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EDUCATION	University of California, Berkeley, CA Ph.D. Political Science 2021 - 2026 [†] M.A. Political Science 2021 - 2023 [†] Expected Princeton University, Princeton, NJ A.B. Politics, <i>magna cum laude</i> 2017 - 2021 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certificates in Political Economy, Quantitative and Analytical Political Science, and South Asian Studies• Senior Thesis: Who Run the World? Not Girls: Exploring Voter Preferences, Parties, and Ideologies as Barriers to Women’s Representation in Indian Politics (under Rory Truex)
DISSERTATION PROJECT	Stuck Behind the “Political Glass Wall”: How Gendered Partisan Institutions Act as Barriers to Women’s Political Advancement Committee: Leonardo Arriola (Co-Chair), Amanda Clayton (Co-Chair), Pradeep Chhibber, Stephanie Zonszein, Adam Auerbach
PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES	Siwakoti, S., K. Yadav , N. Bariletto, L. Zanotti, U. Erdogdu, & J.N. Shapiro (2021). “How COVID Drove the Evolution of Fact-Checking.” <i>Harvard Kennedy School Misinformation Review</i> .
OTHER ARTICLES	Siwakoti, S., K. Yadav , I. Thange, N. Bariletto, L. Zanotti, A. Ghoneim, & J.N. Shapiro (2021). “Localized Misinformation in a Global Pandemic: Report on COVID-19 Narratives Around the World.” <i>Empirical Studies of Conflict, Princeton University</i> . Yadav, K. , U. Erdogdu, S. Siwakoti, J.N. Shapiro, & A. Wanless (2021). “Countries have more than 100 laws on the books to combat misinformation. How well do they work?” <i>Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists</i> .
BOOK CHAPTERS	Yadav, K. , A. Wanless, & S. Lai (Forthcoming). ‘Multilateral Efforts on Information Integrity: Why A Clearer Definition is Needed’ in <i>Springer Handbook on Disinformation: A Multidisciplinary Analysis</i> .
WORKING PAPERS	“Kinship and Women’s Collective Efficacy in Malawi” <i>with Amanda Robinson, Amanda Clayton, Boniface Dulani, and Asiyati Cheweza</i> “It’s My Duty’: How Social Norms Influence Peer-to-Peer Correction of False Claims Online” <i>with Rachel Xu</i> “When Gatekeepers Open the Gates: Internal Party Quotas as Reputation Building Strategies.”
WORKS IN PROGRESS	“Unlocking Urban Democracy: Voter Engagement in Local Level Zambian Politics” <i>with Leonardo Arriola, Nicholas Dorward, and Melanie Phillips</i> “Candidate Selection and Withdrawal in Urban Politics in Rajasthan, India” <i>with Priyadarshi Amar, Anirvan Chowdhury, and Varun Karekurve-Ramachandra</i> “Gatekeepers of Representation: The Role of Candidate Training Programs on Minority Candidate Supply” <i>with Diana Da In Lee</i>

GRANTS & AWARDS	Bhattacharya Graduate Research Fellowship, UC Berkeley (\$1000)	2025
	SurveyCTO Research Grant Award (Honorable Mention)	2024
	UC Berkeley Graduate Division Conference Travel Grant (\$1,500)	2024
	Simpson ABD Fellowship, UC Berkeley (\$10,934)	2024
	Bhattacharya Graduate Research Fellowship, UC Berkeley (\$1000)	2024
	Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley	2024
	Simpson Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship in International and Area Studies, UC Berkeley (\$5000)	2023
	Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley	2023
	Caroline M. Picard Prize, Princeton University (\$5000)	2020
	International Internship Program Fellowship, Princeton University (\$2000)	2019
	Whig-Clio Summer Fellowship, Princeton University (\$1500)	2018
CONFERENCES & INVITED TALKS	Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work, USC, <i>Guest Lecture</i>	2025
	Conference of Graduate Research on Contemporary South Asia, Brown University, <i>Presenter</i>	2025
	Conference on Bridging Representation Gaps, Princeton University, <i>Discussant</i>	2025
	European Conference on Politics and Gender, <i>Paper Presentation</i>	2024
	Midwestern Political Science Association Conference, <i>Paper Presentation</i>	2024
	NYU Rebecca Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science, <i>Poster</i>	2024
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	American Political Science Association Conference, <i>Panel Chair</i>	2023
	Graphika Technologies Inc., New York	
	<i>Research Analyst</i>	2024
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzed online threats and malign narratives on social media maps and networks related to entertainment and Indian election landscapes 	
	Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington D.C.	
	<i>Research Analyst</i>	2023 - 2024
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Published research on information integrity as a concept and assessing reports from the European Union's Code of Practice on Disinformation to suggest improved impact measurement metrics of social media platforms' interventions to counter disinformation Contributed to an original dataset on indicators to assess quality of an information environment 	
	<i>Research Assistant</i>	2020 - 2022
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Published research on the information environment, and social media platform interventions and policy proposals to counter influence operations Wrote three reports for and assisted in the foundation of a new research institution, Institute for the Research on the Information Environment 	
	Empirical Studies of Conflict, Princeton, NJ	2019 - 2021
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<i>Research Assistant</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted descriptive and observational causal inference on data gathered from Twitter's API on fact-checking efforts by 15 organizations from across the globe during the COVID-19 pandemic Contributed to research projects on COVID-19 misinformation, Russian propaganda, and foreign influence efforts in South Asia and Latin America 	
	D-Lab at University of California, Berkeley	2023 - 2025
	<i>Senior Data Science Fellow</i>	

- Taught and assisted workshops on statistical softwares (R and Python), wrote posts on applications of quantitative research methods, and presented research to other Fellowship recipients
- Designed curriculum on effective survey design on Qualtrics and use of large language models (LLMs) in early-stage research

University of California, Berkeley

2022 - 2024

Graduate Student Instructor

- PS231A (Graduate): Quantitative Analysis in Political Research ([Fall '22 Course Evaluations: 6.44/7](#), [Fall '23 Course Evaluations: 6.82/7](#))
- PS236B (Graduate): Quantitative Methodology in the Social Sciences ([Spring '23 Course Evaluations: 6.5/7](#))
- PS3 (Undergraduate): Introduction to Empirical Analysis and Quantitative Methods ([Spring 2024 Section 1 Evaluations: 6.86/7](#), [Section 2 Evaluations: 6.75/7](#))
- PS164 (Undergraduate): Political Psychology and Involvement ([Summer 2025 Evaluations: 6.25/7](#))

McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning, Princeton, NJ

2018 - 2021

Tutor

- Tutored undergraduate students in introductory math and economics courses

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Yadav, K. & S. Lai (2024). "What Does Information Integrity Mean for Democracies?" [Lawfare](#).

Lai, S. & K. Yadav (2023). "Operational Reporting in Practice: The EU's Code of Practice on Disinformation." [Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](#).

Yadav, K (2023). "Exploratory Data Analysis in Social Science Research." [Berkeley D-Lab](#)

Adam, I., S. Lai, A. Nelson, A. Wanless, & K. Yadav (2023). "Emergency Management and Information Integrity: A Framework for Crisis Response." [Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](#).

Yadav, K., M.J. Riedl, A. Wanless, & S. Woolley (2023). "What makes an influence operation malign?" [Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](#).

Reynolds, J.R., A. Bawa, & K. Yadav (2022). "Researcher Access to Restricted Government Data." [Institute for Research on the Information Environment](#).

Wanless, A. & K. Yadav (2022). "What Do Transparency and Data Sharing Really Mean?" [Lawfare](#).

Yadav, K. & A. Wanless (2022). "Social Listening Companies and Access to Sensitive Data." [Institute for Research on the Information Environment](#).

Yadav, K., K.D. Gall, & J.R. Reynolds (2022). "Financial Models of Large-Scale Scientific Instruments and Organizations." [Institute for Research on the Information Environment](#).

Yadav, K (2021). "Platform Interventions: How Social Media Counters Influence Operations." [Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](#).

Yadav, K (2020). "Countering Influence Operations: A Review of Policy Proposals Since 2016." [Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](#).

Yadav, K., I. Thange, J. Ilhardt, S. Siwakoti, & J.N. Shapiro (2020). "Old hatreds fuel online misinformation about COVID-19 in South Asia." [Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists](#).

Dubow, B., E. Hu, J.N. Shapiro, U. Erdogdu, & K. Yadav (2020). "Here's how Russia's RT spread propaganda in the lead-up to the election." [Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists](#).

Musto, G., K. Yadav, A. Yan, J. Oledan, & J.N. Shapiro (2020). “A jet ski vacation during the coronavirus lockdown? Online liars want to make you mad at politicians.” *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*.

SERVICE	Gender and Political Participation Working Group	2024 - 2025
	<i>Coordinator</i>	
	Comparative Politics Colloquium, UC Berkeley	2023 - 2024
	<i>Graduate student coordinator</i>	
SKILLS	Center for the Politics of Development Workshop, UC Berkeley	2022 - 2023
	<i>Graduate student coordinator</i>	
	Equity and Inclusion Committee, UC Berkeley	2022 - 2023
	Languages: English & Hindi	
	Survey Platforms: Qualtrics, SurveyCTO	
	Code: R, L ^A T _E X, Jupyter, Git, ArcGIS (beginner), SQL (beginner), Python (beginner)	
	Research skills: Design-based causal inference, survey experiments, field experiments, machine learning methods	
	Fieldwork: India (December 2023 - January 2024, July 2024 - September 2024, December 2024 - February 2025)	