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**Chen, G.M., Pain, P., & Fadnis, D.** (2016). Over-sharing in a political sex scandal. In H. Mandell & G.M. Chen (Eds.), *Scandal in a digital age* (pp. 131-144), Palgrave Macmillan.

Mandell, H., & **Chen, G.M.** (2016). Scandal in an age of likes, selfies, and retweets. In H. Mandell & G.M. Chen (Eds.), *Scandal in a digital age* (pp. 3-14), Palgrave Macmillan.

**Chen, G.M., & Mandell, H.** (2016). Predicting a new scandal environment in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. In H. Mandell & G.M. Chen (Eds.), *Scandal in a digital age* (pp. 209-215), Palgrave Macmillan.

## **Peer-Reviewed Research Presentations**

Koo, G.H., Lukito, J., **Masullo, G.**, Overgaard, C., & Orr, B. (2025, May) *Did Twitter become more hospitable to minoritized groups after Elon Musk's takeover? A computational analysis of LGBTQIA+ tweets*. Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Denver, CO.

\***Masullo, G.M.**, & Kim, S. “Bogeyman terms”: *Understanding politically conservative Americans' folk theories about news bias*. (2024, August) Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the Associate for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Philadelphia, PA. **First-Place Faculty Paper**.

Varma, A., **Masullo, G.M.**, Limov, B., Sun, M., Graham, E., & Malik, K. “*My body, my choice*” versus “*officials say*”: *Examining the effects of solidarity and monitorial reporting*. (2024, August). Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the Associate for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Stroud, N.J., Moravec, T., Collier, J., Murray, C., Graham, E., **Masullo, G.M.**, & Rajadesingan, A. (2024, May). *Cross-cutting political talk in non-political digital spaces turns participants off*. Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Australia.

**Masullo, G.M.** (2023, August). *Coming out way later in life: How digital media support sapphic revelation in middle age*. Presented to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, & Queer Interest Group of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication for its annual conference, Washington, D.C.

\*Koo, G.H., **Masullo, G.M.**, Orr, B., & Huang, Q.E. (2023, August). *Understanding the Twitter discourse around anti-LGBTQIA+ legislation through topic modeling, sentiment analysis, and toxicity detection*. Presented to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, & Queer Interest Group of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Washington, D.C. **Top Faculty Paper**.

Stroud, N.J., Murray, C., Kim, Y., **Masullo, G.M.**, & Overgaard, C.S.B. (2023, May). *The effects of removing news comments and changing news comment platforms*. Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Toronto, Canada.

**Masullo, G.M.** (2022, September). *A new solution to polarized disagreement: Priming a sense of common humanity*. Presented to the American Political Science Association at its annual conference, Montreal, Canada.

**Masullo, G.M.**, Brown, D.N., & Harlow, S. (2022, August). *Shifting the protest paradigm? Legitimizing and humanizing protest coverage lead to more positive attitudes toward protest, mixed results on news credibility*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Detroit, MI.

**Masullo, G.M.** (2022, May). *Facebook reactions are related to commenting frequency on local news posts about COVID-19*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Paris, France.

**Masullo, G.M.**, Wilhelm, C., *Lee, T.*, Gonçalves, J., *Riedl, M.*, & Stroud, N.J. (2022, May). *Signaling news outlet trustworthiness in a Google Knowledge Panel: A conjoint experiment in Brazil, Germany, and the United States*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Paris, France

**Masullo, G.M.** & Duchovnay, M. (September, 2021). *Theorizing a typology of political self-silencing*. Presented to the American Political Science Association at its annual conference, Seattle, WA. [Presentation was virtual because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

*Riedl, M.J., Masullo, G.M., & Wilner, T.* (2021, August). *Focus groups in communication, journalism, and media research: A reappraisal*. Presented to the Communication Theory and Methodology Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

Ziegele, M., *Riedl, M.J., Masullo, G.M.*, & Whipple, K.N. (2021, May). *Can media breaks lessen the burden of comment moderation? The effects of hedonic and eudaimonic media entertainment on moderators' recovery experience and moderation accuracy*. Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Masullo, G.M.**, Jennings, J., & Stroud, N.J. (2021, May). *Crisis coverage gap: Divide between public interest and local digital news coverage of COVID-19*. Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

Lu, S., Liang, H., & **Masullo, G.M.** (2021, May). *Order, proportion, or both? Investigating the effects of online incivility in news comment sections*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Masullo, G.M.**, Overgaard, C.S.B., Duchovnay, M., & Moore, C. (2021, May). *Connective democracy: A new way to bridge political divides*. Presented to the Political Communication Division International Communication Association at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Masullo, G.M.**, *Lee, T.*, & *Riedl, M.J.* (2021, May). *Signaling Credibility at the Domain Level: Can the Google Knowledge Panel Cue News Credibility Perceptions?* Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

Gonçalves, J.F., *Weber, I.*, **Masullo, G.M.**, Torres da Silva, M., & Hofhuis, J. (2021, May). *Civility or censorship: how algorithmic moderators and message type influence perceptions of online content deletion*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

Torres da Silva, M., Gonçalves, J.F., *Weber, I.H.*, Hofhuis, J., & **Masullo, G.M.** (2020, October). *Fair or flawed: How content, moderator, and message information impact perceptions of online hate speech moderation*. Presented to the 8<sup>th</sup> European Communication Conference, Braga, Portugal.

**\*Masullo, G.M., Riedl, J.M., & Tenenboim, O.** (2020, August). *Dialectics of complexity: A five-country examination of perceptions of social media platforms*. Presented to the International Communication Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.] **Top Paper, Third Place, Robert L. Stevenson Open Paper Competition.**

**Wilner, T., Valle, D.A.M., & Masullo, G.M.** (2020, August). *Greater expectations: How the public perceives news bias and journalistic routines*. Presented to the Newspaper and Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Chen, G.M.** (2020, June). What's uncivil? It depends on where you live. Accepted for presentation to the Multidisciplinary Approaches to Political Discourse conference, University of Liverpool, Liverpool, England. [Conference canceled because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Riedl, M., Naab, T., Chen, G.M., Jost, P., & Ziegele, M.** (2020, May). *Regulating comments: Attitudes of Germans and Americans toward regulation by citizens, platforms, or law enforcement*. Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Gold Coast, Australia. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Muddiman, A., Tenenboim, O., Chen, G.M., & Saldána, M.** (2020, May). *Gatekeeping versus gatewatching: Do the topics of online comments that journalists reject differ from those that readers flag?* Presented to the International Communication Association at its annual meeting, Gold Coast, Australia. [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Heinbach, D., Ziegele, M., Chen, G.M., Riedl, M.J., Naab, T.K., Jost, P.** (2020, March). *Der Ton macht die Musik. Wie die Verbal-Person-Centered Theory den Einfluss von Moderationskommentaren auf die Einstellungen der Nutzer gegenüber Nachrichtenmedien erklärt*. Accepted for presentation to annual meeting of the German Communication Association (DGPhK), Munich, Germany. [Conference canceled because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

**Peacock, C., Chen, G.M., & Stroud, N.J.** (2019, November). *What's in a label? The effect of news labels on perceived content credibility*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the National Communication Association at its annual conference, Baltimore, MD.

**Riedl, M.J., Chen, G.M., & Whipple, K.N.** (2019, September). *Exploring detrimental digital labor: How online incivility influences comment moderators*. Presented at the Austrian Research and Innovation Talk (ARIT) 2019 Poster Session, New York, NY.

**Shermak, J., Chen, G.M., Riedl, M.J., Brown, J., & Tenenboim, O.** (2019, August/September). *Online political talk: Policy comments conform more to democratic norms, but horse race comments get more attention*. Presented to the Information Technology and Politics Division of the American Political Science Association at its annual conference, Washington, DC.

**\*Chen, G.M., Ziegele, M., Riedl, M.J., Jost, P., & Naab, T. (2019, August). *Online disagreement comments: It's not what you say, but how you say it.*** Presented to the Newspaper Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Toronto, Canada. **Top Faculty Paper, First Place, and Research Prize for Professional Relevance, Second Place.**

**\*Chen, G.M., Curry, A., & Whipple, K.N. (2019, August). *The story behind the story: How transparency about the journalistic process boosts news outlet credibility.*** Presented to the Newspaper Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Toronto, Canada. **Top Faculty Paper, Second Place.**

**Chen, G.M. (2019, August). *#Blocked: Engaging with politicians on social media in the age of Trump.*** Presented to the Mass Communication and Society Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Toronto, Canada.

**Riedl, M.J., Chen, G.M., & Whipple, K.N. (2019, May). *Flow and incivility in online news comment moderation.*** Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Washington, DC.

**Chen, G.M., Riedl, M.J., & Huang, Q.E. (2018, November). *Taming incivility in online comment streams.*** Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the National Communication Association at its annual conference, Salt Lake City, UT.

**Pain, P., & Chen, G.M. (2018, November). *The President is in: Public opinion and the presidential use of Twitter.*** Presented to the Midwest Association of Public Opinion Research at its annual conference, Chicago, IL.

**Kim, J., & Chen, G.M. (2018, August/September). *Incivility or civility: Which works best to dispel fake political news?*** Presented to the Political Communication Division of the American Political Science Association at its annual conference, Boston, MA.

**\*Chen, G.M., Lu, S., & Fadnis, D. (2018, May). *Speaking out: How incivility and emotions “unspiral” the spiral of silence.*** Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Prague, Czech Republic. **Top Faculty Paper, Third Place.**

**Chen, G.M., Tenenboim, O., & Lu, S. (2018, May). *The power of incivility: How nasty online comments influence people’s perceptions of a news website.*** Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Prague, Czech Republic.

**\*Chen, G.M., Fadnis, D., & Whipple, K. (2018, May). *Can we talk about race? Exploring online comments about four race-related shootings in America.*** Presented to the Race and Ethnicity Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Prague, Czech Republic. **Top Faculty Paper, Third Place.**

**Riedl, M.J., Chen, G.M., Whipple, K.N. (2017, December). *Menial, meaningful, miserable? Flow and the effects of incivility in moderating online news comments.*** Presented to the All Things in Moderation: The People, Practices and Politics of Online Content Review – Human and Machine Conference at UCLA, Los Angeles, CA.

**Chen, G.M., Shermak, J.L., Brown, J., Riedl, M.J., & Tenenboim, O.** (2017, September). *Uncivil or deliberative? News comments in the 2016 primaries and general election.* Presented to the Political Communication Division of the American Political Science Association at its annual conference, San Francisco, CA.

**Chen, G.M.** (2017, August). “*Defensive effect*”: *Uncivil disagreement upsets me, so I want to speak out politically.* Presented to the Mass Communication and Society Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Chicago, IL.

**Chen, G.M., Ng, Y.M.M., Chen, V.Y., & Riedl, M.J.** (2017, August). *Gaming the news: Examining the effects of online political quizzes on interest in news and politics.* Presented to the Newspaper and Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Chicago, IL.

**Riedl, M.J., Chen, G.M., Brown, J., Shermak, J., & Tenenboim, O.** (2017, August/September). *Schadenfreude, chagrin, and deliberation: Discussing the 2016 U.S. presidential election in online news comments.* Presented to the Political Communication Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Chicago, IL.

**Chen, G.M., Chen, V.Y., & Pain, P.** (2017, May). *Disrupting routines: How gendered harassment in online comments affects female journalists in the United States and Taiwan.* Presented to the “Comments, anyone? Multidisciplinary approaches for analyzing comments across news and other formats” pre-conference of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, San Diego, CA.

**Chen, G.M.** (2017, May). *Incivility and deliberation: Understanding the discourse around race, sexual orientation, and politics through online comments.* Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, San Diego, CA.

**Chen, G.M., Tenenboim, O., & Lu, S.** (2017, May). “*Hostile audience effect*”: *How uncivil online comments damage how the audience views a news website.* Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, San Diego, CA.

**Chen, G.M., & Pain, P.** (2016, August). *Normalizing online commenting: Exploring how journalists deal with incivility on news sites.* Presented to the Newspaper and Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Minneapolis, MN.

**Chen, G.M., & Ng, Y.M.M.** (2016, August). *Nasty comments anger you more than me, but nice ones make me as happy as you.* Presented to the Mass Communication and Society Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Minneapolis, MN.

**Chen, G.M., & Zheng, P.** (2016, August). *Online public discourse: Exploring differences in responses to civil and uncivil disagreement in news story comments.* Presented to the Mass Communication and Society Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Minneapolis, MN.

\***Ng, Y.M.M., Chen, G.M., & Chen, V.Y.** (2016, August). *Quizzical attraction of online personality quizzes: A uses and gratifications perspective*. Presented to the Communication Technology Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Minneapolis, MN. **Third-Place, Gene Burd Faculty Research Paper Competition.**

**Oz, M., Zheng, P., & Chen, G.M.** (2016, May). *Social media, politeness, and discussion quality*. Presented to the World Association for Public Opinion Research at its annual conference, Austin, TX.

**Chen, G.M., & Zheng, P.** (2016, June). *The “defensive effect”: Uncivil comments indirectly increase intention to participate politically, through negative affect*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Fukuoka, Japan.

**Chen, G.M., Fadnis, D., & Lu, S.** (2016, June). *Unspiraling the silence: Online incivility and likelihood to speak out about safety of childhood vaccines*. Presented to the Health Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Fukuoka, Japan.

**Lu, S., Chen, G.M., & Fadnis, D.** (2016, June). *Trolling the outspokenness: Exploring the effects of incivility on spiral of silence in news comment websites*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Fukuoka, Japan.

**Kurambayev, B., & Chen, G.M.** (2016, June). *Offline political engagement leads to online political voice among Kyrgyzstan bloggers*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Fukuoka, Japan.

\***Chen, G.M.** (2016, April). *Nasty news story comments indirectly increase intention to participate politically for women, mediated through negative affect*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the Southern States Communication Association at its annual conference, Austin, TX. **Top Faculty Research Paper.**

**Chen, G.M., & Ng, Y.M. M.** (2015, August). *The third-person effect of news story comments*. Presented to the Newspaper and Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, San Francisco, CA.

**Pain, P., Chen, G.M., & Campbell, C.P.** (2015, August). *Teaching multimedia journalism to high school students through the lens of Freedom Summer*. Presented to the Scholastic Journalism Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, San Francisco, CA.

**Chen, G.M., Chen, P.S., Abedin, Z., & Chang, C.-W.** (2014, November). *Quality matters: Low-quality news videos damage newspapers’ credibility, favorability, and likelihood to get paid for content*. Presented to the Mass Communication Division of the National Communication Association at its annual conference, Chicago, IL.

**Chen, G.M.** (2014, April). *Who “friends”? A mediation model of how extraversion, Facebook usage, and gender predict number of Facebook “friends.”* Presented to the

Popular Communication Division of the Southern States Communication Association at its annual conference, New Orleans, LA.

*Chen, P.S., Wilson, N., Chen, G.M., & Chang, C.-W. (2014, April). Debunking the myth that shorter is better: Viewers prefer high-quality news videos, regardless of length.*

Presented to the Mass Communication Division of Southern States Communication Association at its annual conference, New Orleans, LA.

*Chen, G.M., Mandell, H., & Wolf, J. (2013, August). Vicariously rejected: Political-sex-scandal coverage primes negative attitude toward sexual betrayal.* Presented to the Newspaper and Online News Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Washington, DC.

*Chen, G.M. (2012, November). How much does that tick you off? Online rejection and criticism hurt – but not as much as ostracism.* Presented to the Human Communication and Technology Division of the National Communication Association at its annual conference, Orlando, FL.

Zhang, J. Chock, T. M., **Chen, G. M.**, Schweisberger, V., & Wang, Y. (2012, August). *The impact of HIV PSAs on attitudes, behavioral intentions and risk perception as a function of evidence form, argument quality, personal relevance and gender.* Presented at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication annual conference, Chicago, IL.

*Chen, G.M., Schweisberger, V.N., & Gilmore, K.S. (2012, May). “Conductor effect”: Violent video game play extends anger, leading to triggered displaced aggression among women.* Presented to the Game Studies Division of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Phoenix, AZ.

*Chen, G.M. (2011, August). Don’t call me that: Examining the discourse that precedes the term “mommy blogger.”* Presented to the Commission on the Status of Women of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, St. Louis, MO.

Zhang, J., Chock, T.M., **Chen, G.M.**, Wang, Y., & Schweisberger, V.N. (2011, May). *Message features matter more than evidence form: An experiment of HIV PSAs using physiological measures.* Presented to the Health Communication Unit of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Boston, MA.

Chock, T.M., Zhang, J., Wang, Y., **Chen, G.M.**, & Schweisberger, V.N. (2011, May). *Novel sex stories! The effects of message type, novelty, and sexual content on attention to HIV PSAs.* Presented to the Information Systems Unit of the International Communication Association at its annual conference, Boston, MA.

**\*Chen, G. M., Williams, S., Hendrickson, N., Chen, L. (2010, August). Mammy revisited: How media portrayals of overweight black women affect how black women feel about themselves.** Presented to the Commission on the Status of Women of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Denver, CO. **Top-Three Research Paper.**

**Chen, G. M., & Arnould, K. (2010, March). Tweet this: How active users connect on Twitter.** Presented to the Communication Technology Division of the Association for

Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its midwinter conference, Norman, OK.

**Masullo, G.** (1997, August). *Newspaper nonreadership: A study of motivations*. Presented to the Newspaper Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at its annual conference, Chicago, IL.

## RESEARCH CONTRACTS/GRANTS/GIFTS

### *AWARDED*

2024-2027    Knight Foundation  
Connective Democracy Research Initiative/Center for Media Engagement  
Co-Principal Investigators: **G.M. Masullo**, J. Lukito, A. Rajadesingan, N.J. Stroud  
Total: \$3 million

2022-2023    The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation  
Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$250,000

2021-2022    The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation  
Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$170,000

2021            Trusting News/American Press Institute  
Re-Engaging the Right/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Co-Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Total: \$23,006

2021-2022    Democracy Fund  
Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$400,000

2020            Dallas Free Press  
Serving Media Audiences in Dallas/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Co-Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Total: \$18,959

2020            Google News Initiative

Domain-level Trust Indicators/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$261,230

2019-2020 Trusting News/American Press Institute  
Broadcast Trust Indicators/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Co-Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud.  
Total: \$18,020

2019-2024 Knight Foundation  
Connective Democracy Research Initiative/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigators: **G.M. Chen**, S. Stroud, S. Woolley, A. Dudo, and M. Lease  
Total: \$2.5 million

2019-2020 Facebook  
Hate Speech Moderation on Facebook  
Principal Investigator: J. Gonçalves  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$100,032

2018-2019 University of Missouri-Columbia  
Build Trust/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Co-Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Total: \$66,697

2018-2019 American Press Institute  
Questions Readers Have About Journalism/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$6,095

2018-2019 Omidyar Network  
Assessing the Health of the Digital Public Sphere/Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$263,000

2018-2020 The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation  
Center for Media Engagement  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$510,000

2018-2019 Texas A&M International University  
Incivility and Misinformation

	Principal Investigator: J. Kim Co-Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$10,000
2017-2020	Democracy Fund Center for Media Engagement Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud Co-Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$900,000
2017-2018	Moody College of Communication Hybrid-Online Journalism Course Creation Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$5,000
2017-2018	Vice President for Research, The University of Texas at Austin Incivility in News Comments Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$750
2016-2017	Qualtrics Survey Software Company Incivility and Speaking Out Online Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$5,000
2015-2016	Center for Women's & Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin Effect of Incivility on Emotions and Political Participation Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$2,000
2015-2016	Vice President for Research, The University of Texas at Austin Incivility and the News Audience Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$350
2014-2015	School of Journalism, The University of Texas at Austin Incivility and Civic Engagement and Political Participation Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$3,500
2014-2015	Dow Jones News Fund High School Journalism Workshop Project, University of Southern Mississippi Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$5,000
2013-2014	Aubrey Keith Lucas and Ella Ginn Lucas Endowment, University of Southern Mississippi News Video Quality Principal Investigator: <b>G.M. Chen</b> Total: \$3,700
2012-2013	S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication, Syracuse University

Dissertation Research  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$2,000

2010-2011 S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, Syracuse University  
Personalizing News Websites  
Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$350

*SUBMITTED, NOT FUNDED*

2025-2026 National Science Foundation  
Incubation Project: Developing Strategies for Trustworthy Digital Donations.  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$96,647

2024 -2028 Economic and Social Research Council (United Kingdom)  
Project to examine how news organizations can better cover today's increasing attacks on the LGBTQIA+ people in ways that do not reify division or perpetuate misinformation about these groups.  
Principal Investigator: Andrew Chadwick  
Researcher: **Gina M. Masullo**  
Total: \$405,600

2021-2022 National Science Foundation  
Drawing on Existing Library Infrastructure and Networks to Develop Information Literacy and Rhetorical Analysis Skills through Immersive Training Modules: A Partnership among Information Science Professionals, Social Scientists, Libraries and Media Companies  
Principal Investigator: T. Blumenfield  
Senior Researcher: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$750,000

2021-2022 National Science Foundation  
Local Disinformation Pipelines  
Principal Investigator: N.J. Stroud  
Researcher: **G.M. Masullo**  
Total: \$750,000

2018-2021 National Science Foundation  
Collaborative Research: Data-Driven Curricular Experiences in Communications and STEM Diversity  
Principal Investigator: D. Murthy  
Co-Principal Investigator: **G.M. Chen**  
Total: \$509,101

2017-2020 National Science Foundation

Social Media Curricular Experiences and STEM Diversity  
Principal Investigator: D. Murthy  
Co-Principal Investigators: **G.M. Chen** and D.H. Robinson  
Total: \$599,863

### **Grant Reports**

*Italicized names indicate student co-authors when the majority of the work was conducted.*

#### **Center for Media Engagement (formerly Engaging News Project)**

Yao, S., **Masullo, G.M.**, Stroud, N.J., Lukito, J., Rajadesingan, A., and *Lin, Z.* (August, 2025). Connective posts: A new approach to political conversations on social media. Center for Media Engagement. <https://mediaengagement.org/research/connective-posts-social-media>

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**Masullo, G.M.**, West, K., Stroud, N.J., Fazio, L.K. (2023). Fact-checking approaches in broadcast news. *Center for Media Engagement*. <https://mediaengagement.org/research/fact-checking-approaches-in-broadcast-news/>

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*Riedl, M.J., Chen, G.M., & Whipple K. (2019). Moderating uncivil comments hurts trust in news. <https://mediaengagement.org/research/moderating-uncivil-comments/>*

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- Featured by the International News Media Association
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- Results published in *Journalism: Theory, Practice, and Criticism*
- Presented at American Society of News Editors (ASNE) Conference, Austin, TX; Journalism and Women Symposium, Austin, TX; and International Symposium on Online Journalism, Austin, TX

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- Results published in *Journalism Practice*

## AWARDS AND HONORS

2024 First-Place Faculty Paper, Mass Communication and Society Division, AEJMC, for “*Bogeyman terms*”: *Understanding politically conservative Americans’ folk theories about news bias*.

2023 Top Faculty Paper, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer Interest Group, AEJMC, for *Understanding the Twitter discourse around anti-LGBTQIA+ legislation through topic modeling, sentiment analysis, and toxicity detection*.

2020 Third-Place Robert L. Stevenson Open Paper Competition, International Communication Division, AEJMC, for *Dialectics of complexity: A five-country examination of perceptions of social media platforms*.

2019 First-Place Faculty Research Award, Newspaper and Online News Division, AEJMC, for *Online disagreement comments: It’s not what you say, but how you say it*

2019 Second-Place AEJMC Research Prize for Professional Relevance for *Online disagreement comments: It’s not what you say, but how you say it*

2019 Second-Place Faculty Research Award, Newspaper and Online News Division, AEJMC, for *The story behind the story: How transparency about the journalistic process boosts news outlet credibility*

2018 Third-Place Faculty Research Award, Ethnicity and Race in Communication Division, International Communication Association, for *Can we talk about race? Exploring online comments about four race-related shootings in America*

2018 Third-Place Faculty Research Award, Mass Communication and Society Division, International Communication Association, for *Speaking out: How incivility and emotions “unspiral” the spiral of silence*

2016 Third-Place Gene Burd Faculty Research Competition, Communication Technology Division, AEJMC, for *Quizzical attraction of online personality quizzes: A uses and gratifications perspective*

2016 Dean's Fellow Award, fall, Moody College of Communication, UT Austin

2016 Top Faculty Research Paper Award, Mass Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, for *Nasty news story comments indirectly increase intention to participate politically for women, mediated through negative affect*

2015 Fellow, Lillian Lodge Kopenhaver Center for the Advancement of Women in Communication, Florida International University and AEJMC's Commission on the Status of Women

2010 Top-Three Research Paper Award, Commission on the Status of Women, AEJMC, for *Mammy revisited: How media portrayals of overweight black women affect how black women feel about themselves*

2007 Fellow, Journalism Center on Children & Families seminar, Washington, DC

1993 The Associated Press Award, for special section on demise of Griffiss Air Force Base

1992 Gannett Well Done, Runner-Up Spot News Award for stories on fatal fire

1991 NY Press Association, Special Section Award, for coverage of airport transformation

1990 NY Press Association, First-Place Spot News, for coverage of disaster at school

1990 NY Press Association, Second-Place Rookie of the Year

## NON-PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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**Masullo, G.M.**, & McGourty Supple, C. (2020, July 8). News leaders and tech platforms must safeguard journalists from digital harassment to ensure press freedom. *Poynter Institute*. <https://www.poynter.org/ethics-trust/2020/news-leaders-and-tech-platforms-must-safeguard-journalists-from-digital-harassment-to-ensure-press-freedom/?fbclid=IwAR3A01VIzk15f8yM55n40udrurDKqOOD2vqbyffsZj5YT7LGeWkyrJQp9i0>

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Courses Taught

2014 – Present	School of Journalism and Media The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX Undergraduate Digital Storytelling Basics Gender & the News Journalism Portfolio Online Incivility Reporting Words Social Media Journalism Graduate Advanced Social Science Research Methods Introduction to Research Methods Fundamentals of Statistics Gender & the News (co-listed with undergrad course) Online Incivility (co-listed with undergrad course) Social Media Journalism (co-listed with undergrad course)
2012-2014	School of Mass Communication & Journalism University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS Undergraduate Advanced Reporting Feature Writing Investigative Strategies Multimedia Storytelling Social Media Engagement Survey of Mass Communication Graduate Introduction to Graduate Research
2009-2010	S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY Undergraduate Enterprise Reporting Newswriting

### Student Advising

#### **The University of Texas at Austin**

##### *Doctoral Dissertation Chair*

Soojeong Kim, Journalism and Media, in progress

Tamar Wilner, Journalism and Media, 2023

Jeremy Shermak, Journalism and Media, 2019  
Mustafa Oz, Journalism and Media, 2018  
Deepa Fadnis, Journalism and Media, 2018  
Shannon McGregor, Journalism and Media, 2018  
Pei Cindy Zheng, Journalism and Media, 2017

*Doctoral Dissertation Committee Member*

Joseph M Stepniewski, Journalism, in progress  
Yuting He, Journalism, in progress  
Yilin Huang, Advertising, in progress  
Bellkarina Solorzano, Advertising, in progress  
Kami Vinton, Journalism and Media, in progress  
Sungwong Jung, Journalism and Media, in progress  
Sheila Lalwani, Journalism and Media, in progress  
Omneya Ibrahim, Journalism and Media, in progress  
Christian Staal Bruun Overgaard, Journalism and Media, in progress  
Shimeng Dai, Journalism and Media, in progress  
Zelly Martin, Journalism and Media, 2025  
Dennis Cui, Journalism and Media, 2024  
Bin Chen, Journalism and Media, 2024  
Taeyoung Lee, Journalism and Media, 2023  
Hyun Koo, Journalism and Media, 2023  
Martin Riedl, Journalism and Media, 2021  
Ori Tenenboim, Journalism and Media, 2020  
Kelsey Whipple, Journalism and Media, 2020  
Ever Figueroa, Journalism and Media, 2020  
Shuning Lu, Journalism and Media, 2019  
Kyser Lough, Journalism and Media, 2019  
Shane Gruber, Journalism and Media, 2019  
Joseph Yoo, Journalism and Media, 2019  
Paromita Pain, Journalism and Media, 2018  
Margaret Yee Man Ng, Journalism and Media, 2018  
David Brown, Journalism and Media, 2018  
Magdalena Saldaña Villa, Journalism and Media, 2017

Víctor García-Perdomo, Journalism and Media, 2017

Qian Wang, Journalism and Media, 2016

Ji Won Kim, Journalism and Media, 2015

*Master's Thesis Chair*

Zhilong Zhang, Journalism and Media, in progress

Laura Marina Boria González, Journalism and Media, 2015

*Master's Thesis Reader*

Gayoung Jeon, Journalism and Media, 2024

Zelly Martin, Journalism and Media, 2021

Briana Barner, Women's and Gender Studies, 2016

Christopher Assaf, Journalism and Media, 2020

*Undergraduate Thesis Chair*

Mercury Robertson, Polymathic Scholars Honors, 2024

Seyi Odufuye, Humanities Honors, 2022

Mia Cooper, Plan II Honors, 2022

Jordan Rudner, Plan II Honors, 2016

*Undergraduate Thesis Reader*

Molly McConn, Plan II Honors, 2015

*AP Capstone Research Project Adviser*

William Kaiser, Conroe Independent School District, 2022

**The University of Southern Mississippi**

*Doctoral Dissertation Committee Member*

Daniel Sipocz, Mass Communication, 2014

Riva Brown, Mass Communication, 2013

**SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

**School, College, and University Service, UT Austin**

2025-2026 Member, Moody College Scholarship Committee

2024-Present Faculty mentor to doctoral student Xinya Jiang, School of Journalism and Media

2024-2025 Member, Budget Council, School of Journalism and Media

2024 Member, Faculty Search Committee, School of Journalism and Media

2023–Present	Member, Graduate Student Admission Committee, School of Journalism and Media
2022–Present	Faculty Mentor to doctoral student Gabrielle Beacken, School of Journalism and Media
2022	Member, Director Search Committee, School of Journalism and Media
2021	Candidate Selection Committee, Graduate Archer Fellowship Program, The University of Texas System
2021– Present	Faculty Mentor to Assistant Professor Josephine Lukito, School of Journalism and Media
2021– Present	Faculty Mentor to master's student Isabella C. Waltz, School of Journalism and Media
2021– 2022	Member, Undergraduates Studies Committee, School of Journalism and Media
2021	Member, Accreditation Standard 8 Committee, School of Journalism and Media
2021–2022	Member, Budget Council, School of Journalism and Media
2020–2021	Member, Graduate Student Selection Subcommittee, School of Journalism and Media
2020–2021	Member, Graduate Program Review Subcommittee, School of Journalism and Media
2019–2022	Member, Honors Advisory Committee, Moody College of Communication
2019	Member, Online Education Working Group, Moody College of Communication
2018– Present	Members, CIP (Centers, Institutes, Programs) Leadership Group, Moody College of Communication
2018 – 2020	Co-Chair, Graduate Studies Committee, School of Journalism and Media
2016 – 2021	Member, Ethics & Leadership/Conflict Resolution & Peace Study Faculty Panel for the Bridging Disciplines Program
2016, 2017	Interim Graduate Adviser, School of Journalism and Media, for summer
2016, 2018	Member, Journalism Scholarship Committee, for spring, School of Journalism and Media
2016	Member, University Faculty Gender Equity Council Focus Group
2016	Member, Cactus Standout Awards Selection Committee
2016	Member, Graduate Student Selection Subcommittee, School of Journalism and Media
2015	Recruitment effort, Ronald Reagan High School, San Antonio

2014 – Present	Member, Graduate Studies Committee
2014 – Present	Member, Appeals Committee, Moody College of Communication
2014 – 2019	Member, Budget Council, School of Journalism and Media, every other year
2014	Faculty Subcommittee for ACEJMC Accreditation, School of Journalism and Media

### **Service to the Field**

2025 – 2026	Research Chair, Commission on the Status of LGBTQIA+ Communities. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2025	Discussant, Mass Communication and Society Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2025	Discussant, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2024 – 2025	Head, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2023 – 2024	Vice Head, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2024	Discussant, Mass Communication and Society Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2023	Discussant, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2023	Discussant, Mass Communication Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2022 – 2023	Vice Chair, City of Hutto Diversity & Inclusion Commission
2022 – 2023	Election Misinformation Symposium, sponsored by the Center for Media Engagement, UT Austin
2022 – 2023	Research Chair, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2022	Discussant, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2022	Chair, Political Communication Division, American Political Science Association (APSA), Incivility & its Consequences, Montreal, Canada
2022	Chair, Mass Communication Division, International Communication Association (ICA), Examining News Trustworthiness, Accuracy and Use, Mass Communication, Paris, France
2022	Subcommittee Member, Assessment Subcommittee, City of Hutto Diversity & Inclusion Commission

2022	Commissioner, City of Hutto Diversity & Inclusion Commission
2022– Present	Co-Chair, Mediated Conversation mini-track, Digital and Social Media track of the Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS)
2021– 2022	Junior Research Chair, Newspaper and Online News Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
2021	Discussant, Political Communication Division, American Political Science Association (APSA), Seattle, WA [Conference attended virtually because of COVI19 pandemic]
2021	Discussant, Political Communication Division, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), New Orleans, LA [Conference held virtually because of COVI19 pandemic]
2020 – Present	Board Member, Society of Professional Journalists Education Committee
2020 – Present	Board Member, M. Roberts Media Board of Directors
2020	Graduate Student Interest Group, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), discussant, San Francisco, CA [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic]
2020	Mass Communication Division, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), discussant, San Francisco, CA [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic]
2019	Newspaper Online News Division, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), discussant, Toronto, Canada
2019	Commission on the Status of Women, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), discussant, Toronto, Canada
2019	Co-Chair, Race, Gender, & Toxicity Online Workshop, co-sponsored by the Center for Media Engagement and the Social Science Research Council, UT Austin
2018	Co-editor of the #MeToo and Media Ethics Forum, <i>Media Ethics</i> magazine, fall issue, UT Austin <a href="https://www.mediaethicsmagazine.com/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=3999242:the-metoo-moment-social-movement-and-challenge-for-media-ethics&amp;catid=210&amp;Itemid=486">https://www.mediaethicsmagazine.com/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=3999242:the-metoo-moment-social-movement-and-challenge-for-media-ethics&amp;catid=210&amp;Itemid=486</a>
2017	Mass Communication Division, International Communication Association (ICA), discussant, San Diego, CA
2016	Mass Communication Division, ICA, discussant, Fukuoka, Japan
2015	Chair, panel honoring Dr. Pamela J. Shoemaker for receiving the Deutschmann Award at AEJMC, San Francisco, CA

2015, 2017, 2018	Judge, Toner Prize for Excellence in Political Reporting, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication, Syracuse University, NY
2015	Newspaper Online News Division, AEJMC, discussant, San Francisco, CA
2012 – Present	Annual Conference Reviewer, AEJMC
2012 – Present	Annual Conference Reviewer, ICA
2010	Newspaper Online News Division, AEJMC Midwinter discussant, Norman, OK

### **Editorial Service**

#### Editorial Board Member

*Social Science Computer Review*, 2024 – present

*Digital Journalism*, 2023 – present

*Communication Research*, 2018 – present

*Newspaper Research Journal*, 2015 – present

#### Manuscript Reviewer

[Reviewed 286 papers for academic journals, 149 for conferences, 10 book proposals, 3 tenure dossiers, 1 podcast series proposal, 1 grant proposal, and AEJMC's Barrow Minority Scholarship Award]

#### **AEJMC's Barrow Minority Scholarship Award**

2024 and 2025

#### **Tenure Dossier**

Reviewed for Dr. Jessica D. Freeman, Augusta University, 2025

Reviewed for Dr. Benjamin Poe, Ohio University, 2024

Reviewed for Dr. Bek Orr, SUNY Brockport, 2023

#### **Grant proposal**

Stanford University Impact Lab, 2022

#### **Podcast series proposal**

Palgrave Macmillan, 2020-2021

#### **Book proposals**

Columbia University Press (1), 2024

Routledge (6), 2022-2024

Cognella (1), 2021-2022

Palgrave Macmillan (2), 2019-2021

#### **Journal articles**

*ACM Transactions on Social Computing*, 2019

*Annals of the International Communication Association*, 2024

*Basic and Applied Social Psychology*, 2011, 2013

*Big Data & Society*, 2025  
*BMC Women's Health*, 2025  
*Computers in Human Behavior*, 2018, 2019, 2021-2022  
*Communication Monographs*, 2016-2019  
*Communication Quarterly*, 2015  
*Communication Reports*, 2014  
*Communication Research*, 2012-2016, 2020-2025  
*Communication Studies*, 2022  
*Communication Theory*, 2019, 2022, 2024  
*Convergence: The International Journal of Research into New Media Technologies*, 2018  
*Digital Journalism*, 2021, 2023-2025  
*Feminist Media Studies*, 2014-2016, 2019, 2021-2024  
*Howard Journal of Communications*, 2018, 2019, 2024  
*Human Communication Research*, 2020, 2022  
*Information, Communication, & Society*, 2021-2023  
*International Journal of Communication*, 2018-2020  
*International Journal of Physical Science*, 2012  
*International Journal of Press/Politics*, 2021, 2024-2025  
*International Journal of Public Opinion Research*, 2021-2022  
*Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media*, 2014, 2016-2020, 2025-2026  
*Journal of Communication*, 2014, 2016, 2019, 2020, 2022  
*Journal of Communication Inquiry*, 2021  
*Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication*, 2013, 2014, 2022-2023  
*Journal of Information, Technology and Politics*, 2019-2020  
*Journal of Language and Politics*, 2023  
*Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly*, 2014-2019, 2021-2023  
*Journalism Practice*, 2022  
*Journalism Studies*, 2020-2025  
*Journalism: Theory, Practice, and Criticism*, 2018, 2020-2023  
*Language@Internet*, 2015  
*Mass Communication and Society*, 2012-2015, 2018-2019, 2021-2022, 2025  
*Maternal and Child Health*, 2014  
*New Media & Society*, 2012-2023  
*News Research Journal*, 2015-2026  
*Personal Relationships*, 2016  
*Policy & Internet*, 2023  
*Political Behavior*, 2020  
*Political Communication*, 2018, 2025  
*Proceedings, Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS)*, 2023-2025  
*Psychological Bulletin*, 2018  
*Social Media + Society*, 2018-2020, 2022-2025  
*Social Science Computer Review*, 2015, 2018, 2024-2025  
*Southern Communication Journal*, 2015  
*The International Journal of Press/Politics*, 2023

*Women's Studies in Communication*, 2018

## INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2024 Invited panelist on *Journalists, technology, & wellbeing*, Hidden Compass (a women-founded independent journalism outlet), Santa Barbara, CA, December. [Virtual].

2024 Invited speaker on *Seeing red and feeling blue: Persuasive communication lifts policy over politics*, Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo, Minneapolis, MN, October.

2024 Invited speaker on *How to talk to people you disagree with politically—especially online*, League of Women Voters of Illinois, June. [Virtual].

2024 Invited speaker on *Managing Social Media to Drive Engagement*, for staffs of *Henderson News*, *Kilgo News Herald*, *Longview News-Journal*, *Marshall News Messenger*, *The Panola Watchman*, the *Victoria Advocate*, and *Tyler Morning Telegraph* in Texas, June. [Virtual].

2024 Invited speaker on *Research review: How our findings impact newsrooms*, International Symposium on Online Journalism (ISOJ), Austin, TX, April.

2023 Invited speaker on *Gendered bias in health care*, American Association of University Women of Washington State, Olympia, WA, September. [Virtual.]

2022 Invited speaker for *Making pictures of protest, making protest out of pictures*, FotoFest Biennial 2022 Symposium, Houston, TX, October.

2022 Invited speaker on *Social media and COVID-19 misinformation*, for the New York State Association of County Health Officials, Albany, NY, September. [Virtual].

2022 Invited speaker on *What to do when things get tense online*, for Olympian swimmers endorsed by Arena swimwear, Austin, TX, August

2022 Invited speaker on *Social media for journalists*, for staffs of *Kilgo News Herald*, *Longview News-Journal*, *Marshall News Messenger*, *The Panola Watchman*, the *Victoria Advocate*, and *Tyler Morning Telegraph* in Texas, April. [Virtual].

2022 Invited speaker on *How local newsrooms can better connect with conservative and right-leaning audiences*, International Symposium on Online Journalism (ISOJ), Austin, TX, April.

2022 Invited speaker on *Crafting a better digital space – at the local level*, South by Southwest (SXSW), Austin, TX, March.

2021 Invited speaker on *How local newsrooms can better connect with conservative and right-leaning audiences*, Trusting News, Sarasota, FL, August. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Invited panelist on *Eyeing the job market as a doctoral student*, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), New Orleans, LA, August. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Invited speaker on *A society in crisis & how to fix it*, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, April. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Invited speaker on *Social media and academics*, Elevate TXED, Austin, TX, April. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Panelist for *How newsrooms can help bridge divides*, South by Southwest (SXSW), Austin, TX, March. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Invited speaker on *A love-hate relationship: How people feel about online discussions*, Future of Online Discussions, Heinrich-Heine University, Düsseldorf, Germany, February. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Invited speaker on “*Join Me On Parler!*” *Populist Discourse around the Conservative Exodus from Facebook and Twitter in the United States*, Journalism, Media, and the Normalization of (Right-Wing) Populism and Nativist Authoritarianism Symposium, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden, February. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2021 Invited speaker on *Social Media Boot Camp*, virtual workshop presented to journalists from the *Tyler Morning Telegram* and *Longview News-Journal* in Tyler, TX, February. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2020 Invited speaker on *Black Americans & News*, virtual workshop presented to journalists from the *The News & Observer*, Raleigh, NC, and other McClatchy newspapers in the southeast region, October. [Event held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2020 Invited speaker on *How to Talk to People Who Disagree with You Politically*, Mobilize Recovery Advocacy Conference, Las Vegas, NV, August [Conference held virtually because of COVID-19 pandemic.]

2020 Invited panelist on *The Challenges for Journalists (Especially Women)*, From Classroom to Newsroom: Learning Ethical Leadership, University of Texas, New York, NY, February.

2019 Invited panelist on *Ethical Leadership in Newsrooms in the #MeToo Era*, UT Austin, October

2019 Invited speaker on *Social Media #Blocking: An Uncivil Tool of Political Silencing*, National Institute for Civil Discourse Research Convening, Tucson, AZ, September.

2019 Keynote speaker on *If Incivility Means Everything – It Starts to Mean Nothing*, Social Media as a Digital Agora for Political Arguments, Opinions, and Ideas of the Research Project NRW Digital Society Summer School, Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany, July

2019 Invited speaker on *Why The Heck Do They Do That? Explaining Journalistic Norms to Increase News Literacy*, Hemispheres Summer Institute, UT Austin, June

2019 Moderator, *Race, Gender, & Toxicity Plenary Roundtable*, UT Austin, April

2019 Panelist for *Global Landscape of Online Attacks*, International Symposium on Online Journalism, UT Austin, April

2019 Invited speaker on *Improving Engagement*, New York Press Association annual convention, Albany, NY, April

2019 Invited speaker on *Improving Trust*, New York Press Association annual convention, Albany, NY, April

2019 Keynote speaker on *An Ethical Crisis of Trust*, Media Ethics Conference, Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth University, Pune, India, January

2018 Keynote speaker on *If Incivility Means Everything – It Starts to Mean Nothing*, Un-Civility, Racism, and Populism: Interactive Practices and Discourses in Europe, USA, and Beyond Symposium, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden, December

2018 Speaker on *Online Engagement's Effect on Public Discourse*, Strengthening Democracy Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, October

2018 Speaker on *Is Incivility Ever Ethical?* Media Ethics Initiative, UT Austin, October

2018 Panelist for *When Trolls Turn on Your Reporters*, American Society of News Editors (ASNE) annual conference, Austin, TX, September

2018 Panelist for *Fellows Program on Civil Discourse*, UT Austin, September

2018 Speaker on *Can the Internet Be a Better Place*, Google's Disinformation Convening, Mountain View, CA, July

2018 Panelist for *Online Harassment*, Journalism and Women Symposium, Austin, TX, June

2018 Speaker on *Social Media and Journalism*, University Interscholastic League Journalism Convention, UT Austin, May

2018 Speaker on *Online Incivility and Public Debate: Nasty Talk*, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, April

2018 Panelist for *What is the Responsibility of Media?* S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, April

2018 Panelist for *News Integrity: Advocating for Quality Journalism*, South by Southwest (SXSW), Austin, TX, March

2018 Panelist for *International Women's Day Panel and Showcase*, UT Austin, March

2018 Panelist for *No Exemption: Sexual Misconduct and Newsrooms*, School of Journalism, UT Austin, February

2017 Speaker on *Online Incivility*, Gutenberg University of Mainz, Mainz, Germany, via Skype, May

2017 Speaker on *Conflict in Online Political Debate*, The Conflict Conference, UT Austin, April

2017 Speaker on *Online Incivility & Public Debate: Testing the “Defensive Effect,”* Political Communication Lecture Series, UT Austin, March

2017 Speaker on *Nasty Talk: How Does Online Incivility Shape Political Participation?* Moody College of Communication Senior Fellows Program, UT Austin, March

2016 Speaker on *Nasty Talk Online: What's a Journalist to Do*, Social Media Summit, UT Austin, November

2016 Panelist for *Elections, Gender, and the Media*, Feminist Policy Alliance, UT Austin, November

2016 Speaker on *A Gendered Digital Sphere*, Center for Women's & Gender Studies, UT Austin, February

2016 Speaker on *Social Media and Journalism*, University Interscholastic League Journalism Convention, UT Austin, April

2016 Panelist for *The Shoemaker Legacy: Looking Ahead at Festschrift to honor Dr. Pamela J. Shoemaker*, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, April

2014 Speaker on *Telling Stories in a Digital Era*, Mississippi Press Association Scholastic Journalism Conference, Ridgeland, MS, March

2014 Speaker on *Giving Academic Presentations*, Mass Communication Graduate Student Association, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS, March

2014 Speaker on *Using Social Media for Literary Publications*, Department of English, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS, March

2014 Speaker on *Cyber-Bullying for Tweens*, DREAM of Hattiesburg, Hattiesburg, MS, April

2013 Speaker on *Using Social Media for Department Chairs*, College of Arts & Letters, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS, March

2013 Speaker on *Using Social Media for Entertainment Industry Professionals*, Talent Management Course, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS, March

2013 Speaker on *Using Social Media for School District Administrators*, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS, March

2013 Speaker on *Pitching Stories to Reporters*, Media Relations Panel for Public Relations Students, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, via Google Hangout, March

2011 Speaker on *Social Media*, Syracuse BizBuzz Social Media Conference, Liverpool, NY, October

2010 Speaker on *Online Engagement*, America Online (AOL) Patch Regional Conference, San Francisco, CA, November

2010 Speaker on *Blogging*, Syracuse BizBuzz Social Media Conference, Syracuse, NY, May

## FEATURED IN NEWS COVERAGE

2025 Interviewed for the Challenges Facing Journalism in the Digital Age podcast, McGill University, Montreal, Canada  
<https://open.spotify.com/episode/5giYvT4MXT9MVmTIVD8sdA?nd=1&dlsi=4ed77b2c2ed04fe9>

2023 Interviewed for Mainstreet Nova Scotia with Jeff Douglas about how to talk to relatives who disagree with your politically at Thanksgiving, CBC Radio, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada  
<https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-37-mainstreet-ns/clip/16013338-how-talk-someone-may-differ-polarizing-times>

2023 Interviewed for the Austin American-Statesman, Austin, TX, about Texas Gov. Greg Abbott tweeting fake news about Garth Brooks.  
<https://www.statesman.com/story/news/2023/06/26/texas-governor-greg-abbott-garth-brooks-tweet-fake-news-country-music-phony-town-boo/70357208007/>

2022 Interviewed for the Texas Standard, on KUT, NPR station, Austin, TX, about the 2022 midterm election. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/texas-standard/id863338913?i=1000585579206>

2022 Interviewed by KXAN, NBC affiliate in Austin, TX, about the Greg Abbott/Beto O'Rourke gubernatorial debate. <https://www.kxan.com/texas-governors-debate-2022/>

2022 Quoted by *Nieman Lab* on how to improve conversations on social media.  
<https://www.niemanlab.org/2022/09/researchers-ask-does-enforcing-civility-stifle-online-debate/>

2022 Featured speaker the J Word, the podcast of *Journalism Practice*, regarding my research on how journalists should respond to online comments. <https://thejword.buzzsprout.com>.

2022 Interviewed by NECN-News, the NBC affiliate in Boston, MA, on how to talk to relatives who disagree with you about politics. <https://www.necn.com/lxs-current/how-to-approach-politics-with-loved-ones/2825886/>

2022 Quoted by *Undark* on how to improve conversations on social media.  
<https://undark.org/2022/08/15/researchers-ask-does-enforcing-civility-stifle-online-debate/>

2022 Research on online comment moderation, featured in *Listen louder: How journalists can counter polarization*, Constructive Institute, Aarhus University, Denmark.  
<https://constructiveinstitute.org/app/uploads/2022/06/5333873-Fonden-Constructive-Foundation-bog.pdf>

2022 Research on online incivility featured in the *Boston Globe*.  
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/2022/08/09/opinion/crafting-is-my-pedagogical-love-language-it-works-wonders-college-classroom/>

2022 Quoted by the *Deseret News* on how conservatives and liberals see news differently.  
<https://www.deseret.com/2022/1/5/22841473/what-were-the-years-biggest-news-stories-depends-on-who-you-ask-gop-republican-democrat-bias-media>

2021 Interviewed by the Media and Diversity Institute on online harassment of women journalists. <https://www.media-diversity.org/women-were-trained-not-to-complain-about-harassment-exploring-the-gendered-abuse-of-women-in-journalism/>

2021 Interviewed by *Pittsburgh City Paper* on missing white women syndrome.  
<https://www.pghcitypaper.com/pittsburgh/how-newsrooms-police-departments-and-social-media-fail-missing-people-of-color/Content?oid=20443311>

2021 Interviewed by the *Los Angeles Times* on missing white women syndrome.  
<https://www.latimes.com/entertainment-arts/story/2021-10-04/gabby-petito-and-breaking-the-white-missing-women-syndrome>

2021 Research on how newsrooms can bridge divides with conservatives audiences was featured in *The Day* in New London, CT. <https://www.theday.com/local->

[news/20210824/lets-talk-about-trust-chat-with-day-staff-on-facebook-wednesday-morning](https://www.kvue.com/article/news/verify/news-literacy-fake-news-needs-context/269-93c2aff3-52d0-4168-95e6-24211fae4b70)

2021 Interviewed for *Columbia Journalism Review* about how newsrooms can bridge divides with conservative audiences. [https://www.cjr.org/business\\_of\\_news/local-news-conservatives-and-trust.php](https://www.cjr.org/business_of_news/local-news-conservatives-and-trust.php)

2021 Interviewed for the *Seattle Times* about how newsrooms can bridge divides with conservative audiences. <https://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/researchers-explore-media-bias-trust-and-how-to-better-reach-conservatives/>

2021 Interviewed for *Poynter* about online harassment of women journalists and women journalists of color. [https://www.poynter.org/ethics-trust/2021/when-writing-about-race-abuse-follows-especially-for-journalists-of-color-and-women/?fbclid=IwAR1zO2c9KDxMW9hu91v0rUlajXIgg9d1WCJe29khgx6f\\_iCr9Gj2Fikw48](https://www.poynter.org/ethics-trust/2021/when-writing-about-race-abuse-follows-especially-for-journalists-of-color-and-women/?fbclid=IwAR1zO2c9KDxMW9hu91v0rUlajXIgg9d1WCJe29khgx6f_iCr9Gj2Fikw48)

2021 Interviewed by KVUE-ABC News in Austin, about fake news and news trust, <https://www.kvue.com/article/news/verify/news-literacy-fake-news-needs-context/269-93c2aff3-52d0-4168-95e6-24211fae4b70>

2021 Interviewed by KVUE-ABC News in Austin about newsroom funding and trust, July 26, 2021, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OkGB56L1H5E>

2021 Interviewed by Moody College of Communication about the value of local news for a story about UT graduate Maisie Crow, who bought the *Big Bend Sentinel*. <https://moody.utexas.edu/news/local-news-heart-democracy>

2020 Interviewed by *Digital Content Next* about my research regarding online comments. [https://digitalcontentnext.org/blog/2020/03/05/comment-sections-arent-dead-yet/?utm\\_campaign=meetedgar&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=meetedgar.com](https://digitalcontentnext.org/blog/2020/03/05/comment-sections-arent-dead-yet/?utm_campaign=meetedgar&utm_medium=social&utm_source=meetedgar.com)

2019 My research on President Donald J. Trump's use of Twitter was featured by the blog of the U.S. Centre of the London School of Economics and Political Science. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2019/08/06/donald-trumps-pre-2017-tweets-gave-us-clues-about-the-kind-of-president-he-would-become/>

2019 My research on the effect of uncivil online comments on comment moderators was featured by American Press Institute. <https://www.americanpressinstitute.org/need-to-know/need-to-know-july-18-2019/>

2019 My research on the effect of uncivil online comments on comment moderators was featured by *Nieman Lab*, a project of the Nieman Foundation at Harvard University. <https://www.niemanlab.org/2019/07/hey-comment-mods-you-doin-okay-a-new-study-shows-moderating-uncivil-comments-reduces-the-moderators-trust-in-news/>

2019 My research on the effect of uncivil online comments on the news audience was featured by *Media Brief*. <https://mediabrief.com/how-comments-section-attacks-can-hurt-news-sites-and-how-journalists-can-address-the-problem/>

2019 Interviewed by KVUE-ABC News in Austin for a story about how to keep kids safe on social media. <https://www.kvue.com/article/life/how-to-keep-your-kids-safe-on-social-media/269-121d5d7b-ea45-447a-b80f-1bdeea89515e>

2019 Interviewed by the *Texas Tribune* for a story about a person who lied about being a witness to a school shooting at Santa Fe High School in the Houston area.  
<https://www.texastribune.org/2019/07/01/santa-fe-shooting-texas-david-briscoe/>

2019 My research on online harassment of women journalists was featured by *Media Post*.  
<https://www.mediapost.com/publications/article/337199/recodes-kara-swisher-talks-facebook-regulation-a.html>

2019 My research on Twitter's role in connecting people was featured by *ThoughtCo*.  
[https://www.thoughtco.com/uses-and-gratifications-theory-462833?utm\\_source=emailshare&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=mobilesharebutton2](https://www.thoughtco.com/uses-and-gratifications-theory-462833?utm_source=emailshare&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=mobilesharebutton2)

2019 Interviewed by *Engadget* for a story about how to improve online comments.  
<https://www.engadget.com/2019/05/03/turn-off-comments-wont-fix-internet/>

2018 My research on perceptions of news was featured by *Nieman Lab*, a project of the Nieman Foundation at Harvard University. <http://www.niemanlab.org/2018/11/if-you-hate-the-media-youre-more-likely-to-be-fooled-by-a-fake-headline/>

2018 Interviewed by CJAD 800, talk radio, Montreal, Canada, for a story about my research on online harassment of women journalists.  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/0buevvatkpjutku/GINA MASULLO CHEN.mp3?dl=0>

2018 My research on online harassment of women journalists was featured by *Nieman Lab*, a project of the Nieman Foundation at Harvard University.  
<http://www.niemanlab.org/2018/08/echoing-the-network-the-most-interesting-new-digital-and-social-media-research/>

2018 Interviewed by *Journalist's Resource*, a website produced by Harvard Kennedy School's Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics and Public Policy, for a story about my research on online harassment of women journalists.  
<https://journalistsresource.org/studies/society/news-media/female-journalists-harassment-online-research>

2018 Interviewed by the *International Journalists' Network* (IJNet) for a story about my research on online harassment of women journalists. <https://ijnet.org/en/blog/study-highlights-harassment-coping-strategies-women-journalists>

2018 Interviewed by the *Texas Standard* for a story about my research on online harassment of women journalists. <https://soundcloud.com/texas-standard/april-12-2018>

2018 Interviewed by the *Daily Texan* for a story about fake Instagram accounts.  
<http://www.dailytexanonline.com/2018/01/29/fact-versus-finsta-the-search-for-authenticity-on-the-internet>

2017 Interviewed by the *Dallas Morning News* for a story about the #MeToo social media movement to draw attention to the sexual assault and harassment.  
<https://www.dallasnews.com/life/digital-life/2017/10/16/metoo-brings-dallas-stories-sexual-harassment-assault-social-media>

2017 Interviewed by *The Signal*, the student newspaper of the University of King's College in Halifax, Canada, for a story about journalists and online discussions.  
<http://signalhfx.ca/blessing-or-curse/>

2016 Interviewed by the *Dallas Morning News* for a story about women sharing stories about sexual assault and rape online. <http://www.dallasnews.com/life/digital-life/2016/10/20/singer-sara-hickman-joined-sexual-assault-survivors-breaking-silence-social-media>

2016 Interviewed by *How Stuff Works Now* for a story about online commenting.  
<http://now.howstuffworks.com/2016/10/04/npr-says-no-comments>

2016 Interviewed by *The Guardian*, London, England, for a story about online commenting.  
<http://www.theguardian.com/media/2016/jan/31/online-comments-toxic-interaction-racism-harassment>

2015 My syllabus for Digital Storytelling Basics was featured in a round-up story of “14 Innovative Journalism Courses to Follow This Fall,” by Storybench.org, a digital storytelling site produced by the Media Innovation Program at Northeastern University.  
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