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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Journalism & Media, The University of Texas at Austin Expected 2024
Dissertation: Transnational Connective Action Within Chinese Gaming Community
Advisor: Stephen Reese
M.S., Statistics & Data Science, The University of Texas at Austin June 2023
M.A., Communication, Tsinghua University June 2019
B.A., Journalism, Sun Yat-sen University June 2016

RESEARCH INTEREST

- **Multi-platform Activities/Strategies:** Election campaigns ([I6](#),[U2](#)), disinformation campaigns ([J2](#),[J3](#)), media platformization([I5](#).)
- **Digital Journalism:** Collaborative investigation([J2](#)), networked gatekeeping([U1](#)), news framing([J1](#)), authoritarian journalism ([I1](#)), right wing podcast([I8](#),[I10](#).)
- **International/Comparative Studies:** News framing([J1](#)), fact-checking([I2](#)), transnational news flow([I4](#)), transnational social movements (dissertation)

PUBLICATION

Journal Articles

- J3. **Chen, B.**, Lukito, J., Koo, G. H. (2023). Comparing the #StopTheSteal Movement across Multiple Platforms: Differentiating Discourse on Facebook, Twitter, and Parler. *Social Media + Society*, 9(3). [🔗 \[repo\]](#)
- J2. Reese, S. D., **Chen, B.** (2022). Emerging hybrid networks of verification, accountability, and institutional resilience: The US Capitol Riot and the work of open-source investigation. *Journal of Communication*, 72(6), 633-646. [🔗 \[repo\]](#)
- J1. **Chen, B.**, Koo, G. (2022). Journalistic Roles and News Framing: A Comparative Framing Analysis of COVID-19 Pandemic Across China, South Korea, and the United States. *International Journal of Communication*, 16(21). [🔗 \[repo\]](#)

Under Review

- U1. Koo, G. H., **Chen, B.** It's Not Just "8 Dead": News and Twitter's social construction of the Atlanta spa shootings. (*1st round R&R*)
- U2. **Chen, B.**, Borah, P., Dahlke, R., Lukito, J. The Battle for your Email Inbox: Comparing Email Fundraising Strategies of Donald Trump and Joe Biden in the 2020 Presidential Election. (*under review*)
- U3. Lukito, J., Dahlke, R., Greenfield, J., **Chen, B.**, Yang Y. Replicating and Validating Audio-As-Data Tools. (*1st round R&R*)
- U4. **Chen, B.**, Borah, P., Cao, X. Vaccine Communication and Audience Engagement on Social Media. (*under review*)

WORK-IN-PROGRESS

Fact-checking in authoritarian governance

- I1. In Punishment We Trust: Analyzing Content Features and Credibility Judgment of Fact-checking Posts on Chinese Social Media. (*with Lu, S.*)
- I2. Comparing COVID-19 Fact-checking news among China, Israel, India, Russia, and the U.S. (*with Koo, G.H.*)

Digital Divide & AI

- I3. Digital Divide in the AI Era: Access and Use of ChatGPT in Restricted Regions (*with Wu, F.*)
- I4. AI Media Hype in China: Time-series analysis of transnational information flow (*with Lu, S, Chen, A.*)

Multi-platform studies on 2022 US midterm election

(*with MDDC group*)

- I5. Cross-platformization of right-wing media: How U.S. right-wing outlets curate their social media timelines on Twitter and Truth Social.
- I6. Candidates Be Posting: Multi-Platform Strategies and Partisan Preferences in the 2022 U.S. Midterm Election.
- I7. An Ecosystem Divided?: Cross-Platform Election Information Flows in Alt-Tech and Mainstream Social Media Platforms.

Audio-as-data & Political fundraising

- I8. Style Over Substance: Predicting InfoWars Sales with a Multi-Modal Analysis of Alex Jones' Media Empire. (*with Ross, D., Yang, Y., Lukito, J., Greenfield, J., Brown, M., Lewis, R.*)
- I9. "But his emails": The mobilizing effects of Donald Trump emails on political donations. (*with Ross, D., Lukito, J., Borah, P.*)
- I10. The Alex Jones Show Dataset: A Multi-Modal, 18,000-hour Archive of Infowars Political Talk Radio, 2008 to 2023. (*with Dahlke, R., Lukito, J., Greenfield, J., Brown, M., Yang Y., Lewis, B.*)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

- C14 Digital Battlegrounds: Multi-Platform Strategies and Partisan Preferences in the 2022 U.S. Midterm Elections. *MPSA 2024*. Accepted. (*with Wei Zhong, Ross Dahlke, Josephine Lukito, Maggie Macdonald, Megan Brown, Jiyoun Suk, Porismita Borah, Jason Greenfield, Yunkang Yang, Stephen Prochaska.*)
- C13 Chen, B., Borah, P., Dahlke, R., Lukito, J. (2023, May). The Battle for your Email Inbox: Comparing Email Fundraising Strategies of Donald Trump and Joe Biden in the 2020 Presidential Election. *ICA 2023*.
- C12 Koo, G. H., Chen, B., Jeon, G. (2023, May). It's Not Just "8 Dead": News and Twitter's social construction of the Atlanta spa shootings. *ICA 2023*.
- C11 Dahlke, R., Yang, Y., Greenfield, J., Lukito, J., Chen, B., Brown, M., Lewis, R., Borah, P., Foley, J. (2023, May). The secret sauce of the US right-wing media economy: A multimodal case study of Alex Jones and Infowars. *ICA 2023*.
- C10 Reese, S. D. Chen, B. (2022, May). Journalistic innovation for the hybrid institution: Open-source investigation of the January 6 U.S. Capitol Riot. *ICA 2022*.
- C9 Lukito, J., Chen, B., Huang, Q.E., Koo, G. H. (2022, May). Mobilizing the "Stop the Steal" Movement: A Comparison Discourse in Four Social Media Platforms. *ICA 2022*.
- C8 [C14] Dahlke, R., Lukito, J., Huang, Q.E., Nie, J., Chen, B., Borah, P. (2022, May). "But his emails": The mobilizing effects of Donald Trump emails on political donations. *ICA 2022*.
- C7 Chen, B., Koo, G. H (2021, May). Framing COVID-19 pandemic: A comparative study on news frames in China, Korea, and the U.S. *ICA 2021*.

- C6 Chen, B (2020, May). I'm Core, You're Support: Game exposure, in-game positions, social dominance orientation and sexism beliefs in eSports video games. *ICA 2020*. ([Top Student Paper, Gaming Studies Division](#)).
- C5 Chen, B., Dai, J (2019, July) National identity conflict in world risk society: coverage of the North Korean nuclear test by US, Chinese, and South Korean news agencies. *IAMCR 2019*.
- C4 Dai, J., Chen, B (2019, May) The conflicting discourse: How traditional and social media differ in discussing the "Noxious Apple" controversy. *ICA 2019*.
- C3 Chen, B., Hu, A. (2018, Aug). Stop Watching Me: Examining a Moderated Mediation Model of Privacy Concern and Information Control. *AEJMC 2018*. ([Top Student Paper, Graduate Student Interest Group](#)).
- C2 Chen, B., Dai, J. (2018, May). Explaining Political Apathy of Youth: Influence on Political Expression in Social Media. *ICA 2018*.
- C1 Chen, B., Dai, J. (2018, May). Network Heterogeneity and Social Loafing: Mediators Between Social Media Use and Political Expression. *ICA 2018*.

PUBLIC WRITINGS

- P3 Lukito, J., Brown, M., Dahlke, R., Suk J., Yang, Y., Zhang, Y., Chen, B., Kim, S. J., Soorholtz, K. (2023). The State of Digital Media Data Research. MDDC. [\[PDF\]](#)
- P2 Lukito, J., Murthy, D, Chen, B., Kazanas, K., Kolluri, A., Venkatesh, P. (November 11, 2022). Op-Ed: Social Media Platforms' Struggles with Misinformation and Racism: Challenges and Paths Forward. Bridging Barriers. [\[URL\]](#)
- P1 Lukito, J., Kazanas, K., Chen, B. (October 26, 2022). Policy Brief: Designing Responsible AI Technologies to Curb Disinformation Project. [\[PDF\]](#)

ORGANIZED WORKSHOPS

Host

Introduction to Tidyverse Workshop, D&D Group Sept 30, 2022
 Introduction to R Workshop, D&D Group Sept 23, 2022

Panel Chair

The 2022 Digital Data Conference, UT Austin April 14-15, 2022

Co-Host (with Josephine Lukito)

Digital Data Collection Workshop, Global Disinformation Lab May 6, 2022
 Digital Data Collection Workshop, CME Feb 28, 2022

TEACHING

Lab Discussion Instructor

Fall 2019, Fall 2021

Course: UGS303 News Literacy

Instructor: Stephen Reese

Lab Discussion Instructor

Spring 2020

Course: J308D Data, Privacy, and You

Instructor: Dhiraj, Murthy

Teaching Assistant

Summer 2020, Spring 2021, Summer 2021

Course: Social Media Journalism

Instructor: Robert Quigley, Gina Masullo

Lab Discussion Instructor

Fall 2020

Course: UGS303 Popular Culture and Media

Instructor: Renita Coleman

RESEARCH & PROJECT ASSISTANTS	Graduate Research Assistant	Spring 2022 – Present
	Advisor: Josephine Lukito	
	Responsible for data management and processing for Center of Media Engagement (CME), Media & Democracy Data Cooperative (MDDC), and Data & Democracy (D&D) Research Group.	
	Student lead	Fall 2022 - Present
	Data & Democracy D&D research group Responsible for organizing monthly meetings, communicating group updates and follow up ongoing projects.	
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Project Assistant	Fall 2022
	PI: Porismita Borah	
	Data collection and analysis on CDC's vaccine promotion posts on social media	
	Project Assistant	Spring 2022
	PI: Dhiraj Murthy Analyzing hate speech on the far-right online community Parler. Mentoring undergraduate research assistants and research paper writing.	
AWARDS	Data Intern, Didi Chuxing	June 2018 - December 2018
	Freelance Columnist, Lingnan Media Research	2014 - 2017
	Research Intern, Microsoft Research Asia	July 2015 - March 2016
	Journalist Intern, Southern Metropolis Daily	2013 - 2014
AWARDS	Ellen A. Wartella Distinguished Research Award, UT Austin.	2023
	Oxford Media Policy Institute Fellow, Oxford University.	2022
	William H. Mayes Scholarship, UT Austin.	2022
	Ada Francis Miller Endowed Graduate Scholarship, UT Austin.	2021
	Top Student Paper Award, Gaming Studies Division, ICA.	2020
	William H. Mayes Scholarship in Journalism, UT Austin.	2020
	Top Student Paper Award, Kappa Tau Alpha Master Paper Award, AEJMC.	2018
	Outstanding Thesis Award, Tsinghua University.	2019
	National Graduate Scholarship, Ministry of Education, China.	2018
AWARDS	National Undergraduate Scholarship, Ministry of Education, China.	2013, 2014, 2015