Student Life at McGill:
A Description and Exhibition Project

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McGill University Archives Collection (MG4319)

- artificial collection
- objects and documents created by students and staff between 1800 and 2019
- 80+ accessions
- 1200+ entries in inventory

6 lm textual material
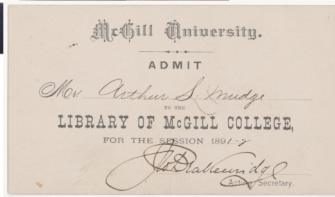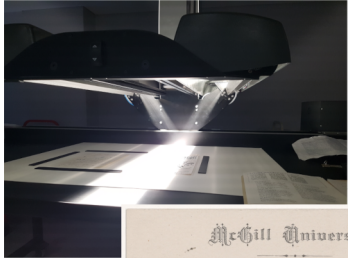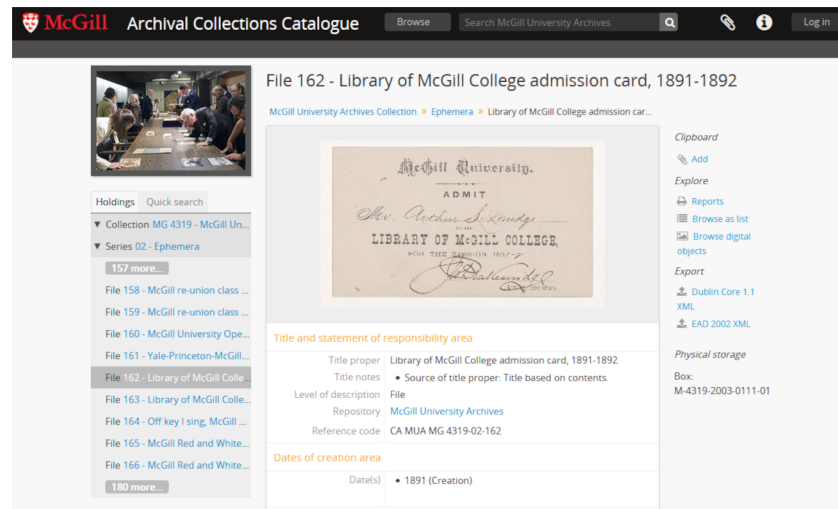0.5 lm graphic material
107 objects
15 audiovisual records

Description

Creating a RAD-compliant inventory with file and item level description:
- *file level for textual and graphic material*
- *item level for objects*

Arranging collection into seven series: documents, ephemera, scrapbooks and notebooks, graphic material, audiovisual material, textiles, and objects

Digitization

Digitizing material selected for exhibition using a Suprascan Qartz flat bed scanner, a book2net Cobra book scanner, and a DSLR camera for 3D objects

Creating over 2300 digital files

Access

Making collection descriptions available publicly through AtoM, linking digital objects so that digitized material can be downloaded remotely
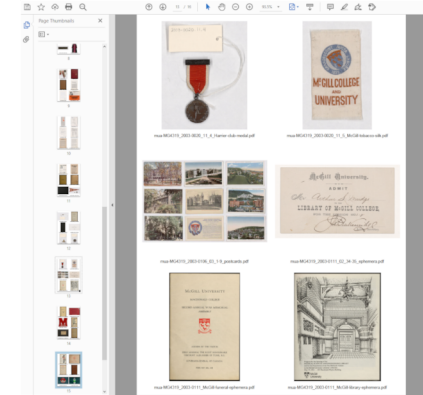
Storytelling

Contributing research, narrative design, puzzle design, and collection material for a trivia game that highlights McGill collections and stories about accomplished, but less frequently celebrated figures from McGill's history

Anyone can play Quiz That So! here: https://sites.google.com/view/-quizthatso/

Exhibition

Designing the exhibition and selecting material for ten categories that represent student life at McGill: academics, activism, arts, athletics, campus, convocation, leisure, military, social, and student organizations

Exhibition goes live in September