

November got here in a flash and sure enough we can see the end of the term approaching. Don't despair, there is time to catch up during the newly appointed November break between Wednesday 10th and Friday 12th. After years of student campaigning, this fall is the first time UBC students will have this break. It coincides with Remembrance Day, a holiday in which Canadians honour and recognize those who served and continue to serve the country today.



If you need a quiet place to get through those readings and class assignments, don't miss out on the Research and Learning Commons at Ponderosa Commons. It's located in the lower level of the building and is accessible to all EDST students with your UBC card. And if you are at home and need some support, companionship, and accountability, the GAAs have got your back! Join us for a co-working session.

- Announcements -

Student representative positions

We are so happy to announce that the student representative positions in all programs and committees within EDST have been filled! This is an extraordinary group of passionate students who have shown interest in taking on the responsibility. Student representatives will have meetings during the year to collaborate and support each other on their various roles. To all our students, we encourage you to contact your representatives to know more about what is

happening in the department or approach them get your thoughts and experiences across to the broader community.

We want to hear from you!

Last month we launched a survey for all EDST students to share with us what you want to see during the year, and which formats best suit your circumstances. Don't miss the chance to get your voices heard. You can be as specific as you want, and we can plan a session together if that's something you are interested in.

Survey link: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0kajNTLeQwHDYb4

- Events -

Research and Activism: Lessons learned from the Last Warning educational campaign to draw attention to ecocide and genocide in Brazil



The Amazon holds a unique place within the living fabric of the Earth. Its significance to the climate emergency and the wider extinction crisis is attested by science, while its role in the cultural imagination of environmental movements is unparalleled. An educational campaign about the importance of, as well as threats to, the Amazon rainforest and Indigenous rights in Brazil was lunched last summer. The Last Warning educational initiative is an extension of a long-term research collaboration between the Huni Kui Indigenous People's Federation in the Amazon and researchers from the Department of Educational Studies at UBC, including Dr. Vanessa Andreotti, Dr. Cash Ahenakew, and Dr. Sharon Stein.

Join Dr Andreotti, Dr. Ahenakew, and Dr Stein, as they share insights from this important collaboration!

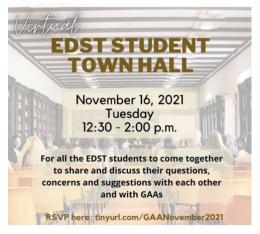
Date and Time: Wednesday, November 10th at 2 pm.

Location: Ponderosa Commons 1306A

Read more about this project here: https://lastwarning.org

RSVP here: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 2l3eSl8MvIRTADY

EDST GAA HOSTED EVENT





We are organising a Town Hall Meeting this November as a dedicated venue for all the EDST students to come together to share and discuss their questions, concerns, and suggestions with each other and with GAAs. If some of you could not attend the orientation sessions organised earlier, don't worry. Here's a chance to get updated on important information. So, bring your lunch or cup of tea, coffee or favorite drink and join us!

Date and time: Tuesday, November 16th at 12:30 – 2:00

pm

Location: Virtual (Zoom)

RSVP here:

https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2l3eSI8MvIRTADY

Koerner's Pub night with the GAAs!

Kick off the weekend with an evening at Koerner's Pub with the GAAs! Drop by for drink and get to know your fellow EDST students at this casual social event. The GAAs will be booking a table, let us know if you plan to drop through the RSVP link!

Date and time: Friday, November 19th at 5:00pm

Location: Koerner's Pub (1758 West Mall)

RSVP here:

https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 2l3eSl8MvIRTADY



Citation management workshop

Join Yotam Ronen as he takes us through an introduction of citations software, what are they for, what you can do with them, what you can't. This workshop will focus on Zotero — a citation management software — but many of the lessons from this example can apply to other citation management software.

Date and Time: Monday, November 22nd at 1:00 pm.

Location: Virtual (Zoom)

RSVP here:

https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 2l3eSl8MvIRTADY



MA students Meet-n-Eat!



Students in the MA program are invited to get together for a safe face to face gathering. This is an event where we can learn more about each other, share how we are getting on with our program, unpack questions and solutions together, and of course eat some delicious food provided by the EDST department. All MA students are welcome to attend.

Date and time: Wednesday, November 24th at 12:30 pm **Location:** Ponderosa Commons Multipurpose Room 2012 (1st floor)

RSVP here:

https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 5yUigit7v9AZO3s

Co-working sessions are back!

We heard people asking for these sessions to come back, so here we go!

What are co-working sessions?

Co-working sessions are casual drop-in work sessions hosted on Zoom where you can remotely work alongside your peers and meet your goals. Sessions begin with a check-in to share our goals for the day, followed by focused working blocks and short breaks to check-in with each other. Whether you need a bit of motivation to get some work done, or just want to say hello to EDST classmates, co-working is for you!

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

Join here: https://ubc.zoom.us/s/608580548

Day	Time (PST)	Host
Monday, November 1	4pm – 8pm	Yotam
Wednesday, November 3	3pm – 7pm	Julia
Monday, November 8	4pm – 8pm	Yotam
Monday, November 15	4pm – 8pm	Yotam
Thursday, November 18	3pm – 7pm	Julia
Monday, November 22	4pm – 8pm	Yotam
Thursday, November 25	3pm – 7pm	Julia

You can also view the schedule at this Google doc, which will be updated throughout the year (tip - bookmark this page!):

 $\frac{https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1IGgOaxJYpIDMvIjmjVRFYFoeNr3PTUBAh46AjswVxec/edit?us}{p=sharing}$

- All Things Career -

CCGSE Fall 2021 Event: Networking for Graduate Students in Education

The Canadian Committee of Graduate Students in Education (CCGSE/CCÉÉCSÉ) is hosting a fall networking event for people in the field of education.

Description: Looking to network with people in your field? Interested in meeting other education graduate students from various Canadian universities? Join us! **Agenda:**

 Community Chats about: Resiliency in Grad School; Service and Leadership Opportunities During Graduate Studies • Breakout Room Networking: Attendees will be grouped with other graduate students in

similar areas of research to grow their network and exchange ideas!

Date and time: Wednesday, November 10th from 1:00pm - 2:00pm ET (10:00am-11:00am PT)

Location: Virtually (on Zoom)

Link to register:

https://uottawaca.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEqdirrDgoGt2MN92zMeJRlw golHidrsR

Attendees will be entered into a draw for one of two \$50 gift cards!



- Additional Opportunities -

Richard Rorty Reading Group

We are happy to invite you all to our Richard Rorty Reading Group! Through individual and mutual explorations and discussion we (Yuya and Itamar) have developed a mildly unhealthy obsession with Pragmatist philosophy, which we are excited to share with our friends and colleagues! So, in this reading group, we will read, discuss, dissect and deconstruct Richard Rorty's (1989) *Contigency, Irony, and Solidarity* (available online through the UBC Library)

Why Rorty? A hugely influential voice in 20th century American philosophy, Rorty's work is still thought-provoking, controversial and mind-opening, and the discussions in this book cover topics such as language and communication, knowledge, philosophy, politics, literature, ethics and more!

Who? Everyone's invited! But specifically, we look forward to inviting graduate students from our respective departments (LLED and EDST) as we think that Rorty's work provides a fertile ground for a critical interdisciplinary discussion between the fields of Educational Studies and Language and Literacy Education.

When? We will weekly on Wednesdays, from 5PM-7Pm, starting November 3rd (see file attached for exact dates and chapter breakdown).

Where? We will meet in Ponderosa Commons (#1306A [Video Conferencing Room]) there will also be an option to join our discussions online, for those of you who can't attend in person. Here is the Zoom info for those who are joining remotely:

https://ubc.zoom.us/j/65019694541?pwd=cUhhbGkwa0xIUFA3bkxGT25MdkthZz09

Meeting ID: 650 1969 4541

Passcode: 12345

Preparation? In addition to reading the assigned parts of the text, we encourage you to drop discussion questions, notable quotes, and other things on <u>this shared Google Doc</u>. This document will not only help us loosely structure our discussions, but (hopefully) also facilitate collective reading of texts.

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Lunch and Panel: Black Graduate Students in the Faculty of Education

Please join our Faculty of Education colleagues Dr. Annette Henry (LLED), Dr. Bathseba Opini (EDST), Dr. Stella Namae (EDCP) and Kimani Karangu (EDCP) at a lunch and panel to discuss the findings of a 10-year inquiry of academic success and wellbeing for Black Graduate Students in the Faculty of Education. All are welcome, please register in advance.

Date and Time: Thursday, November 4th at 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Location: Graduate Students Society (Thea's Lounge),

6371 Crescent Road #225



Registration:https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfrOa4yddg0pGl3FLFjdYYtY3tGlrA4Uryn85yqVqcqD9jwDA/viewform

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