We know that graduate students don’t usually get a break over the summer, but we hope you’re still finding time to relax and enjoy yourself around your work. This month the GAAs don’t have many events planned, but you’re welcome as always to join our coworking sessions to keep on track with your work. We also encourage students to attend or submit comments for the GAAs to share at the open department meeting to discuss potential part-time registration in EDST’s PhD program.

**Announcements**

**EDST Student Representatives**

We have some openings for EDST student representative positions this term on the Graduate Student Society and the Higher Education committee. A broader call for student representatives will come out in September, but if you’re interested in beginning a position now let us know.

Current EDST student representatives are listed on the [GAA blog](#). Also, as always, if you have any issues or concerns you’d like brought forward by a student representative or the GAAs, feel free to speak to a student rep or to contact the GAAs at [edst.gaa@ubc.ca](mailto:edst.gaa@ubc.ca)

**Monthly Events**

**Virtual Co-Working Sessions**
Online co-working sessions include a group check-in, focused working blocks, and short breaks. Sessions offer some company and accountability to help you be productive. We encourage you to join in for the whole session or drop-in anytime during!

You can join the sessions on Zoom using the same link each time: https://ubc.zoom.us/s/608580548

The schedule of sessions may be subject to change, and we recommend checking the most up-to-date schedule on Google docs throughout the month. At this time, the following sessions are scheduled for June:

- June 2, 4pm-8pm, Yotam
- June 7, 4pm-8pm, Vanessa
- June 9, 4pm-8pm, Yotam
- June 14, 4pm-8pm, Vanessa
- June 16, 4pm-8pm, Yotam
- June 21, 4pm-8pm, Vanessa
- June 23, 4pm-8pm, Yotam
- June 28, 4pm-8pm, Vanessa
- June 30, 4pm-8pm, Yotam

### Departmental Events

#### Meeting to discuss Part-Time Registration Option in EDST PhD

**Date and Time:** June 14, 2021, 10:00am-12:00pm Vancouver Time (PDT)

**Location:** Virtual (Zoom)

**Link:** https://ubc.zoom.us/j/65862228045?pwd=TnNTZC8ydHhDa1pYOWlScEljTkctQT09

**Meeting ID:** 658 6222 8045 – Passcode 968336

**Description:** You may have already seen information about this meeting on the EDST Student listserv. This second meeting in a series is open to all members of the EDST department. This discussion will focus on possible details of implementation if the department decides to pursue part-time registration as an option for the PhD program. Background information related to the decision, shared before the May 19th meeting, is available in a UBC OneDrive folder (access using a UBC email). Notes from the first meeting are attached to the newsletter email.

If you aren’t able to attend the meeting but you have comments or ideas you’d like raised in the discussion, you can email us at edst.gaa@ubc.ca
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