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Hello EDST!

This month we're continuing with virtual co-working, and beginning to look ahead to September! Read below to see how you can get involved come the fall.

As many of us continue to work from home and look ahead to virtual classes in September, please reach out to the GAA team with any questions or concerns you may have. Our team has been thinking about the struggles we are facing transitioning to more virtual participation, and are curious about your experiences. You can reach us at edst.gaa@ubc.ca.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Just So You Know!

The EDST GAA team would like to extend our **sincerest thanks to Dr. André Mazawi**, the outgoing EDST Graduate Advisor for all of the support he has provided students over this past year. We would also like to extend a **warm welcome to Dr. Claudia Ruitenberg** who has begun her term as Graduate Advisor. Dr. Ruitenberg can be contacted at <u>gradadvisor.edst@ubc.ca</u> for all student matters involving G+PS forms and procedures as well as all matters related to graduate students' individual programs of study that cannot be dealt with by the supervisor (PhD/EdD/MA) or advisor (MEd).

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the session will also be recorded. To join over Zoom, please RSVP to educ.ore@ubc.ca.

EDST Student Representatives - Call for Nominations

Get involved in EDST by acting as a student representative! Student representatives sit on various committees in the department to voice student concerns and vote on their behalf.

As a student representative you will be responsible for:

Attending a monthly committee meeting where you will bring forward student concerns and viewpoints, as well as being a voting committee member

Attending a monthly student representative meeting where you will share updates with other student reps and the GAA team

We currently have openings for:

- 4 MEd, MA, PhD or EdD students in the EDST Department Meetings
- 1 EDST student for the Graduate Student Society (GSS) Council
- 1 MA or PhD student for the Graduate Programs Advisory and Curriculum Committee (GPACC)
- 1 EDST student for the **Scholarships Committee**
- 1 MA student for the MA Committee
- 1 PhD student for the PhD Committee
- 1`ALE student for the Adult Learning Education Program

If you are interested in learning more, email edst.gaa@ubc.ca. If you are interested in nominating yourself for a position, please send your name and program area to the GAA team at edst.gaa@ubc.ca.

EDST Orientation Video - Last Call for Submissions

It is a strange year to be coming to UBC for the first time! The GAA team is putting together a welcome video for incoming EDST students, to say hello to our new colleagues. This is the last call for video submissions.

If you'd like to participate:

Please email edst.gaa@ubc.ca with a 10-30 second video clip of yourself saying welcome to incoming students. Feel free to share something you love about EDST or UBC.

If you are having issues sending the file via email, please reach out to the GAA team.

MONTHLY EVENTS

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We are continuing with weekly virtual co-working sessions. These are online co-working sessions which include a group check-in, focused working blocks, and short breaks. Each session will have a different host so will look a little bit different, but they'll always provide some company and accountability to help you be productive. We encourage you to join in for the whole session or drop-in anytime during!

Location: Zoom https://ubc.zoom.us/j/608580548 meeting ID 608 580 548

The schedule will be updated on an ongoing basis, and an updated schedule can be found here. The scheduled sessions for June at this time are:

July 3	3pm-7pm	Vanessa
July 7	4pm-8pm	Yotam
July 9	5pm-8pm	Vanessa
July 14	4pm-8pm	Yotam
July 16	5pm-8pm	Vanessa
July 21	4pm-8pm	Yotam
July 23	3pm-7pm	Vanessa
July 28	4pm-8pm	Yotam

Make sure to confirm sessions on the schedule through the month. If you are new to Zoom you can test your connection, mic and webcam here.



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