



It's February, and we can (almost) see spring on the horizon! It seems like January went by in a flash, and many of us are already in the midst of coursework, teaching and TA tasks, and preparation for upcoming conferences and presentations. On that note, we are happy to announce that EDST's Research Day is taking place in person on Friday, March 31st (see below). This is a great opportunity to present your work in a supportive and friendly environment, hear some of the exciting research by graduate students in the department, and get a chance to meet up and socialize with your student peers and faculty members. We are excited to read your proposals and look forward to seeing you in March!

- Announcements -

Submit your Proposal to EDST Research Day 2023!

Educational Studies
RESEARCH DAY 2023

Reimagining education for an equitable,
sustainable, and connected world



March 31, 2023
In-person



We are pleased to share that the EDST Research Day will be held in-person this year on Friday, March 31.

The program committee for EDST Research Day 2023 invites proposals for individual presentations, poster sessions, roundtable, and panel sessions, and more from students and faculty members. All students are welcome - Ph.D., Ed.D., M.A., and M.Ed. **The submission deadline is February 20, 2023.**

This year's theme is Reimagining education for an equitable, sustainable and connected world: In the past few years, the world has undergone intense changes, the nature and pace of which are unprecedented. The disruption and uncertainty caused by the Covid-19 pandemic have highlighted that we cannot continue life as usual, and this demands a different educational response. This conference is an invitation for us to come together to rethink education for a world that is equitable, sustainable, and connected. We welcome proposals that engage the themes of social justice, environmental justice, technology and education. While these themes raise important questions, applicants should not feel limited to addressing these themes only. We, thus, also invite proposals on other education-related topics.

For more details on this year's Research Day and submitting your proposals, please visit our 2023 Research Day webpage: <https://edst.educ.ubc.ca/researchday/>

If you want to present but not sure how to prepare, your GAAs are here and would love to sit with you to discuss your proposal ideas and help you prepare!

UBC Roundtable on Decolonization

You are invited to this special roundtable on decolonization held at Green College, Coach House. The roundtable is open to the campus community. It will take place February 1, 2023. 3pm - 4:30pm.

Webinar link: <https://ubc.zoom.us/j/63215339677>

Description:

At the start of every formal governance meeting, UBC declares that the Vancouver campus is situated on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam people. But what does that mean? How is this acknowledgement enacted in the university's normal business operations? Academics have long called for decolonizing education and Indigenizing university processes and systems. What progress has been made at UBC? What remains to be done? This roundtable brings together scholars, practitioners, and administrators to reflect on the silences, erasures, achievements, and tasks ahead in UBC's own process of decolonization.

The panelists gathered embody a diversity of experience in work and research, a diversity of Indigenous and settler origins, and a diversity of control over decision making. Very often institutions demand a unitary voice in governance. It is likely that authentic solutions may only come when we attend to the diversity of experience and expertise and appreciate that divergent perspectives is a strength, not a weakness.

For more information, please visit: <https://charlesmenzies.substack.com/p/ubc-roundtable-on-decolonization?r=1juh2p>

EDST Blog



Have you checked out the posts from [the EDST blog](#)'s Writing Series? GAA Itamar Manoff's post "[On Public Facing Scholarship](#)," offers tips and ideas on how to get your work out there and how to translate your research into prose that is public-facing. In another post, blog editor Jessica Lussier explores the genre and benefits of [Academic Blogging](#). Keep an eye out for an upcoming call for blog submissions.

Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW)

Are you planning to apply for a job as a TA or sessional instructor? Interested in improving your instructional skills in a supportive and professional environment with graduate student peers from UBC? [The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology](#) offers the Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW): a 3-day professional development workshop designed for graduate students interested in developing and enhancing their instructional skills. It caters to individuals new at teaching as well as those who wish to refresh and enhance their skills. The ISW is free for eligible graduate students (see website for details). Upcoming workshops:

February 19, 25 & 26, 2023 (In-person)

March 4, 5 & 11, 2023 (In-person)

April 15, 16 & 22, 2023 (In-person)

For more information and to register visit: <https://ctl.ubc.ca/programs/all-our-programs/instructional-skills-workshops/>

Free Musical Performances at the Chan Centre!



For all you music lovers out there, the UBC School of music and the Chan centre are hosting some amazing musical performances by UBC students, completely free! Check out the following events:

Feb 6, 12pm: [UBC Early Music Ensemble](#)

Feb 9, 12pm: [UBC Jazz Ensemble](#)

Feb 10, 7:30pm: [UBC Strings: Experimental Zone II](#)

Feb 13, 12pm: [UBC Composers Concert](#)

- Events -

Pizza Hangout

When: Thursday, February 09, 12:00 – 1:00p.m. PDT

Where: Multipurpose Room, PCOH 2012

Let's get together to have conversations while enjoying pizza on the national pizza day 🍕. It's a good way to meet new people at the department and get back in touch with the ones you already know. If you have any concerns, questions or suggestions that you would like to share with your GAAs, this will be a good opportunity. You can also join us for our co-working session right after this social event.



Sign up here: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0PLZ819klRjtTPo

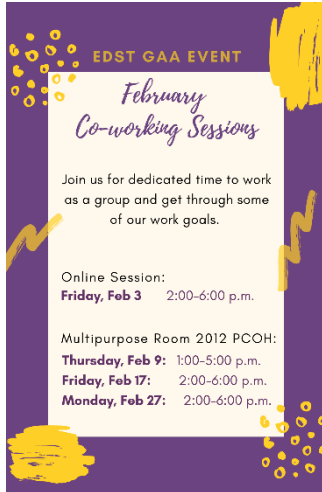
Co-working sessions

What are co-working sessions?

Co-working sessions are casual drop-in work sessions hosted in person at EDST Multipurpose Room (PCN2012), or virtually via zoom. During a session you can 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

Day	Time (PST)	Host	Location
Friday, February 3	2:00 – 6:00pm	Eva	Online
Thursday, February 9	1:00 – 5:00pm	Itamar	PCN 2012
Friday, February 17	2:00-6:00pm	Roshni	PCN 2012
Monday, Feb 27	2:00-6:00pm	Jafar	PCN 2012



Please sign up to RSVP: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1NSDvQTMFPF8Euy

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