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2010 ECEGSA Scholarship Application Workshop

Tuesday, Sept. 21, 5-6pm

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Outline for Today

- Introductions
- Statements/Contributions
- Research Proposal



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Introductions

A bit about the presenters:

- Toufiqul Islam - 2nd year PhD student, Communications group, holding Killam Fellowship (UBC's top PhD scholarship)
- Adam Noel - 2nd year MASc student, Communications group, held NSERC CGS-M, now holding UBC Affiliated Fellowship



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Statements / Contributions

Summary:

- Master's - 1 page, PhD - 2 page, use all your space!
- Research/Extra-curricular split is 30/20 for Masters, 50/20 for PhD



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Statements / Contributions

A few things to keep in mind:

- Truthful account of personal accomplishments
- Don't leave hanging questions
- Don't make assumptions that committee knows about standards in other countries or continents
- Include role and duration of involvements
- Clearly distinguish between submitted/accepted/published



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Research Proposal

Summary

- One page (use all your space!)
- Emphasize benefit to society



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Research Proposal

Do:

- Make it understandable to someone outside your field of research
- Maintain coherence
- Use structure (Background, open problem, objectives, specific goals (2/3), significance of work)
- Include specifics to demonstrate technical substance
- Include appropriate references (no more than 3)

Don't:

- Address too many problems
- Use abbreviations without explaining
- Focus on current work



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A Few Extra Hints

- Have your supervisor or more senior students read over your documents
- Give your referees lots of time to make their references and send them your documents



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Q&A

Any Questions?

Toufiq's Application: <http://www.ece.ubc.ca/~toufiq/ugf.pdf>

<http://www.ece.ubc.ca/~ecegsa>



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