



# ACADEMICS NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2011



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### Introducing EBSS Academics

Brand new this year, EBSS Academics will be keeping you informed about all academic events and happenings in the 2011-2012 academic year. This will include updates on upcoming local events, conferences, and competitions. Make sure to check out our monthly issue and our Facebook page to see what is coming at Edwards.

### Locals Events This Month

NSBA Club Connect Breakfast  
September 9, 2011  
The Saskatoon Club

NSBA Luncheon With Premier Brad Wall  
September 14, 2011  
PrairieLand Park

STEP Sharpening Your Competitive  
Edge Seminar  
September 20, 2011

NSBA Club Connect Breakfast  
September 23, 2011  
The Saskatoon Club

For more information about local events in Saskatoon, please contact Trista Olszewski at [trista.olszewski@usask.ca](mailto:trista.olszewski@usask.ca).

### When I Was In 1st Year, I Wish I Knew....

"Get to know your profs; they will be your references & your guardians through the course. If you know them everything goes so much smoother" - **Matthew Hamilton**

"When I was in first year I wish I knew the importance of every exam, assignment and in class activity. Nothing gets dropped. First term of first year is tough and takes some adapting but staying positive allows one to feel comfortable pretty quick. Give everything you got to keep your options open when you want to choose your major in second year.. And most importantly have fun while doing it all" – **Chris Gonari**

"I wish I would have known how to prepare for the difference between high school and university better so that I would have gotten better grades in first term!" – **Nicole Ledray**

### Why Would I Attend Conferences and Competitions?

Conferences and Competitions are a great way to get involved not only with the Edwards School of Business but also with the rest of the Canadian business community. Here are some of the benefits you might find from attending these events:

- Great resume builders
- Unique networking destinations to meet students and professionals
- Competitions are an excellent way to strengthen your academic abilities with real life case scenarios
- Conferences host exclusive speakers and personal development seminars
- More fun than anything else you'll do in university

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## Upcoming Conferences & Competitions

Go online and check out these conferences and competitions

### Conferences

#### **Net Impact Conference**

(Portland, OR) October 27-29, 2011

<http://2011.netimpact.org/>

Highlights:

- Nike, Starbucks, Exxon, Mastercard and many other high-profile firms sponsoring the 2011 edition
- Several high-price, high-profile Keynotes
- Last year 14 countries and 129 other schools were represented

#### **Brock University Accounting Conference**

(Niagara Falls, ON) - November 18-20, 2011

<http://www.buac.ca/>

Highlights:

- Conference with a case component
- Focused on the changes in technology in the accounting profession

#### **Queen's Conference on International Business**

(Toronto, ON) - January 2012

<http://www.qcib.ca/>

Highlights:

- History of high profile speakers and sponsors
- Unique Canadian forum for discussion about International Business

### Competitions

#### **Alberta Energy Challenge**

(Edmonton, AB) - Sept 29<sup>th</sup> to Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011

Alberta School Business

Highlights:

- Case Competition focused on exploring opportunities and challenges in the dynamic energy sector/industry

#### **EDGE Business Competition**

(Edmonton, AB) - February 3 – 5, 2012

Alberta School of Business

Highlights:

- EDGE - Energy Determination Glory Excellence Business Competition
- Interactive, multidisciplinary, high energy case competition

#### **Excalibur**

March 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> 2012

Montreal, Quebec

Highlights:

- This Case Competition is a captivating contest that teaches students how to solve real-life work situations
- Will challenge student's individual & group performance while providing participants with a chance to sample the vibrant, multi-ethnic atmosphere of the city of Montreal



### How Do I Apply For Conferences and Competitions?

We want you to have the opportunity to get out and experience everything university has to offer. To apply for a conference or competition, please submit a short (750 words max.) write-up explaining why you would like to attend that event and why you believe you are a strong candidate to represent the Edwards School of Business to Adam Stewart at [adam.stewart@usask.ca](mailto:adam.stewart@usask.ca).

We will help you register for the event, find colleagues to send with you, and subsidize a portion of the expense. It is important that the students of Edwards represent our school well at all events and spread our University's brand across both Canada and the globe.

For more information about *conferences*, please contact Cole Thorpe at [cole.thorpe@usask.ca](mailto:cole.thorpe@usask.ca)

For more information about *competitions*, please contact Krystal Aulie at [aulie.krystal@usask.ca](mailto:aulie.krystal@usask.ca)

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