Kashmiri Medhi

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Highly driven Political Science PhD student with demonstrated experience in qualitative and quantitative research projects

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant   Aug 2019 — Present
University of Texas at Dallas   Richardson, TX

- Developed a novel quantitative approach (linear regression, cluster analysis) to dissect fragmentation and unification trends within protest campaigns, shedding light on pivotal factors influencing their outcomes.
- Leading a research study on analyzing search query data and developing a quantitative method for scoring the amount of fragmentation in protest campaigns for unraveling government strategies.
- Working on a text analysis on Kremlin.Ru, examining over 36,000 events to decode the propaganda methods employed by authoritative regimes, revealing underlying patterns and strategic narratives.
- Concluded a comprehensive study by creating a novel dataset and using quantitative techniques to delve into the nuances of transnational repression globally.

Apprentice UX Researcher   Dec 2021 — Feb 2022
TechFleet / The Serious Type   Remote, USA

- Analyzed The-Serious-Type website to identify user pain points in a targeted positive teen social space.
- Assisted UX design with artifacts for website-to-app transition, highlighting user needs and future vision.
- Directed research methods like test plans and interviews, optimizing based on goals and resources.

Volunteer UX Researcher   Aug 2021 — Sep 2021
TechFleet / Beela   Remote, USA

- Collaborated on an exploratory project for user experience research on refining Beela website for refugees.
- Designed and launched a survey to quantify key pain points Beela users face in transitioning to working in IT in Sweden.
- Insights from the survey were used to improve Beela's outreach strategy, service design, and content development on its website.

Research Assistant   Sep 2016 — Dec 2018
Institute for Research on India and International Studies   Delhi, India

- Researched global south scholars' roles in top Western journals for the "Global Governance" project using mixed-methods research.
- Managed an ICSSR project coordinating logistics, academic communications, and workshop/conference events.
- Conducted literature review to establish the 'Delhi School of Transnational Affairs', the first virtual platform at the University of Delhi.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science, University of Texas at Dallas   Aug 2019 — May 2024
Master of Science, Social Data Analytics and Research, University of Texas at Dallas   Aug 2022 — May 2024
Bachelor & Master of Arts, Political Science, University of Delhi   Jul 2009 — May 2014

SKILLS

Research Skills   Surveys, In-depth interviewing, Focus Group Discussions, Statistical Methods, Case Study
Technical   R/RStudio, Python, LaTeX, Miro, Trello, Figma, Stata

RELEVANT PAPERS

- "Under the same flag: exploring protest fragmentation with search query data" with Anton Sobolev.
- "Strategizing Silence and Signal: Analyzing Russian Propaganda Using Putin's Official Schedule" with Anton Sobolev.
- "Transnational Repression: International Cooperation in Silencing Dissent." with Rebecca Cordell. (under journal review)

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Government and Political Science Fellowship award, University of Texas at Dallas   April 2023
US-Andean Innovation Fund Grant Competition, US Department of State   July - August 2023
Political Methodology XL, National Science Foundation   July 2023
Travel Grant, American Political Science Association   September 2023