#### **Sked Exploratory Research Plan**

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## **Background**

Here is Vancouver! Graduate students at the Centre for Digital Media are not only dedicated to schoolwork, but also involved in all kinds of projects. However, there is no efficient tool to help university students manage both their school and personal lives.

#### Goals

Identify current CDM students' needs and pain points for managing their life, and provide opportunities for designing a digital management tool for them.

## **Research Questions**

Part 1. Personal Management

- 1. How do you manage/organize/keep track of your personal tasks (deadlines, schedules, emails, events)?
  - a. Do you use any physical tools? When? How?
  - b. Do you use any digital tools? When? How?
- 2. How do you manage/organize/keep track of your work/project tasks?
  - a. Do you use any physical tools? When? How?
  - b. Do you use any digital tools? When? How?
- 3. How do you feel about your current management strategy and techniques?
- 4. Any improvement you want to make?

#### Methodology

Behavior interviews will be held in our project room with 10 participants. Each participant session will last 15-20 minutes and will include a short briefing and an interview.

## **Participants**

These are the primary characteristics of the study's participants:

- CDM student
- Age 23 to 30
- Uses the PC/Mac at least 2 hours per day.

# Schedule

• Recruiting: begins on May 31

Study day: June 1

• Results delivery: June 3