Greetings, EDST! It is back-to-school for most of us once again. We hope you have had an enjoyable and productive summer, and are looking forward to the academic year ahead. To those of you joining our department this month, a very warm welcome from the GAAs! We are excited to have you join our community of scholars, and we look forward to supporting your upcoming journey through graduate school.

September has always been a busy month for us, and this year is no different. In fact, we have added several events to the EDST orientation calendar, including campus tours, workshops, and recreational activities for the benefit of our new and current students. We also have a series of exciting workshops in the coming months, so lookout for our updates!

The GAA team would also like to extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Ali Abdi, our former department head, for graciously supporting our activities and events over the years. We also look forward to working with Dr. Mona Gleason, who will be our new department head from September onwards.

Thank you, also, to Claudia Diaz-diaz for her dedication and service to the EDST community as a GAA over the past two years. You will be missed! Claudia will be succeeded by Maria Angélica Guerrero as one of the GAAs (academic peer advisor) this academic year. Welcome to the team,
ANNOUNCEMENTS

GAA Appointments for 2018/19 Academic Year
Click here to see our profiles!

Academic Peer Advisors
Mary Kostandy
Maria Angelica Guerrero

Academic Research and Publication Support
Bernard Chan (to December 2018)
Lena Ignatovich

New Resources on the EDST GAA Blog

Scholarship Calendar
Check out the scholarship calendar for a general reference for major scholarships and awards available for EDST students.

Writing and Publishing Resources
We have compiled a list of books, articles, blogs, websites, and journals that may be useful for your writing and publishing.

Research Day 2018
Information and abstracts for Research Day 2018 are archived on this page.

Send Us Your Feedback!
Send us your comments, feedback, and opinions here at any time, so that we can continue to develop and improve our initiatives for you.

MONTHLY EVENTS
To RSVP, click on the button located at the bottom of the section. The buttons will direct you to a RSVP form for the month's events.

In the interest of fairness to event host(s) or presenter(s), please RSVP at least 3 days prior to the event date. There is a minimum attendance of 5 participants for our events, unless otherwise specified. If there not enough participants, we may cancel or postpone the event to a later date.

NOTE ON EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENTS

The EDST GAA orientation events listed below are for the information of current students only. Incoming students in September 2018 have already been informed of these events in a separate email. If you are an incoming student, and have already registered for these events, you are not required to RSVP again.

EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENT

Preparing for a Successful Academic Year
September 6, 2018 | Thursday

Location: PCOH2012 (EDST Multipurpose Room)

Time: 3:00pm – 4:15pm

Hosted by: Dr. Alison Taylor (Part I); Nasim Peikazadi, Dorna Rahimi, and Áurea Vericat (Part II)

Graduate school can be an exciting adventure, but you also need to plan ahead – and plan early – so that your journey is a success! In this 2-part session, Dr. Alison Taylor, our department’s Graduate Advisor, will speak to different ways you can prepare for a successful academic year early in the term. Then, Nasim Peikazadi, Dorna Rahimi, and Áurea Vericat, graduate students in the Faculty of Education, will facilitate an interactive discussion based on their project Understanding and Building Advisory Relationships (UBAR). The topics explored in this session are relevant to all students, from Ph.D/Ed.D to M.A/M.Ed!
EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENT
Gathering for MA/M.Ed Students
September 10, 2018 | Monday
Location: PCOH Kitchen
Time: 12:00pm – 12:45pm
Hosted by: EDST GAAs

If you are a current MA or M.Ed student, come and meet your new peers at a casual lunchtime gathering in the PCOH Kitchen! Share your stories, advice, and tips on how your peers may navigate their programmes. Light refreshments and snacks will be served.

EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENT
Gathering for Ph.D/Ed.D Students
September 10, 2018 | Monday
Location: PCOH Kitchen
Time: 12:00pm – 12:45pm
Hosted by: EDST GAAs

If you are a current Ph.D or Ed.D student or candidate, come and meet your new peers at a casual lunchtime gathering in the PCOH Kitchen! Share your stories, advice, and tips on how your peers may navigate their programmes. Light refreshments and snacks will be served.

EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENT
SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS SERIES
SSHRC Workshop for Doctoral Students
September 10, 2018 | Monday
Location: PCOH2012 (EDST Multipurpose Room)
Time: 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Hosted by: Dr. Alison Taylor & Dr. Vanessa Andreotti (TBC)
The deadline for students to submit their SSHRC applications this year is September 24. In support of EDST students preparing to apply for SSHRC, Dr. Alison Taylor and Dr. Vanessa Andreotti will be hosting a workshop aimed at providing students with feedback, and answer any questions related to their applications.

**EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENT**

**Back-to-school Potluck!**  
**September 14, 2018 | Friday**

Location: PCOH Kitchen  
Time: 5:00pm – 6:30pm  
Hosted by: Dr. Mona Gleason, EDST Head & EDST GAAs

Everyone in EDST is invited to our back-to-school potluck at the PCOH Kitchen! Catch up with old friends and colleagues and get to know new ones. Feel free to bring your family and friends along!

**EDST GAA ORIENTATION EVENT**

**Hiking trip: Capilano Pacific Trail**  
**September 15, 2018 | Saturday**

Location: Capilano Pacific Trail, North Vancouver  
Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm (est.)  
Hosted by: EDST GAAs

Let's hike the Capilano Pacific Trail together! This is an easy trail of around 12km, and it has a lot of nice views of the Lion’s Gate Bridge, up to the Cleveland Dam through Capilano River Regional Park. The estimated time for the round trip is 3 hours. Please bring lunch and 1-2 litres of water with you. We'll stop for lunch and enjoy some
mountain views at Capilano Lake. On our way back, we might take the Seabus for a fun and scenic trip across Vancouver Harbour.

N.B.: Students who register for this event will be sent further details. You will also be required to sign a waiver form in order to participate in this activity.

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**LEARNING TOGETHER SERIES**

Communicating your Research: Online Workshop and Discussion
September 17, 2018 | Monday

Location: PCOH1306A (Video Conference Room)
Time: 11:30am – 1:00pm
Hosted by: Bernard Chan (EDST GAA)

In order to become a well-rounded researcher, one has to conduct good, sound research and be able to communicate their findings to a variety of audiences. Yet, this latter aspect is often overlooked. In this "Learning Together" session, we shall join an online workshop hosted by Mitacs, and explore what it means to communicate your research effectively through different media. If time allows, we shall also briefly practise some of the skills we learnt during the workshop.

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**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES**

Demystifying Academic Conferences
September 27, 2018 | Thursday

Location: PCOH1306A (Video Conference Room)
Time: 2:30pm – 4:00pm
Hosted by: Dr. Tom Sork

Going to conferences can be a great way for you to broaden
your perspective, get to know your academic community, and find opportunities for research, publication, and/or professional development. But attending a conference can also be a nerve-wracking experience, especially if it is your first time. But don't let your nerves get in the way! In this workshop, Dr. Tom Sork will share some useful advice on ways you can navigate the conference scene, so that you can make the most of your time there. Topics covered include:

- A brief introduction to academic conferences
- Choosing the "right" conferences
- Tips on preparing for conferences and the proposal submission process
- Navigating the scene: how to make the most of conference participation.

The EDST GAAs will also highlight some funding opportunities for students attending conferences. This workshop is relevant to all students (Ph.D, Ed.D., MA, M.Ed, and B.Ed), and we look forward to seeing you there!

CLICK HERE TO RSVP

SOME DATES TO NOTE

**September 4, 2018**
CFP deadline for [NASPA Annual Conference 2019](https://www.naspa.org)

**September 6, 2018**
Application deadline for [Vanier Scholarship](https://www.canadianuniversities.ca/) (11:59pm PDT/Vancouver time)
September 7, 2018
CFP deadline for The Forum on Education Abroad 15th Annual Conference

September 14, 2018
CFP deadline for CIES 2019: Education for Sustainability (other session formats only) and Community Colleges for International Development (CCID) Annual Conference 2019
Registration deadline for 2018 PAGE Conference

September 15, 2018
Early bird registration deadline for CBIE 2018
CFP deadline for 29th Annual CCIS Conference

September 24, 2018
Application deadline for Doctoral SSHRC, NSERC & Affiliated Fellowships applications

CONFERENCES THIS MONTH

September 18-20, 2018
Oxford Ethnography and Education Conference 2018

September 24-26, 2018
8th Annual International Conference on Education & e-Learning (EeL 2018)