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# Establishing, Expanding, and Strengthening Your Professional Network

**ED Institute 2022 Week 3** Brian Nairn, St. Clair College Samantha Chang, University of Toronto



### Land Acknowledgement



St. Clair College would like to recognize and acknowledge that it sits on the three fires confederacy's traditional territory of the Ojibwe, Odawa, and Potawatomi nations. We would also like to acknowledge the many other tribes and indigenous nations that call this beautiful land home. We give thanks to the land and surrounding Water for sustaining us.

Left: St. Clair College Right: Cherry blossoms blooming outside of Robarts Library at the University of Toronto

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and the Mississaugas of the Credit. Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.



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# Today's Agenda

- 1. Identifying Our Professional Network Using the Educational Developers Development Map
- 2. Learning From Our Colleagues: Reflections About Pathways and Networks
- 3. Expanding Our Professional Network: ED Speed Networking





### Identifying Our Professional Network Using the Educational Developers Development Map



## ED Professional Development Map (EDPDM)

### Mentorship

Sponsors, Observers, Brokers, Guidance/Direction

### Work/Life Balance

Safe Space, Community, Inspiration/Motivation, Self-Care Me and My Profession

### **Sharing Expertise**

Collaborators, Learning Communities and Professional Organizations, Brainstorming/Feedback, Writing

### **Professional Learning**

Role Models, Leadership, Learning Communities and Professional Organizations, Online/Print Resources

## **Padlet Recap: EDPDM Brainstorm**

What are the various types of mentors, mentees, and mentoring programs available to educational developers?

### Anonymous 6d

Our office encourages us to participate in training where we can technically network. But nowadays, I find that because training and workshops are online, I just log out quickly and don't actually get to meet anyone.

 nielsend4 18h
 I agree. The break out rooms help some what but there is a need for more intentional engagement with each other

Add comment

Angela Lyrette 20h

I was referred to this ED Institute series by a coworker who knows I have an interest in Ed Dev., but What internal (formal and informal) communities or collaborations are available, or wish to be made available, to you within your institution?

### Add comment

Anonymous 6d I wish there were more opportunities and space for educational developers to work on our portfolios together.

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### nielsend4 18h I agree

Add comment

Angela Lyrette 20h
 Regular discussion
 opportunities in meetings,
 as a standing agenda item.

Add comment

What external (formal and informal) communities or collaborations are available, or wish to be made available, to you from outside of your institution?

Add comment

### Angela Lyrette 20h

At the College level, we can always include our Program Advisory Committee (PAC) members as mentors. Consider your employers and partners in research as potential mentors. Ask graduates and Alumni.

Add comment

### Anonymous 16h

A coworker has offered to be a mentor, but finding the time and knowing what to ask for from that

What professional organizations and conferences do you know of?

Anonymous 7d
Dalhousie's recent conference, eCampus Ontario on Microcredentials, the former EDC conference

Add comment

Anonymous 6d POD Network. In Ontario, there is COED.

Add comment

Anonymous 6d There is SEDA in the UK.

Add comment



### What do you identify as barriers to establishing a professional network? What solutions/suggestions do you have to the barriers identified? The best mentors already have several mentees and may feel stretched too thin. A solution would be to solicit volunteers and then maybe organize people with an available source. Add comment nielsend4 18h Time

I find time is the biggest barrier for myself and for a potential mentor/mentee. ED is a busy role and often struggle to balance work duties, let alone professional development and reflection. I need to ensure I schedule time for these activities. Are there any other forms of network or professional development opportunities you identify or seek?

Anonymous 6d

I wish there were more opportunities to collaborate with colleagues inside and outside of the institution.

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Anonymous 5d Great point. Collaboration and just being in the "know" of what is being worked on. There is still too much siloing happening.

nielsend4 18h Agreed

Add comment

Anonymous 16h

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I would like a more active listserv that allows us to connect to other Ed Devs in other institutions across Canada.

### Learning From Our Colleagues: Reflections About Pathways and Networks

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## **Our ED Panelists**





**Educational Developer** University of British Columbia



### Natasha May

**Educational Developer York University** 

### **Neil Silcox**

**Faculty Excellence Lead** Maple League of Universities 10

## **Panel Questions**

What was your pathway into educational development?

How did your pathway help you build and define your professional network?

How has your professional network helped you grow as an educational developer?



### Expanding Our Professional Network: ED Speed Networking

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# **Breakout: ED Speed Networking**

3 speed networking rounds (7 minutes each)

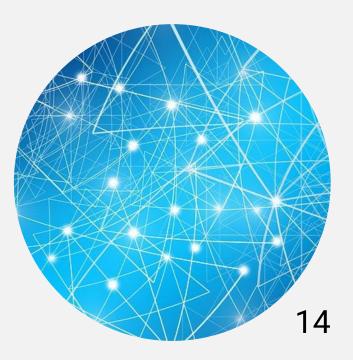
3-5 participants per breakout room

### **Talking Points**

- Introduce yourself
- Highlight one takeaway from the panel
- Identify one network you are seeking or offer one support you are able to provide
- Share contact information!



### **Speed Networking Recap (Annotation Activity)**



# **Further Reading**

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- Greenwald, C. S. (2020). <u>No More Excuses! Build a Contact List to Fuel Your Career</u>. American Bar Association.
- Guido, A. (2019). <u>Why Being Kind Is Your Best Networking Strategy and How To Do It</u>. Career Protocol.
- Popovic, C. (n.d.). <u>Connections</u>. Educational Developers Thinking Allowed. Includes subpages about professional organizations, conferences, journals and other publications, listservs, social media, internal connections, exchanges and visits, mentoring and consultancy.
- Zack, D. (2019). <u>A Networking Survival Kit for People Who Hate Networking</u>. Berrett-Koehler Publishers.

## **Thank You!**

**Wednesday, June 1, 1–2:30 pm EDT** Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Educational Development

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