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Education

PhD – Information Science 2019 – Present

College of Media Communication and Information, University of Colorado

2021 - Present

Department of Information Science

Supervisor: Bryan Semaan

Concentration: Human Computer Interaction

School of Information Studies, Syracuse University

2019 - 2021

Supervisor: Bryan Semaan

Concentration: Human Computer Interaction

Master of Science - Media Power & Public Affairs

2018

Royal Holloway, University of London

Supervisor: Sofia Collignon

Pass with Distinction, highest thesis grade awarded in course history.

Thesis: You Can't Tweet with Us: The Impact of Hashtag Text on Community Formation within Social

Movements Online.

Bachelor of Arts - History & Political Science

2010

University of Vermont

Dean's List Student

Nominated to Phi Alpha Theta Society for outstanding performance in History. (Spring 2009)

Nominated to the Chi Nu chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society for outstanding performance in Political Science. (Spring 2010)

O.J. Oligiati Scholarship for outstanding academic performance. (2007-2010)

Research Interests

General

Human-Computer Interaction Computer Supported Cooperative Work Social Computing

Research Areas

Algorithms
Identity and Identity Work
Online Content Creation
Creative Labor and Creative Practices

Research Experience

University of Colorado

2021 - Present

College of Media Communication and Information, Aladala (عدالة) Lab

Supervisor: Bryan Semaan

Syracuse University

2019 - 2021

School of Information Studies, Human-Centered Computing and Design (HCC+D) Lab

Supervisor: Bryan Semaan

University of Vermont 2009 – 2010

Department of Political Science Supervisor: Anthony Gierzynski

Publications

Papers (peer reviewed)

(in submission – CHI) **Simpson, E.,** and Semaan, B. Rethinking Creative Labor: A Sociotechnical Examination of Creativity & Creative Work on TikTok. (2022).

(in submission – CHI) Taylor, J., Simpson, E., Tran, A., Wang, K., and Zhu, H. Compiling a Queer Archive: A Systemic Literature Review of Queerness in HCI. (2022).

(in submission – CSCW) Simpson, E., Dalal, S., and Semaan, B. "Hey, Can You Add Captions?": The Critical Infrastructuring Practices of Neurodiverse People on TikTok. (2022)

- P1. Yoon, N., Hemsley, J., Smith, A., **Simpson, E.**, & Eakins, J. (2022). Super-amplifiers! The role of Twitter extended party networks in political elections. Policy & Internet. https://doi.org/10.1002/poi3.295
- C1. Wu, Q., Williams, L.K., **Simpson, E.**, and Semaan, B. (2022) Conversations About Crime: Re-enforcing and Fighting Against Platform Racism on Reddit. Proc. ACM Hum.-Comput. Interact. 6, CSCW1, Article 54 (April 2022), 38 pages. https://doi.org/10.1145/3512901
- C2. **Simpson, E.**, Hamann, A., Semaan, B. (2022). How to Tame "Your" Algorithm: LGBTQ+ Users' Domestication of TikTok. Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Human Computer Interaction. Vol. 6, GROUP, Article 22 (January 2021), 27 pages. https://doi.org/10.1145/3492841
- C3. **Simpson, E.** and Semaan, B. (2021). For You, or For "You"?: Everyday LGBTQ+ Encounters with TikTok. Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing. 4, CSCW3, Article 252 (January 2021), 34 pages. https://doi.org/10.1145/3432951

Book Chapters (peer reviewed)

BC1. Gray, L., **Simpson, E.**, Yeon, J. "Information Community Identity: Examining the Photographic Legacy of Henry Booth Settlement House in Chicago, 1900-1965." In Knowlton, Steven A., Pozzi, E., Sly, J.S., and Spunaugle, eds. *Libraries without Boarders.* (Accepted - to be published Fall 2023)

Special Interest Groups and Workshops (peer reviewed)

(in submission – CHI)

W1. DeVito, M. A., Lustig, C., **Simpson, E.,** Allison, K., Chuanromanee, T., Spiel, K., Ko, A., Rode, J., Dym, B., Muller, M., Scheuerman, M.K., Walker, A.M. Brubaker, J., and Ahmed, A. (2021, May). Queer in HCI: Strengthening the Community of LGBTQIA+ Researchers and Research. In Extended Abstracts of the 2021 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (pp. 1-3). https://doi.org/10.1145/3411763.3450403

W2. DeVito, M.A., Walker, A.M., Lustig, C., Ko, A., Spiel, K., Ahmed, A., Allison, K., Scheuerman, M., Dym, B., Brubaker, J., **Simpson, E.**, Bagalkot, N., Raval, N., Muller, M., Rode, J., and Gray, M.L. (2020, April). Queer in HCI: Supporting LGBTQIA+ Researchers and Research Across Domains. Special Interest Group Convened at

the 2020 ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, Honolulu, HI. https://doi.org/10.1145/3334480.3381058

Posters (peer reviewed)

P1. **Simpson, E.** (2018) Integrated & Alone: The Use of Hashtags in Twitter Social Activism. In Companion of the 2018 ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW 2018) (pp. 237-240). New York: ACM. https://doi.org/10.1145/3272973.3274064

Abstracts (non-archival)

(in submission - Journal of Electronic Gaming and Esports) Dym, B., **Simpson, E.** and striegl, l.r. (2022) Accidental Archiving and Sustainable Game Preservation Work. (Submission for special issue on Diversity and Sustainability in Electronic Gaming and Esports)

Positioning Papers (non-archival)

PP1. **Simpson, E.** (2021). Resilience Strategies for LGBTQ+ TikTok Users. Workshop paper for Against Platform Determinism Academic Workshop, held by Data and Society in conjunction with the Centre for Media, Technology and Democracy (MTD) at McGill University. Online Asynchronous and Montreal, QC (March, 2021).

PP2. **Simpson, E.**, and Semaan, B. (2019). Resisting Identity Invalidation: Exploring Danger in Assumed Safe Spaces Online Amongst Transgender Women. Workshop on Digital Wellbeing for Marginalized Communities, held in conjunction with the ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW 2019), Austin, TX. New York: ACM.

Conference Presentations (non-archival)

CP1. Nutt, R. Gray, L., **Simpson, E.** Yeon, J. (2022). Visualizing Collective Voices Online: Narrative, literacy, and African American Information Communities in a Photographic Archive 54th Annual Conference of the International Visual Literacy Association. Jyväskylä, Finland, 10-12 August 2022.

CP2. Gray, L., **Simpson, E.**, and Yeon, J. (2021). Information Community Identity: Examining the Photographic Legacy of Henry Booth Settlement House in Chicago, 1900-1965. Library History Seminar XI, Spring 2021, Baton Rouge, LA.

CP3. Gray, L., **Simpson, E.,** and Yeon, J. (2020). (Re)Constructing an African American Communal Space: An Information Analysis of a Chicago Public Housing Archive, 1955-1970. 2020 SIG AH Virtual Symposium: Data Curation and Visualization in the Arts & Humanities.

Awards and Recognitions

Against Platform Determinism Academic Workshop – Data & Society

Cohort Selection Stipend: \$150.00

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Teaching Experience	
Instructor of Record, University of Colorado	2022
Introduction to Information Science: Understanding the World Through Data	Summer 2022
Graduate Teaching Professor of Record	
CMCI Pathways to Excellence	Summer 2022
Instructor — Study Skills and Academic Success	
Grader, University of Colorado	2022
Digital Identity	Fall 2022
Instructor: Jed Brubaker	
User-Centered Design	Spring 2022
Instructor: Ricarose Roque	
Teaching Assistant; Studio Instructor, University of Colorado	2021 - Present
Introduction to Information Science: Understanding the World Through Data	Fall 2022
Instructor: Jed Brubaker	
Designing Interactions	Spring 2022
Instructor: Steve Voida	
Introduction to Information Science: Understanding the World Through Data	Fall 2021
Instructor: Jed Brubaker	
Teaching Assistant, Syracuse University	2019 –2021
Data and Society	2020
Instructor: Jennifer Stormer-Galley	2020
Data and Society	2019
Instructor: Bryan Semaan	
Collaborative Course Development, Syracuse University	
Field and Trace Methods (PhD/Masters Course)	2021
Faculty Advisor: Carsten Osterlund	2021
Digital Platforms (Undergraduate Course)	2020
Faculty Advisor: John Jordan	2020
Lucuity Advisor. Somi Sordan	_
Professional Development	
Pedagogical Development	
Inclusive & Engaged Pedagogy Workshop Series	2022
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Service

Committee Work

Vice President, INFO Graduate Student Association, University of Colorado	2021 – 2022
Critical Design Faculty Search Committee, PhD Representative, Syracuse University	2021
Human Computer Interaction Ad-Hoc Committee, Syracuse University	2020
Wellbeing Committee, Syracuse University	2020
Doctoral Committee, Syracuse University	2019 – 2020
MSc Course Student Representative, Royal Holloway, University of London	2017 – 2018
Student Volunteering	
CSCW 2021 Conference Student Volunteer, Social Chair CSCW 2020 Conference Student Volunteer	2021 2020
Reviewing Work	
CHI 2020, 2021, 2022 CHI Late Breaking Work 2022 CSCW 2020, 2021, 2022 CSCW Posters 2022 ICWSM 2022 Techne 2022 JASIST 2022	
Professional Experience	
RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing, Charlotte, NC Senior Correspondence Response Specialist	2018 – 2019
Carmilla: The Series, Toronto, ON, Canada Creative Consultant (Film) Social Media Writer, Series Story Editor (Series) Writer (Season 0, Season 3 Podcasts, Branded Content)	2014 – 2017
Wells Fargo Bank, Fort Mill, SC Business Support Associate Quality Assurance Analyst Loan Servicing Specialist	2012 - 2017 03/16 - 08/17 11/12 - 03/16 03/12 - 11/12
Michael's Crafts, Matthews, NC Senior Framer	2011 – 2012
Korn Law, Columbia, SC	2010 – 2011

Legal Assistant