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EDUCATION

2026 **Ph.D., Communication**
Annenberg School for Communication, University of Southern California

2021 **M.A., Media, Culture, and Communication**
New York University
Thesis: *Contingent Connectivity: How Internet Shutdowns Shape Access to Citizenship*

2011 **B.S., Economics** *with Minor in Asian American Studies*
The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

2013 Chow, O., **Grover, R.**, Lee, C., & Villano, V. P. Building Asian American Political Power Through Online Organizing: How Digital Activism Mobilized a Community and Changed the Policy Conversation in Washington, DC. *Asian American Policy Review*, *23*. *(Authors listed alphabetically)*

Reports

2021 **Grover, R.** & Kho, J. Building healthy membership communities: Lessons from newsrooms around the world. *Membership Puzzle Project*. https://membershippuzzle.org/articles-overview/lessons-from-newsrooms/. *(Authors listed alphabetically)*

Manuscripts Under Review

Grover, R. Contingent Connectivity: Mobile Internet as Political Infrastructure in Internet Shutdowns. (Under review at *New Media & Society*)

CONFERENCE PAPERS

2021 **Grover, R.** "Technosocial Discourse as Democratic Contestation: Aarogya Setu on Github." Graduate Research in Science and Technology Studies (GRISTS) Conference. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. October 28–30. *(Accepted)*

2021 **Grover, R.** "#SaveTheInternet? A Postcolonial Critique of an Acclaimed Digital Rights Movement." Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR) Conference. Remote. October 12–16. *(Accepted)*

2021	**Grover, R.** "Who Was Microtargeted in the 2020 Presidential Elections?" American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. September 30–October 3. *(Accepted)*
2021	**Grover, R.** "The Politics of (Dis)connectivity: Mobile Internet as Political Infrastructure in Internet Shutdowns." International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR) Conference. Remote. July 11–15.
2021	**Grover, R.** "Contingent Connectivity: How Internet Shutdowns Shape Access to Citizenship." International Communication Association (ICA) Annual Conference. Remote. May 27–31.

RESEARCH GRANTS

2021	Virginia Gray Graduate Research Award, $250 research grant Political Organizations and Parties (POP) Section, American Political Science Association
2021	Research grant, $5,000 (with Jennifer Kho, HuffPost) Membership Puzzle Project
2021	CV Starr Student Research Grant, $110 NYU Asian/Pacific/American Institute
2021	Research grant, $163 NYU Steinhardt Graduate Student Organization

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2021 – 2026	Annenberg Graduate Fellowship USC Graduate School
2021 – 2024	Roy H. Park Fellowship *(declined)* Hussman School of Journalism and Media, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
2021 – 2025	School of Communication & Information Fellowship *(declined)* Rutgers University
2021 – 2022	Technology and Public Purpose Fellowship, $83,333 stipend *(declined)* Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School
2020	Rosenberg Award, $20,000 scholarship Department of Media, Culture, and Communication, NYU
2020	Global Pathways Opportunity Scholarship, $5,000 scholarship *(declined)* NYU Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development

2013 – 2014	Fellow Front Line Leaders Academy, People For the American Way Foundation
2012	New Leaders Fellowship Center for Progressive Leadership
2010	Fellow, $1,250 education award AmeriCorps
2010	Summer Fellowship National Consumer Law Center
2008 – 2010	AIG Foundation Scholarship, $42,000 scholarship over 3 years

HONORS

2021	Distinguished Thesis Award, Department of Media, Culture, and Communication, NYU, $200 award
2011	Student Leadership Award, University of Pennsylvania Asian Alumni Network
2010	Sphinx Senior Honor Society, University of Pennsylvania
2010	Oracle Senior Honor Society, University of Pennsylvania

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

2008 – 2010	OPIM 101: Introduction to Operations and Information Management, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

Tutor, University of Pennsylvania

2008 – 2009	MATH 104: Calculus I, The Tutoring Center, University of Pennsylvania
2008 – 2009	STAT 101: Introduction to Business Statistics, The Tutoring Center, University of Pennsylvania

Mentor, University of Pennsylvania

2010 – 2011	Mentor, Promoting Enriching Experiences and Relationships (PEER), Pan-Asian American Community House
2009, 2010	Student Leader, PENNacle student leadership retreat, Office of Student Affairs

SERVICE

Conference Reviewing

2021	Association of Internet Researchers
2020	International Communication Association

University Service, University of Pennsylvania

2010 – 2011	Mis/Under-Represented Constituencies Representative, University Council
2010 – 2011	Pan-Asian American Community House Advisory Board

2009 – 2011	Asian American Studies Program Undergraduate Advisory Board
2009 – 2010	Chair, Asian Pacific Student Coalition
2009 – 2010	Co-Chair, Tangible Change Committee
2009 – 2010	Undergraduate Assembly Steering Committee
2007 – 2010	Vice President of External Affairs, Class of 2011

SELECTED INVITED TALKS

2021	"Building healthy membership communities: Lessons from newsrooms around the world", Membership Puzzle Project Research Showcase, Virtual. *(Forthcoming)*
2020	"Editorial and Product: Don't mind the gap - bridge it". SRCCON:PRODUCT, OpenNews, Philadelphia, PA.
2017	"Build a process, not a product." OPEN Tech Summit, Online Progressive Exchange Network, Berlin, Germany.
2014	"Reading data to ask the right questions." Roma Initiative Training, Open Society Foundations, Washington, DC.
2014	"Measuring your impact." Communications Boot Camp for LGBT Movement Leaders, Equality Federation and the Gill Foundation, Denver, CO.
2013	"Online organizing: How to win the internet for social justice." DesiQ: International Conference of LGBTQ South Asians, San Francisco, CA.
2013	"Tools for state voter file managers." Democratic National Committee. Washington, DC.
2013	Invited panelist, AIM (Advocacy, Impact & Mobilization) for Equity. Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum, Arlington, VA.
2013	"How to win the internet for social justice." National South Asian Summit, South Asian Americans Leading Together, Washington, DC.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 – 2021	**HuffPost**, New York, NY Senior Product Manager (2020 – 2021), Product Manager (2019 – 2020)
2018	**MoveOn**, Berkeley, CA Product Manager
2016 – 2018	**Jhatkaa.org**, Bangalore, India Technology Manager
2013 – 2015	**Upworthy**, New York, NY

Senior Business Intelligence Analyst

2012 – 2015   **The Brain Trust**, Washington, DC
Co-Founder & Digital Strategy Consultant

2012 – 2013   **Planned Parenthood Federation of America**, Washington, DC
Data & Analytics Associate

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association
American Sociological Association
Association of Internet Researchers
International Association for Media and Communication Research
International Communication Association