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RESEARCH INTERESTS Innovation, Leadership, Communication, Gender, Ethnicity, Social Networks

EMPLOYMENT Postdoctoral Fellow

May 2022 - Present Evanston, IL, USA

Northwestern University

• Kellogg School of Management

• Northwestern Institute on Complex Systems (NICO)

• Advisor: Brian Uzzi

Summer Research Intern

May 2017/19 - July 2017/19

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, USA

Information Sciences Institute (ISI)

• Host: Emilio Ferrara

Summer Research Intern May 2016 - Aug. 2016
University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, USA

The Positive Psychology CenterWorld Well-Being Project (WWBP)

Host: Lyle Ungar, M. Abdul-Mageed

EDUCATION Ph.D. in Computational Social Science Sep. 2017 - May 2022

University of Michigan, School of Information Ann Arbor, MI, USA

• Advisor: Daniel M. Romero

M.S. in Data Science Sep. 2015 - May 2017
Indiana University, School of Informatics Bloomington, IN, USA

Advisors: Yong-Yeol Ahn, Filippo Menczer

B.S. in Information Management Sep. 2011 - June 2015

Sun Yat-Sen University, iSchool Guangzhou, China

Summer Visiting Scholar

National Chengchi University, Business School

Jun 2012 - Aug 2012

Taipei City

PUBLICATIONS * denotes equal contribution.

Preprints

 Does Promotional Language Communicate the Merits of Innovative Science?
 H. Peng*, H.S. Qiu*, H.B. Fosse, B. Uzzi (In Review)

 The Gender Gap in Scholarly Self-Promotion on Social Media H. Peng, M. Teplitskiy, D.M. Romero, E.Á. Horvát (In Review) [Link]

- Author Mentions in Science News Reveal Widespread Disparities Across Name-inferred Ethnicities
 - **H. Peng**, M. Teplitskiy, D. Jurgens (In Review) [Link]
- 4. Acceptance in Two Major Life Sciences Journals Shows Large Disparities Across Name-inferred Ethnicities
 - **H. Peng**, K.R. Lakhani, M. Teplitskiy *SocArXiv*, (2021) [Link]

Journal Papers

- Is Novel Research Worth Doing? Evidence From Peer Review at 49 Journals M. Teplitskiy, H. Peng, A. Blasco, K.R. Lakhani PNAS 119, e2118046119 (2022)
- Dynamics of Cross-Platform Attention to Retracted Papers H. Peng, D.M. Romero, E.Á. Horvát PNAS 119, e2119086119 (2022)
- 7. Neural Embeddings of Scholarly Periodicals Reveal Complex Disciplinary Organizations
 - H. Peng, Q. Ke, C. Budak, D.M. Romero, Y.Y. Ahn Science Advances 7, eabb9004 (2021)
- 8. Network Modularity Controls the Speed of Information Diffusion **H. Peng**, A. Nematzadeh, D.M. Romero, E. Ferrara *Physical Review E* 112, 052316 (2020)
- 9. Social Influence and Unfollowing Accelerate the Emergence of Echo Chambers K. Sasahara, W. Chen, **H. Peng**, G.L. Ciampaglia, A. Flammini, F. Menczer *Journal of Computational Social Science* (2020)
- Sentiment Analysis of Web Reviews Based on Comparative Sentence Extraction H. Peng, J. Xu, Z. Xiao
 Data Analysis and Knowledge Discovery (2016)

Conference Papers

- Event-Driven Analysis of Crowd Dynamics in the BLM Online Social Movement
 H. Peng, C. Budak, D.M. Romero
 The ACM International World Wide Web Conference (2019)
- 12. Recognizing Pathogenic Empathy in Social Media M. Abdul-Mageed, A. Buffone, **H. Peng**, S. Giorgi, J. Eichstaedt, L. Ungar *The International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media* (2017)
- Performance Dynamics and Success in Online Games
 A. Sapienza, H. Peng, E. Ferrara
 IEEE International Conference on Data Mining Workshop (2017)

TEACHING Northwestern University

CAA - Culture & Art Analytics (Guest lecture for Ágnes Horvát)

University of Michigan

SI 106 - Programs, Information and People (TA for Paul Resnick)
 Winter 2019
 SI 330 - Data Manipulation (TA for Matthew Kay)
 Fall 2018

Spring 2023

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Awards

- Best Paper Award (\$1,000), ASIS&T, SIGMET, 2021
- Second Prize (\$750), John Hunter Excellence in Plotting Contest, SciPy, 2019
- Microsoft Azure Research Award, 2016

Fellowships

- UMich Rackham Travel Award, 2019
- UMSI PhD Travel Grant, 2018, 2019
- Travel Scholarship, IC2S2, 2018
- Indiana University Data Science Program Fellowship, 2015
- Academic Excellence Scholarship of Sun Yat-Sen University, 2011

Other Awards

- First Prize in the Provincial Physics Competition, Hubei, China, 2010
- Third Prize in the National Physics Olympiad Contest, China, 2010

MEDIA COVERAGE

Selected News Reports

- 1. Dec 2022, Michigan News
 - Journal editors, reviewers don't show bias against novelty
- 2. July 2022, The Washington Post
 - Retractions aren't a panacea for bad research
- 3. June 2022, Northwestern Now
 - Flawed research not retracted fast enough to prevent spread of misinformation
- 4. June 2022, Inside Higher Ed, Retraction Watch
 - Retractions: A Missed Opportunity?
- 5. June 2022, Academica Group
 - Article retractions take too long to influence public discourse
- 6. June 2022, Michigan News, Phys.org, Mirage News
 - Flawed research not retracted fast enough to prevent spread of misinformation, study finds
- 7. Oct. 2021, Yahoo! News, Scientific American, The Conversation, Entrepreneur
 - Facebook Whistleblower Testified That Company's Algorithms Are Dangerous
- 8. Oct. 2021, BigThink
 - Here's exactly how social media algorithms can manipulate you
- 9. Sep. 2021, MSN, Salon, Tech Xplore
 - How "engagement" makes you vulnerable to manipulation and misinformation on social media
- 10. Sep. 2021, The Conversation, Yahoo!, Phys.org, Newsbreak, Arizona Daily Star
 - Facebook's algorithms fueled massive foreign propaganda campaigns during the 2020 election
- 11. Dec 2020, Scientific American
 - Information Overload Helps Fake News Spread, and Social Media Knows It
- 12. Sep. 2020, New Scientist
 - US science news biased against people with names of non-British origin

SELECTED TALKS Conference Presentations

1. IC2S2, UChicago July 2022

- Gender Differences in Scholarly Self-Promotion on Twitter

2. ICSSI, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC June 2022

- Dynamics of Cross-Platform Attention to Retracted Papers

3. ICSSI, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC June 2022

- The Gender Gap in Scholarly Self-Promotion on Twitter

4. IC2S2, ETH Zurich, Switzerland July 2021

- Analyzing Online Attention to Retracted Papers

5. IC2S2, MIT July 2020

- Network Modularity Controls the Speed of Information Diffusion

6. IC2S2, MIT July 2020

- Neural Embeddings of Scholarly Periodicals Reveal Complex Disciplinary Organizations

7. IC2S2, MIT July 2020

- Say My Name, Say My Name: Author Mentions in Science Reporting Reveal Wide-Spread Ethnic Bias

8. WWW, San Francisco May 2019

- Event-Driven Analysis of Crowd Dynamics in the Black Lives Matter Online Social Movement

g. IC2S2, Northwestern University July 2018

- Event-Driven Modeling of Crowd Dynamics in online social movements

10. NetSci, Indianapolis June 2017

- A quantitative framework for revealing disciplinary organizations of science

SERVICE Journal Reviewer

• Science Advances, Nature Human Behaviour, PLOS One

• Transactions on the Web

• Scientometrics, Sage Open

Conference Reviewer, PC Member

• *WWW*: 2019, 2020

• WSDM: 2019, 2020

• ICWSM: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

• CHI: 2022

• CSCW: 2020, 2023

IC2S2: 2022, 2023

REFERENCES

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