# Course Information

## Prefix & number | Title
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EDST 602A | Doctoral Seminar

## Instructor | Prerequisites or restrictions (if any)
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Ali A. Abdi |  

## Focus or Content
The course focuses on generalized and, on emergent exigencies, specialized scholarly writing styles and formats that shall help students with their comprehensive exams, research proposals, and, more critically, the later competition of their dissertations. Students shall also interact with select propositions on different genre of academic writing including the development of conference proposals and possible ways of preparing journal articles, book chapters and book reviews. In addition, students will be supported with the writing of quality internal and external fellowship and grant proposals. Moreover, interested students in this seminar will be given the opportunity (with the requisite support) to engage with diverse styles and methods of academic drafting including counter-monocentric and liberatory modes and modalities of research writing and attached epistemological possibilities.

## Goals, Objectives or Learning Outcomes
1. Provide students the opportunity to become familiar with different approaches of academic drafting, which shall help them prepare for specific/specialized writing projects including comprehensive exams and research proposals
2. Help students, in preliminary terms, to appreciate, discuss and experiment with possible ways of preparing journals articles, book chapters and book reviews
3. Expand the spatial, structural and stylistic platforms of writing and related analyses for more inclusive and multicentric modes of drafting select academic works

## Assignments or Assessment Process
EDST 602A is a pass/fail course; overall evaluation will be based upon:

1. Seminar participation and contributions  30%
2. Short writing projects  30%
3. A personalized research project writing  40%

## Notes/Other

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