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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017-2018 Research Associate, Humanities Research Center, Rice University

2015-2017 Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, Humanities Research Center, Rice University

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Hawaii at Manoa, May 2015

M.A. Political Science, University of Hawaii at Manoa, May 2011

B.A. Government, Eastern Washington University, June 2008

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Under Review Dark Networks of Power: Procedural Cunning and Silk Road Rhetorics. *Theory, Culture and Society*. (with Michael Portal and Stephen Duke)

2014 Colonization.com—Empire Building for a New Digital Age. *East-West Affairs* 1, no. 4: 93-107.

2013 Bad Language: Emerging Issues in Electronic Discourse. *Journal of Futures Studies* 17, no. 3: 145-146.

2013 Recent Trends in Adolescent Alcohol Use in Hawai'i: 2005-2011. *Hawai'i Journal of Medicine & Public Health* 72.3: 92-98. (with Claudio Nigg)

Chapters in Edited Volumes

2016 Coercive Cyberspaces and Governing Internet Futures. In J. Winter & R. Ono (Eds.), *The Future Internet: Alternative Visions* (pp.78-80). Springer International Publishing.

2013 Flying Past Filters and Firewalls. In U. Gasser & R. Faris et. Al (Eds.), *Internet Monitor 2013: Reflections on the Digital World* (pp. 83-85). The Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society at Harvard University. *Featured in Slate Magazine's *Future Tense*

Other Publications

- 2012 Poverty 2039: Exercises in Pro-Poor Education. *Rockefeller Foundation and Institute for Alternative Futures Pro-Poor Initiative*. (with Heather Frey)
- 2011 Hawaii 2060: Visioning Hawaii's Adaptation to Climate Change. *Hawaii State Office of Planning*. (with Scott Yim and Heather Frey)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Rice University, Undergraduate Level Sole Instructor

Politics of Psychiatric Media (Spring 2017)

Digital Power-Knowledge Seminar (Spring 2016)

Rice University, Graduate Level

Rice Seminar on "Chronotropic Imaginaries"
(Fall 2016-Spring 2017, Co-Taught with Farès el-Dahdah & Melissa Bailar)

John E. Sawyer Seminar on "Platforms of Knowledge"
(Fall 2015-Spring 2016, Co-Taught with Farès el-Dahdah & Melissa Bailar)

University of Hawaii at Manoa, Undergraduate Level Sole Instructor

American Politics (Spring 2015)

History of Political Thought (Fall 2014, Fall 2013)

Introduction to Political Science (Spring 2014)

Introduction to American Politics (Spring 2013)

Media and Politics (Fall 2012)

University of Hawaii at Manoa, Graduate Level

Seminar in Political Thought (Spring 2014, Co-Taught with Michael J. Shapiro)

PROFESSIONAL & ACADEMIC SERVICE

- 2016-2017 Organizer, "Chronotropic Imaginaries" Speaker Series, Humanities Research Center, Rice University
- 2015-2016 Organizer, "Platforms of Knowledge" Speaker Series, Humanities Research Center, Rice University
- 2014-2015 Graduate Teaching Orientation Adviser, Center for Teaching Excellence, UHM

- 2014-2015 Teaching Liaison Committee, Department of Political Science, UHM
- 2012-2015 Grants & Award Committee, Department of Political Science, UHM
- 2013-2014 Graduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science, UHM
- 2012-2013 Graduate Student Organization Department Representative, UHM
- 2011-2012 Admissions Committee, Department of Political Science, UHM
- 2010-2011 Colloquium Committee, Department of Political Science, UHM

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

- 2017 Kathryn Davis Fellow for Peace, Middlebury College
- 2017 Research Projects Grant, Rice University
- 2015 Frances Davis Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, UHM
- 2015 Dai Ho Chun Fund for Graduate Research Award, UHM
- 2015 College of Social Sciences Award for Professional Development in Research, UHM
- 2014-2015 Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii
- 2014-2015 Graduate Fellowship, Scholars Strategy Network
- 2011-2015 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Political Science, UHM
- 2014 Harry Friedman Award for the Best Paper in Political Science, UHM
- 2013 Jorge Fernandes Memorial Award for Outstanding Research, UHM
- 2012 Glendon & James Schubert Political Science Endowed Scholarship, UHM
- 2011 Pro-Poor Economic Foresight Award, Rockefeller Foundation
- 2011 Graduate Research Fellowship, Department of Public Health Sciences, UHM
- 2009-2010 Graduate Division Achievement Scholarship, UHM

INVITED TALKS

- 2017 Excitable Tweets: Obscenity in American Politics after Trump. Lone Star College, Houston TX. March 29.

- 2015 Predictable Animals: Coercive Ergonomics and the Manufacture of Homo Digitalis. UNESCO & Romanian Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Mutual Learning Workshop. Bucharest, Romania, August 26.
- 2015 Dirty Digital Language. Humanities Research Center, Rice University, February 3.
- 2014 Digital Politics: Stratagematic Stupidity, Adversarial Design, and Post-Internet Futures. UNESCO & Romanian Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Mutual Learning Workshop. Bucharest, Romania, June 24.
- 2013 Strings Behaving Badly, or the Digitization of Taboo Language Control. The Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society, Harvard University. Cambridge, MA, July 30.

SELECTED CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Panels Organized

- 2018 Old and New Media Archaeologies. International Studies Association Conference. San Francisco, CA, April 4-7.
- 2018 Cultural Governance and the Politics of Intellectual Property. Western Political Science Association Conference. San Francisco, CA, March 29-31.
- 2017 Insurrectionary Machines: The Disruptive Politics of Anarchist Printers, Algorithms, and Artefacts. Western Political Science Association Conference. Vancouver B.C., April 13-15.
- 2016 When the Internet Goes Viral on Things. Association of Internet Researchers Conference. Berlin, Germany, October 5-8.
- 2015 Digital Politics and the Networked Eye. International Studies Association Convention. New Orleans, LA, February 18-21.

Papers

- 2018 Psychiatric Worms: Morgellon's Disease and Data Parasitosis. International Studies Association Convention. San Francisco, CA, April 4-7.
- 2018 Spelling Trouble: Fighting Bad English with Copyright Law from Webster to Google. Western Political Science Association Conference. San Francisco, CA, March 29-31.
- 2016 Touretic Media: Theorizing Digital Infectivity and Viral Discursive Formations. Association for Political Theory Annual Meeting. Ohio State University, October 20-22.
- 2016 How to Catch Tourette Syndrome from Facebook and YouTube. Association of Internet Researchers Conference. Berlin, Germany, October 5-8.
- 2016 Who's Laughing Now? A Politics of Tics, or Critical Thinking with Tourette's Syndrome. American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, September 1-4.

- 2016 Internet Corporations, Hackers, and Distributed Digital Agency. International Studies Association Convention. Atlanta, GA, March 16-19.
- 2015 Digital Political Thought and the Rewritable User. Association of Internet Researchers Conference. Phoenix, AZ, October 21-24.
- 2015 A Cognitive Life of Sorts: Filtered and Obscured Synoptic Visions of the Web. International Studies Association Convention. New Orleans, LA, February 18-21.
- 2014 Keyword Culture: Transforming Words into Information and the Technical Control of Language. Western Political Science Association Conference. Seattle, WA, April 17-19
- 2013 Steering Through Spellcheck and the Googlization of Control. International Political Sociology Doctoral Workshop. Honolulu, HI, August 26.
- 2013 Pre-Speech and Free Speech: Digital Constraints on Expression and the First Amendment. Graduate Student Workshop of the Law & Society Association. Boston, MA, May 27-28
- 2011 Education in Thirty Years, 1968-2011: Continuities, cycles, and novelties. Global Higher Education Forum. Penang, Malaysia, December 13-16.

Discussant

- 2017 Politics and Comedy: Critical Encounters with Race and Gender. Western Political Science Association Conference. Vancouver B.C., Canada, April 13-15.
- 2016 Interfacing the International: Games, Crowds, and the New Politics of Participation. International Studies Association. Atlanta, GA, March 16-19.
- 2016 Videogames and World Politics. International Studies Association Annual Convention. Atlanta, GA, March 16-19.
- 2015 Crypto and the Academy. Association of Internet Researchers Conference. Phoenix, AZ, October 21-24.
- 2015 Data, Information, and Networks: Politicizing the Contemporary. Western Political Science Association Conference. Las Vegas, NV, April 2-4.

CAMPUS TALKS

- 2017 The Clothes with No Emperor: Searching for Machiavelli's Prince and the New Fascist Politics of Stupidity. Ersatzism Conference. Rice University, Houston, TX, May 3.
- 2017 The Computer in Drag: What Happens When an AI Chatbot Speaks on Trump's Twitter? Center for the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality 10th Annual Graduate Symposium. Rice University, April 21.
- 2014 Sophisticated Treatments for Cursing Brains: A Genealogy of Tourette's Syndrome. Department of Political Science Colloquium, UHM. Honolulu, HI, February 2.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Summer 2014 Research Assistant, Internet Governance Project, The Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society, Harvard University
- Summer 2013 Research Assistant, Freedom of Expression Project, The Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society, Harvard University
- Spring 2013 Research Assistant for Debora Halbert, Department of Political Science, UHM
- 2011-2012 Research Assistant for Claudio Nigg, Department of Public Health Sciences, UHM

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