



## Virtual Program

Voices from the community, for the community – EdTalks are “TED Talk” style presentations created to shine a spotlight on HGSE students and their educational impact around the world.

**Thursday, April 11th, 2024**

EdTalks: **4:30 – 5:30PM (ET)**, Askwith Hall or [Livestream](#)

Reception: **5:30 – 6:30PM**, Garden Room, First Floor of the Gutman Library

### Welcome

*Andrea Le, Office of Student Affairs*

*Chloe Bausano & Jordan Weatherl, HGSE Student Council Members*

### **Pranav Arwari, HDE '24**

#### **Queer Adventures in Education**

*Pranav is pursuing an Ed.M. at HGSE and possesses professional expertise as a facilitator and educator on subjects relating to Gender, Sexuality, and Disability. Additionally, they serve as a co-creator at the Feminist Leadership Lab at UN Women India, focusing on advancing LGBTQ+ rights and education.*

### **Brad Bailey, LDIT '24**

#### **Oral History and the Power of Community, Social, and Educational Impact**

*Brad Bailey is an oral historian, filmmaker, journalist, and educator. He graduated from Yale University with a degree in Political Science and received a master's degree in public policy from Princeton University. He also received his master's degree in journalism at University of California, Berkeley and a Master's in Oral History from Columbia University. His thesis short documentary, Hale, about Bay Area disability rights pioneer Hale Zukas, won the Student Academy Award in 2017. He is currently a Student at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.*

### **Thalia Carroll-Cachimuel, ELOE '24**

#### **Building Movement Infrastructure for Indigenous Self-Determination Across Turtle Island**

*Thalia Yarina Carroll-Cachimuel (she/her, Kichwa-Otavalo) is a current M.Ed. Candidate in the Education Leadership, Organizations, and Entrepreneurship Program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. She is participating in the Field Experience course with national Indigenous-led organization, NDN Collective. Thalia's professional career has been rooted in the realm of reimagining philanthropy, uplifting BIPOC organizations, and advocating for Indigenous communities through political policies. Thalia is an alumnus of the Fellowship for Emerging Leaders in Public Service at NYU Wagner and holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Services from Northeastern University.*

### **Tiffany MacLennan, EPA '24**

#### **Stagnation of Strategy: Why Canadian Universities Must Move Beyond Hope**

*Before becoming a HGSE student, Tiffany was a higher education consultant based in Toronto, Ontario, with a keen focus on academic innovation, strategic growth, and adaptive governance in the higher education sector. Her talk, titled "Stagnation of Strategy: Why Canadian Universities Must Move Beyond*

*Hope," dives deep into the critical need for Canadian universities to adopt actionable, innovative strategies over reliance on "hope strategy" for a sustainable future.*

**Fiorella Fachini, EPA '24**

**Proud Latinas: Breaking Barriers, Building Community, Creating Leaders**

*Fiorella is a current student in the Education Policy and Analysis master's program with a concentration in Identity, Power, and Justice. She is a proud Peruvian American and is the co-founder of Proud Latinas, a project that seeks to create a safe space for young Latinas in San Antonio, Texas. Through Proud Latinas, young female Latine students break barriers, build community, and become leaders.*

**Karimot Odebode, EPA '24**

**Transforming Education: Empowering Students through Soft Skills and Out of Classroom Learnings**

*Karimot Odebode is a lawyer, education advocate, and an award-winning poet from Ibadan, Nigeria. She is the founder and project lead at the Black Girl's Dream Initiative, a youth-led organization working to transform education. Karimot is the author of the poetry collection 'a woman has many names' and she uses her poetry to foster sustainable development and create a safe world for girls and women. She is one of the 17 Young Leaders for the SDGs recognized by the United Nations and a member of the UNESCO 2024-2025 SDG4 Youth & Students Network. Karimot is a master's student at Harvard University where she is studying Education Policy and Analysis.*

**Sienna Xu, ELOE '24**

**Crafting Your Future: Principles of Life Design**

*Sienna is a life design coach and positive psychology educator currently pursuing a Master's in Education Leadership, Organizations, and Entrepreneurship at HGSE. She leads the Student Experience Team at the Teaching and Learning Lab and co-founded HGSE TEMPO, where she fosters musical and creative collaboration. As the founder of Virtualus, Sienna is at the forefront of developing a virtual platform for life design, drawing on her extensive background as a UNESCO consultant and master trainer to enhance both educational and entrepreneurial landscapes.*

**Closing**

**Thank you for coming and please join us for a reception after the presentations in the Garden Room (first floor of the Gutman Library).**