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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Search engines
Algorithmic bias
Computational Social Sciences

EDUCATION

Dec 2019 – current

PhD Candidate in Political Communication
University of Passau, Germany

Running title: *Search Engines as Mediators of Foreign Influence: A Case-Study of Russian News Flows Abroad through the Search Engines Google and Yandex*

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Florian Toepfl

2016 – 2019

MA Media and Political Communication
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

2017 – 2018

MA Global Media Communication (Exchange semester)
University of Melbourne, Australia

2013 – 2016

BA Media and Communication Studies
Minor in Computer Science
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

2012 – 2013

Studienkolleg, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany
German university entrance qualification

2010 – 2012

BA Social Work (4 semesters)
Minor in Public Relations
National University of "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy", Ukraine

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dec 2019 – current

Researcher
University of Passau, Germany
ERC Consolidator Grant Research Group
"The Consequences of the Internet for Russia's Informational Influence Abroad" (RUSINFORM)

Oct 2020 – current

Teaching Assistant
University of Passau, Germany
Chair of Science Communication

Jun 2019 – Nov 2019	Researcher Freie Universität Berlin, Germany Institute for Media and Communication Studies Emmy-Noether Research Group “Mediating (Semi-) Authoritarianism: The Power of the Internet in the post-Soviet Space” (Project Completion)
Jan 2015 – May 2019	Student Research Assistant Freie Universität Berlin, Germany Institute for Media and Communication Studies Emmy-Noether Research Group “Mediating (Semi-) Authoritarianism: The Power of the Internet in the post-Soviet Space”
Sep 2016 – Mar 2018	Student Research Assistant Goefak Media Research Institute, Berlin, Germany Television Analysis Project (Content analysis)
Sep 2015 – Nov 2015	Conference Organization Assistant International Centre for Journalism, Berlin, Germany Organization of the conference “ <i>Tweeting the war: Social Media and War Coverage in Ukraine</i> ”
Mar 2012 – Sep 2012	PR Assistant American Councils in Ukraine Internship
2012	Media Operations Volunteer UEFA European Championship 2012 Poland/Ukraine

TEACHING

Oct 2020 – current	“Programming in R for Communication Science” (WS 21/22) Course Syllabus: https://github.com/polcomm-passau/computational-methods-kurs “Methods 2: Survey Methodology and Experiment” (SoSe 21) “Search Engines and Search Engine Bias” (WS 20/21) Lecturer University of Passau, Germany
Oct 2019 – Apr 2020	“Web Scraping for Social Sciences” Advanced Project Leader Technical University of Berlin, Germany
2016 – 2019	“Introduction to Communication Science” Tutor, 2 bi-weekly classes per semester for 5 semesters Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

FURTHER EDUCATION & ACHIEVEMENTS

Jul 2021	Data Science Summer School, Hertie School Data Science Lab
Sep 2020	Workshop "Topic Modeling in R", GESIS
Oct-Nov 2019	Course "Python Programming for Machine Learning", Technical University of Berlin (3 ECTS)
Jul 2019	Lehre+ Zertifikat - Grundlagenmodul (60 Stunden)
May 2019	ICA 2019 Pre-Conference / Workshop "Deep learning for automated image analysis", Washington, D.C., USA
Nov 2018	Workshop "Data analysis and programming with Python", Freie University of Berlin, Germany
Jul 2018	Digital Methods Summer School 2018, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, 6 ECTS
Jun 2017	PROMOS Scholarship (DAAD), German Government Programme (3,500 Euro)
Dec 2016	TOEFL IBT Test in English (112 Points out of 120)
2008 - 2009	Scholarship from the US Department of State, exchange year in Iowa, USA, program "FLEX" (Future Leaders Exchange Program)

SKILLS

Computer skills	Python, R, SPSS, CMS, Gephi, Haskell, Java, C++, PHP & MySQL, HTML, CSS, Django
Language skills	Russian, Ukrainian - native speaker English, German - fluent Spanish, Belarusian - basic knowledge

CONFERENCES

Jan 2021	Seminar Series "Political Communication in Russia, Eastern Europe and Eurasia", University of Passau (Presenting Participant)
Sep 2020	General Online Research (GOR) Conference 2020, HTW Berlin, Germany (Non-Presenting Participant)

- Nov 2019 DigiKomm2019 Conference “Automating Communication in the Networked Society: Contexts, Consequences, Critique”, Berlin, Germany (Presenting Participant)
- Jun 2019 Workshop "Theorizing Publics under Authoritarian Rule", FU Berlin, Germany (Organizer & Non-Presenting Participant)
- May 2019 69th Annual Conference of International Communication Association (ICA) 2019, Washington, D.C., USA
- Apr 2019 7th International Conference Comparative Media Studies in Today's World, St. Petersburg, Russia (Presenting Participant)

PUBLICATIONS

Kravets, D., & Toepfl, F. (2021). Gauging Reference and Source Bias Over Time: How Russia's Partially State-Controlled Search Engine Yandex Mediated an Anti-Regime Protest Event. *Information, Communication & Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1369118X.2021.1933563>