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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, CA

Ph.D. Political Science 2021 -M.A. Political Science 2023

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

A.B. Politics, magna cum laude

2021

 Certificates in Political Economy, Quantitative and Analytical Political Science, and South Asian Studies

DISSERTATION PROJECT

Guarding the Gates: How Parties Constrain Women's Political Ambition and Rise in Urban Politics

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ARTICLES

Siwakoti, S., **K. Yadav**, N. Bariletto, L. Zanotti, U. Erdogdu, & J.N. Shapiro (2021). "How COVID Drove the Evolution of Fact-Checking." *Harvard Kennedy School Misinformation Review*.

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." *Empirical Studies of Conflict, Princeton University*. **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?" *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Yadav, K., A. Wanless, & S. Lai (Forthcoming). 'Multilateral Efforts on Information Integrity: Why A Clearer Definition is Needed" in *Springer Handbook on Disinformation: A Multidisciplinary Analysis*.

Working Papers

"Kinship and Women's Collective Efficacy in Malawi" with Amanda Robinson, Amanda Clayton, Boniface Dulani, and Asiyati Cheweza

"Gatekeepers of Representation: The Role of Candidate Training Programs on Minority Candidate Supply" with Diana Lee

""It's My Duty": How Social Norms Influence Peer-to-Peer Correction of False Claims Online" with Rachel Xu

Yadav, K. "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" with Leonardo Arriola, Nicholas Dorward, and Melanie Phillips

"Candidate Selection and Withdrawal in Urban Politics in Rajasthan, India" with Priyadarshi Amar, Anirvan Chowdhury, and Varun Karekurve-Ramachandra

Grants & Awards

| | Bhattacharya Graduate Research Fellowship, UC Berkeley (\$1000) | 2025 |
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| | 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 | Conference of Graduate Research on Contemporary South Asia, Brown University, <i>Planned Presenter</i> | 2025 |
| | Conference on Bridging Representation Gaps, Princeton University, Discussant | 2025 |
| | European Conference on Politics and Gender, Paper Presentation | 2024 |
| | Midwestern Political Science Association Conference, Paper Presentation | 2024 |
| | NYU Rebecca Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science, Poster | 2024 |
| | American Political Science Association Conference, Panel Chair | 2023 |
| Professional | Graphika Technologies Inc., New York | |
| EXPERIENCE | Research Analyst | 2024 |
| | • 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.

Research Analyst

2023 - 2024

- Contributing to an original dataset on indicators to assess quality of an information environment
- 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

Research Assistant 2020 - 2022

- 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

 $Research\ Assistant$

- 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

Centre for Social Research, India

2019

Research Intern

• Drafted a review paper on reasons for underrepresentation of women in politics and policy solutions to improve the same

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

D-Lab at University of California, Berkeley

2023 - 2025

Senior Data Science Fellow

- Instructing and assisting workshops on statistical softwares (R and Python), writing posts on applications of quantitative research methods, and presenting research to other Fellowship recipients
- Designing 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 for 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 |
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| | Coordinator | |
| | Comparative Politics Colloquium, UC Berkeley | 2023 - 2024 |
| | $Graduate\ student\ coordinator$ | |
| | Center for the Politics of Development Workshop, UC Berkeley | 2022 - 2023 |
| | Graduate student coordinator | |
| | Equity and Inclusion Committee, UC Berkeley | 2022 - 2023 |
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Skills Languages: English & Hindi

Survey Platforms: Qualtrics, SurveyCTO

Code: R, LATEX, 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)