Alexandros Efstratiou CV

Education

PhD in Cybersecurity   **Sep 2020 - Present**
University College London (UCL), London, UK
Supervisors: Prof. Emiliano De Cristofaro, Dr Tristan Caulfield

My research looks at intergroup interaction/polarization dynamics and
how they affect the spread of misinformation.

MSc in Behavioural Science (Distinction – 79.2)   **Sep 2019 – Sep 2020**
Durham University, Durham, UK

BSc in Psychology (First Class Honours – 78.85, GPA 4.25) **Sep 2016 – June 2019**
University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK

Relevant experience

Behavioural science practice intern   **July 2019**
Ogilvy UK, London, UK

Research intern   **June – July 2018**
UEA School of Psychology, Norwich, UK

Other experience

Senior ambassador   **Sep 2017 – June 2019**
UEA Award, Norwich, UK

Advocacy Assistant   **Oct 2017 – June 2019**
UEA Students' Union, Norwich, UK

Second lieutenant   **July 2014 – July 2016**
Cypriot National Guard

Publications

Efstratiou, A., Blackburn, J., Caulfield, T., Stringhini, G., Zannettou, S., & De Cristofaro, E. (2023). Non-polar opposites: Analyzing the relationship between echo chambers and hostile intergroup interactions on Reddit. *In the 17th International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM '23).*

Efstratiou, A., & De Cristofaro, E. (2022). Adherence to misinformation on social media through socio-cognitive and group-based processes. *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction (CSCW2 2022).*

*Hughes, J. P., Efstratiou, A., Komer, S., Baxter, L. A., Vasiljevic, M., & Leite, A. C. (2022). The impact of risk perceptions and belief in conspiracy theories on COVID-19 pandemic-related behaviours. *PLOS One, 17*(2), e0263716.

*Joint first author.

Conference talks

Efstratiou, A., & Marcinko, A. J. (2021). The leader oversight bias in justice and hypocrisy evaluations of organisational diversity practices. *Academy of Management Annual Proceedings, 2021*(1).

Invited research talks

GESIS (2023). Non-Polar Opposites: An examination of the interplay between echo chambers and hostile intergroup interactions online.

Works in progress

Efstratiou, A., Efstratiou, M., Yudhoatmojo, S., Blackburn, J., & De Cristofaro, E. (2023). Following the Science, But Only Just: False Consensus in Public Twitter Discussions of COVID-19 Preprints. *Under submission at CHI '24.*

Efstratiou, A. (2023). Deliberate Exposure to Opposing Views and its Association with Behavior and Rewards on Political Communities. *Under submission at WWW '24.*

Service

- Program Commitee: ICWSM 2023-2024
- Reviewer: CHI 2024, CogSci 2023, CSCW 2023, EPJ Data Science
- Shadow Reviewer: S&P 2023, WWW 2023, NDSS 2023, IMC 2022, ICWSM 2022

Teaching

Teaching Assistant (People and Security)   **September 2023 – January 2024**
UCL, MSc course, London, UK

Teaching Assistant (Probability, Statistics, & Modelling)   **September 2023 – January 2024**
UCL, BSc course, London, UK

Teaching Assistant (Evidence for Decision-Making)   **September 2022 – January 2023**
UCL, MPA course, London, UK
Delivered guest lecture on executing search strategies   *November 29th, 2022*

Guest Lecture on Sunk Cost Fallacy (Social Cognition)   **November 2019**
Durham University, BSc Psychology course, Durham, UK

Awards & Honors

- Kurt Lewin prize as top performer in the 2019-2020 MSc Behavioural Science cohort at Durham University
- British Psychological Society Prize for Outstanding Undergraduate Degree Performance as top performer of the BSc Psychology cohort at UEA in all three years of study
- UEA School of Psychology prize for best dissertation project