We are well into the term now, and we can sense days getting longer!

A few things to keep in mind: UBC Senate approved an extension on Winter term 2 drop deadline. You now have until Sunday, February 6 at 11:59 pm PT to drop courses. In addition, starting February 7 UBC is back for in-person classes, unless your instructor says otherwise.

We are happy to have you back! Following the safety measures in place and looking out for each other, this term we hope to see more of you on campus.

And remember, the GAA team is here for you! So please reach out if you have questions or want to chat, come to our social events this month, work alongside peers in co-working sessions, and get ready to submit those proposals for Research Day 2022!
- Announcements -

Call for EDST Research Day 2022

Research Day 2022 invites proposals for individual presentations, poster sessions, roundtable, and panel sessions, and more from students and faculty members. This year Research Day will be held virtually.

All students are welcome: Ph.D., Ed.D., M.A., and M.Ed.

More information on the application requirements, please visit the EDST website: https://edst.educ.ubc.ca/researchday/

To submit your application visit: https://tinyurl.com/ResearchDay2022

If you have any questions, please reach out to us via email at edst.gaa@ubc.ca

We can’t wait!
INTRODUCTION TO THE ONLINE MINI-COURSE: QUALITATIVE DATA ANALYSIS
with Dr Deirdre Kelly

Date & Time: Thursday, February 10 at 12:00 pm PT
Modality: Hybrid
Location: Ponderosa Commons Multipurpose Room 2012 (1st floor) and on Zoom

Description: This is the first of two sessions. In this occasion Dr. Kelly will introduce the online mini-course on Qualitative Data Analysis. She designed the course to complement students' knowledge and be a guide for research.

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Across the five modules in this mini-course, I discuss a variety of tools, strategies, and heuristic devices—but provide no magic solutions or guaranteed recipes. I emphasize the need for, and importance of, ongoing reflexivity as well as offer a pragmatic, flexible, and iterative approach to QDA. My examples draw inspiration primarily from ethnography, reflexive thematic analysis, narrative analysis, and counter-storytelling.”

This is a great opportunity to get settled into the course and participate alongside a group of students!

If you decide to complete the mini-course, there will be a follow-up Q&A session with Dr. Kelly on March 10th, at 12:00 PT. Save the date!

RSVP here: https://tinyurl.com/GAAevents
Co-working sessions this month

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!

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

You can also view the schedule at this Google doc, which will be updated throughout the year (tip - bookmark this page!):
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lGgOaxJYpIDMvljmjVRFYFoeNr3PTUBAh46AjswVxec/edit?usp=sharing
NEW: Registered counselling student health insurance coverage increased to $1500

If you’re part of the student health insurance package through the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan, you can now claim up to $1500 in the September 2021-August 2022 policy year towards registering counselling services. Previously, the annual coverage was $1000 per year. If you have considered trying counselling, it’s a great time to take advantage of the additional coverage and find the support you need!

For more information or questions about the student insurance plan, please contact Student Care: [https://www.studentcare.ca/rte/en/UniversityofBritishColumbiaAMSGSS_Home](https://www.studentcare.ca/rte/en/UniversityofBritishColumbiaAMSGSS_Home)

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