



Welcome back EDST! It is a new year, and the GAA team is excited for a term of community building and events!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you and Welcome

This term we say goodbye to Mary and Lena who have finished their terms as GAAs. We cannot thank them enough for all that they have contributed to the EDST community in their roles.



Joining Maria and Alison on the GAA team this term is Yotam Ronen as our new Peer Advisor and Vanessa Lawrence as our new Research and Publication Assistant. Welcome! Check out their introductions below:



Hi! My name is Yotam Ronen and I've started my PhD at EDST in 2018. I grew up in Israel and am still very new to this strange new place. As someone who's work focuses on history, I know full well how lonely graduate school can be, and am here to help build a community here at EDST that will help each and every one of us to achieve their goals in a safe and friendly environment. Please come say hi when you see me down the hall, and I hope to meet all of you in our events throughout the year!



My name is Vanessa Lawrence. I'm an MA student in the Higher Education stream, with an interest in how research is integrated into undergraduate teaching. My previous degrees focused on English Literature and Library and Information Science. I've worked as an academic librarian, with a focus on science librarianship and information literacy. I'm looking forward to offering support for publication and getting to know more of the EDST community!

Research Day 2020

We are currently working towards organization of the EDST Research Day 2020.

EDST Research Day is a great opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to present their work, collaborations, posters, and ideas in various research areas. It is also a great opportunity to present work in advance of one of the larger conferences you plan to attend in the Spring. This is a supportive forum, where all research is welcome! It's a great chance to practice presenting your work!

To help us find a date for Research Day that is most convenient for you, please fill out the following

survey: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2sfXKaAVox7yilB

Calls for proposals and volunteers for Research Day 2020 will be

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

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 are not enough participants, we may cancel or postpone the event to a later date.



Research In Focus

Identity transformation in men recovering from addictions

January 23th, 2020 | Thursday

Location: PCOH 1002

Time: 2:30-3:30

Hosted by: Daniel Jordan, Dr. Jude Walker and the EDST GAAs

Please join MA student Daniel Jordan and Dr. Jude Walker as they present their research examining the learning processes, contextual factors, and changes reported by men who underwent residential addictions treatment in BC and considered themselves transformed as a result.

Please [RSVP](#)

EDST Writing Group

We Should Be Writing: Writing for Non-Academic Audiences

January 27, 2020 | Thursday

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Writing for Non-Academic Audiences

Guest Speaker: Dr. Jason Ellis

January 27, 2020
10:30 am to 2:00 pm
PCOH 2012, UBC
(Ponderosa Commons Oak House)

Mini-lecture and Q&A from 10:30am - 11:00am
followed by writing until 2:00pm

Please RSVP at <https://blogs.ubc.ca/edstgaa/>
If you have any questions about this event contact edstgaa@ubc.ca
or Yotam Ronen at yotam.ronen@alumni.ubc.ca.

Hosted by: Dr. Jason Ellis and the EDST GAAs

Please join the EDST Writing Group this month! Dr. Jason Ellis will be presenting, followed by a session of dedicated writing.

Please [RSVP](#)

RESOURCES

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MEET GRADUATE WELLBEING AMBASSADORS



ANASTASIA SAPELNIKOVA
2nd Year MEd student in Adult Learning and Global Change



FEISEN DING
2nd Year PhD student in Art Education



FABIAN FRÖHLICH
2nd Year MA student in Media and Technology Studies Education



LUCAS ZHANG
2nd Year MEd student in Society, Culture and Politics in Education

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This is the first year of the GWA Program at UBC, so please bear with us through the learning process. If you have any suggestions, or ideas about how we can better support you and each other, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at:
grad.wellbeing.edu@alumni.ubc.ca

A message from the new Graduate Wellbeing Ambassadors:

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at grad.wellbeing.edu@alumni.ubc.ca. Please keep an eye out for related events, workshops and surveys from the GWA's in the upcoming future!



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