

Alex Newhouse

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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA (Remote Student)

Master of Science, Analytics, Graduation: Fall 2021

- Coursework in Python, R, JavaScript, Deep and Machine Learning, and Data Visualization

Middlebury Institute of International Studies, Monterey, CA

Master of Arts, Nonproliferation and Terrorism Studies, Graduation: Dec. 2018

- Financial Crimes Management Specialization
- Foreign Language of Study: Russian

Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science and English Literature, Russian Minor, Graduation: May 2017

EMPLOYMENT

Middlebury Institute of International Studies, Monterey, CA

Senior Research Fellow – Emerging Tech, CTEC, June 2023-Present

- Supervise CTEC's portfolio of projects that engage with the video game industry.
- Lead cutting-edge research into the influence of emerging technologies like AI on worldwide extremism and terrorism trends.
- Assist with CTEC's relationships with the tech industry.
- Engage with media, publish research, and serve as a leading voice at CTEC on various extremism-related issues.
- Coordinate CTEC's data science projects and coordinate data analyst resources.

Deputy Director, CTEC, April 2021-May 2023

Data Analyst and Research Lead, CTEC, Sept. 2018-April 2021

- Oversee CTEC's research, operations, and development.
- Hire and manage a team of full-time, part-time, and student researchers.
- Directly supervise external relationships with technology companies, government agencies, academia, and nonprofits.
- Serve as Principal Investigator on several research projects, including two funded by grants from the Department of Homeland Security.
- Build CTEC's Data Science functions, including overseeing development of innovative tools using AI, machine learning, NLP, and social network analysis.
- Led efforts that resulted in over \$3.7 million in fundraising from government and private grants, contracts with companies, and donations from individuals.
- Grew CTEC from 0 to 8 full-time employees in 4 years.
- Helped launch CTEC and secured funding for its first project.
- Assisted with development of glossary of right-wing terminology, slang, and images.

United States House of Representatives, Washington, DC

Investigative Consultant, Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack, Feb. 2022-Oct. 2022

- Designed and executed cross-platform investigations on how online communities contributed to the January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol.
- Provided expertise in online extremism, including the activities of Oath Keepers, Proud Boys, QAnon, Three Percenters, and neo-fascists, to investigators and Members of Congress.
- Drafted sections of public hearings conducted by Members of Congress in June-July 2022.
- Delivered written material included in the Committee's final report.

Sony Interactive Entertainment, San Mateo, CA

Data Governance Analyst, Jan. 2019-Jan. 2020

- Managed and coordinated PlayStation's data-sharing process.
- Assisted with creation and implementation of privacy policies and standards.
- Operationalized SIE's privacy-by-design goals so that users have safety, security, control, and transparency over their own data.
- Collaborated closely with privacy lawyers to develop a shared language that allows for understanding of and compliance with privacy legislation, like the GDPR and CCPA.

PUBLICATIONS

“Militant Accelerationism Coalitions: A Case-Study in Neo-Fascist Accelerationist Coalition-Building Online.” *Center on Terrorism, Extremism, and Counterterrorism*. June 2022.

“Understanding Accelerationist Narratives: The Great Replacement Theory.” *Global Network on Extremism and Technology*. May 2022.

“Be Careful Attributing Anything to the Atomwaffen Division.” *Accelerationism Research Consortium*. February 2022.

“The Threat is the Network: The Multi-Node Structure of Neo-Fascist Accelerationism.” *CTC Sentinel*. June 2021.

“Far-right activists on social media telegraphed violence weeks in advance of the attack on the US Capitol.” *The Conversation*. January 2020.

“Parler is bringing together mainstream conservatives, anti-Semites and white supremacists as the social media platform attracts millions of Trump supporters.” *The Conversation*. November 2020.

“The Radicalization Risks of GPT-3 and Advanced Neural Language Models.” *Arxiv*. September 2020.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

“Accelerationism Research in Practice.” *Terrorism and Social Media Conference*. June 2022.

“The Landscape of Extremist Behavior in Games.” *Game Developers Conference*. March 2022.

“The Aesthetics of Acceleration.” *Reactionary Digital Politics: Ideologies, Rhetorics, Aesthetics*. June 2021.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Radio: NPR’s *Morning Edition*, *All Things Considered*, and *On Point*.

Written: Washington Post, New York Times, Vice News, Axios, Politico, FiveThirtyEight, Wired.

SKILLS

- Technical skills: R, Python, SQL, Tableau, machine learning, social network analysis, NLP.
- Other skills: Microsoft Office, social media, journalism, digital privacy, disinformation, and AI security and policy.