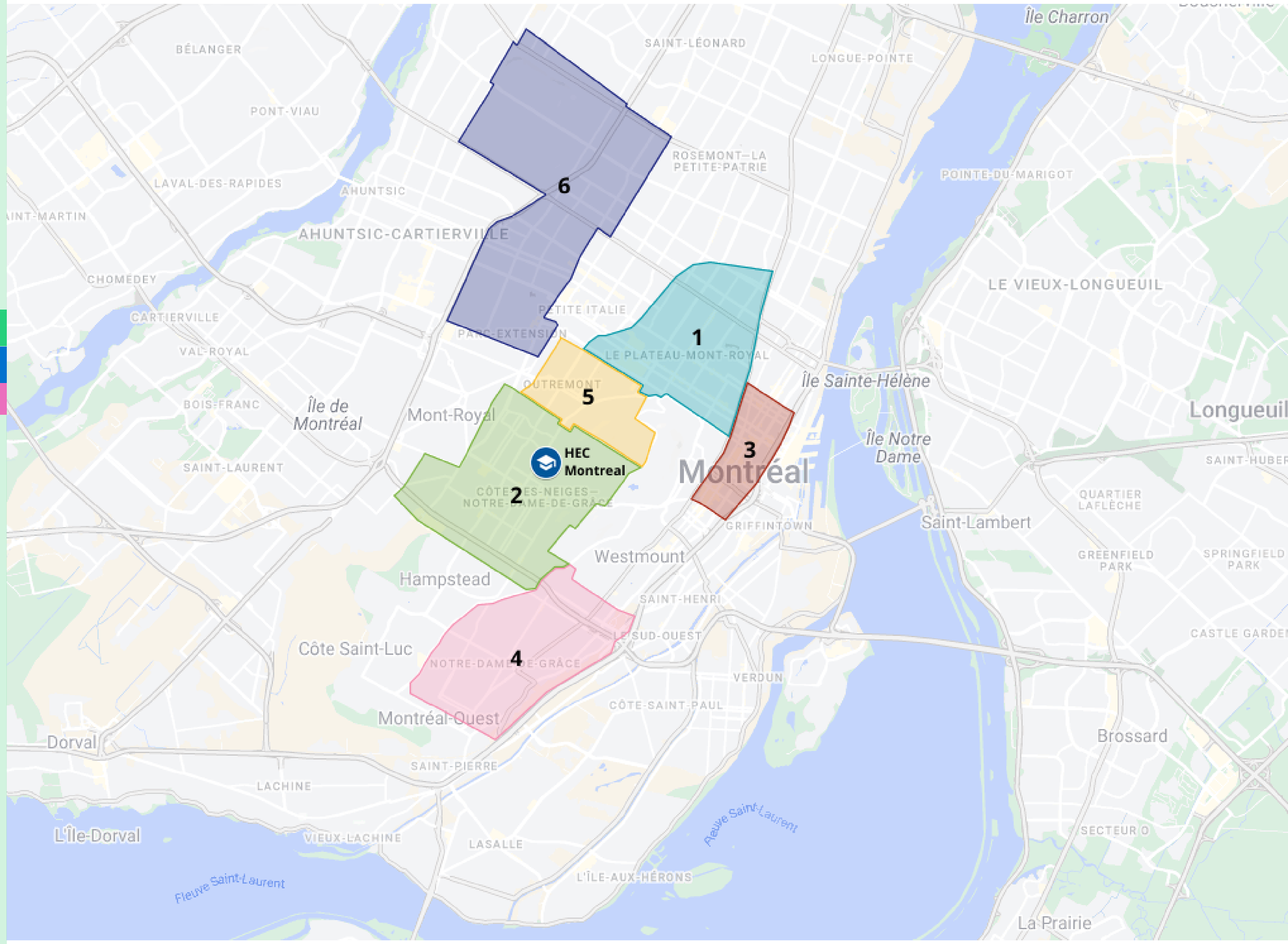
Their location on a map



Distance to HEC Montréal

1. Plateau Mont-Royal : 40 min.
2. Côte-des-Neiges : 10 min. / 20 min.
3. Downtown : 30 min.
4. Notre-Dame-De-Grâce : 25 min.
5. Outremont : 25 min.
6. Villeray-Parc Extension : 30 min.

Housing search options

Visit our web page for information about housing

Join HEC Montréal- Housing Facebook group for exchange students

Find apartment listings on the website Kijiji

Facebook Marketplace

EVO student residence offers housing in the city center. View their offers

Duproprio is a site where owners can sell or rent housing. Find out more here.

This website is also for real estate selling and rental Click here

Find listings on this website

On Airbnb you can find long-term rentals with furnished apartments. Visit here

Checklist of things to consider when visiting apartments

- [ ] What is the condition of the locks and the access door to the building?
- [ ] Check if heating is included in the lease. If not, contact Hydro-Québec or Energir for a cost estimate before signing. Find information on the website using the address.
- [ ] Check if appliances are included and in good working condition. Assess the furniture's condition if provided. Look for apartments with appliances to avoid having to buy them yourself.
- [ ] Inquire about washing machine and tumble-dryer availability and associated fees. If there are none, locate the nearest laundry service.
- [ ] In the bathroom, verify the water pressure of the shower, the cleanliness, the presence of humidity.
- [ ] Are windows properly insulated? Try to avoid wooden frames.
- [ ] How much storage space is available?
- [ ] Due to the age of Montreal buildings, most apartments will not be soundproof. Find out about the profile of the people who will be your neighbors (family, students, etc.) in order to assess the potential noise levels.
- [ ] Which shops and grocery stores are located nearby?
- [ ] Is the appartment near bus stops or a metro station?

Sharing your apartment with roommates - Some advice

Split the group bills (e.g.: use the application SplitWise to share the expenses).

In general, electricity, internet, and insurance should also be shared between roommates. Those expenses are not always included in the lease. You need to pay attention!

Make a cleaning plan. Be aware that in Montreal, there are different collect days for compost, trash and recycling, depending on where you are living.

Communication is the key! Establish common rules, express your opinion, be yourself.

Don't forget to always act in respect of your roommates. Avoid conflicts.

Means of transportation in Montreal

Montreal's transport system includes the metro and buses.

Price: 56,50$/month and 3,50$ for one ticket.

BIXI offers bike rentals in the city. You can take out a subscription for the summer or pay for each use of a bike. There are several stations scattered throughout the city.

Price: 89$ for April - November or 20$ per month.

Uber is a useful app to have especially in case of emergency trips or when public transports are not available. It's a different rate depending on the trip and the price varies depending on the distance and time of day.

There are private taxi companies in Montréal you can call to order a ride. However, it is on the pricier side.

The most cost-effective way to get around is cycling. The city has several bike lanes, but be sure to have a lock to secure your bike and be watchful of traffic.

Find your bearings - key metro stations

HEC Montréal, Côte-Sainte-Catherine building: Université de Montréal

HEC Montréal, Decelles building: Côte-Des-Neiges

CEPSUM (sports center): Édouard-Montpetit

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Key Resources

HEC Montréal contact information

- Phone # : (514) 340-3595
- Exchange and guest students: incoming@hec.ca
- Dual Degree: dualdegree@hec.ca
- BBA International pathway: baa.pi@hec.ca
- D.E.S.S. and MBA International Pathway: formations.internationales@hec.ca

HEC Montréal Academic Resources

- Support for disabled students: sae.soutienhandicap@hec.ca (514) 340-6166
- Student success support: sae.soutienreussite@hec.ca
- Student associations: vie.associative@hec.ca
- Career management: sgc@hec.ca (514) 340-6169

HEC Montréal Emergency Resources

- Psychological support services: sae.soutien@hec.ca (514) 340-6166
- Harassment intervention: harcelement@hec.ca (514) 343-7020
- Sexual violence: respect@hec.ca (514) 343-7020
- Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Advisor: edi@hec.ca
- HEC security: securite@hec.ca (514) 340-6611

Emergency numbers

- Police, Fire, Ambulance: 911
- Health-info (24/7 urgent line): 811
- Citizen information line, City of Montreal: 311

- Gas leak/detection: (514) 598-3111
- Poison control Center: +1 800 463 5060
- Montreal police (Non-life threatening emergencies): (514) 280-2222

Hospitals (near HEC Montréal)

- Jewish General Hospital: (514) 340-8222
- St. Mary's Hospital: (514) 345-3511
- Montreal General Hospital: (514) 934-1934
- CHUM: (514) 890-8000
- Royal Victoria Hospital: (514) 934-1934

Useful Resources (clickable links)

- HEC Housing info
- Housing info
- UDeM legal clinic
- TAL Quebec (Housing regulator)
- SPVM (Police department)
- SIM (Fire department)
- Hydro-Quebec
- Énergir
- Suicide Action Montreal
- Tel Aide

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