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RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant

Aug 2019 — Present

University of Texas at Dallas

Richardson, TX

- Developed a novel quantitative approach using statistical methods to dissect fragmentation and unification trends within protest campaigns, shedding light on pivotal factors influencing their outcomes.
- 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 quantitative study by creating a novel dataset to understand the willingeness of host countries to participate in transnational repression.

Apprentice UX Researcher

Dec 2021 — Feb 2022

TechFleet / The Serious Type

Remote, USA

- · Conducted exploratory research, delving into academic studies on social media usage and design preferences for Gen-Z/digital natives. Conducted a comprehensive competitive analysis to understand user engagement on other platforms, leveraging findings to enhance website strategies for 'The Serious Type'.
- Used extensive data collection through surveys and user interviews targeting different age groups, including under and over 18s, to gather qualitative and quantitative insights. Utilized affinity mapping techniques to synthesize academic research and survey results, facilitating the creation of accurate user personas and the iteration of user-centric solutions.
- Led two rounds of usability testing with a focus on Gen-Z participants, evaluating initial concepts and app flows. This iterative process informed refinements in app design and functionality, aligning closely with user needs and the business goals of 'The Serious Type'.

Aug 2021 — Sep 2021 Volunteer UX Researcher

TechFleet / Beela

Remote, USA

- Collaborated on an exploratory project for user experience research on refining Beela website for refugees in Sweden.
- · Designed and launched a survey to quantify key pain points Beela users face in transitioning to working in IT in the country.

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 **Technical**

Surveys, In-depth interviewing, Focus Group Discussions, Statistical Methods, Case Study

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

HR Best Paper Award, International Studies Association

April 2024

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 **July 2023**

Political Methodology XL, National Science Foundation

Travel Grant, American Political Science Association

September 2023