Doctoral Students’ Association Report  
Faculty Council – April 12, 2013  

Submitted by:  
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The DSA would like to extend an invitation to all faculty and staff at the iSchool to join the PhD students at an **end-of-year social celebration**.  
Friday, May 3, 2013  
5:00 p.m.  
Bedford Academy - 36 Prince Arthur Ave.  

**Review of Events**  

**KNOWLEDGE SHARING**  
- The weekly research focused _Hey _______ events on Fridays have been consistently booked throughout the semester  
- Covering mock DRR defences, upcoming presentation run-throughs, idea development, specialized knowledge sharing, and so forth  
- Weekly _Decompression Thursdays_ to foster PhD collegiality, collaboration, and informal knowledge sharing  
- Communication improvements have been successful as the DSA continues to post items to the [www.ischooldsa.ca](http://www.ischooldsa.ca) website  
- March 15, 2013 – Peer-Review Workshop  
  - Thank you to Patrick Keilty for leading the workshop and to all the faculty members that participated  
- March 27, 2013 - PhD iTea  
  - Presentations by Jenna Jacobson, Dan Southwick, Hannah Turner, Matt Wells, and Chris Young  
  - Thank you to the organizing committee for inviting us  
- April 25-26, 2013 (_upcoming_) PhD Research Days  

**TECHNOLOGY**  
- Numerous tech. fund purchases have been made based on extensive student feedback and official votes  
- Purchases include an iPad, several noise-cancelling headphones, Apple TV, and Roku  
- Future plans for a high-end research computer, qualitative and quantitative software, and digital SLR camera  

**SPACE**  
- There is considerable demand for student offices in Bissell 705  
- Currently, there are very few office spaces available. The DSA is concerned about the influx of next year's students if no further spaces open up