

PhD Transfer Policy

(Approved at the September, 17th 2015 Department Meeting)

The PhD Admissions committee will consider requests for transfers from other PhD programs into the EDST PhD on a case by case basis.

1. Transfer requests from EDST EdD, other Faculty of Education PhD and UBC PhD will be preferred.
2. Approved transfer PhD students will start at same time as and will be integral part of the next incoming cohort (thus only September start allowed).
3. Approved transfer PhD students will start the PhD program from scratch (i.e. with a cohort, take all required EDST PhD courses, etc.).
4. There will be no transfers from the Masters level into the EDST PhD.
5. The case for transfer needs to be very strong (including GPA – comparable to last incoming cohort, strong letters of recommendation, and especially strong statement of intent which should include rationale for transfer, case for fit with EDST and specific secured supervisor).
6. The case for transfer should be strongly endorsed by a letter (can be in email form) from the proposed EDST supervisor indicating both willingness and enthusiasm to take on transfer, including indication of fit between transfer's work and supervisor's and if possible, willingness to provide financial support in the way of GA position from supervisor's work, etc.).
7. Accepted transfers will normally not be considered for initial funding (4YF and GSI), though they are to be encouraged as part of incoming cohort to apply for Tri-Council/Affiliated Fellowship funding.