PRANAV MALHOTRA
Curriculum Vitae

LSA Communication & Media
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EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, USA
Ph.D., Communication (June 2023)
Dissertation Title: Bounded social media places
Advisor: Dr. Katy Pearce

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
Master of Mass Communication (2016-2018)
Thesis Title: Mobile phone use among live-out domestic workers in Delhi
Advisor: Dr. Rich Ling

University of Delhi, India
B.Sc. (Honors) Chemistry (2009-2012)

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA
Assistant Professor of Communication and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

Malhotra P., Zhong, R., Kuan V., Panatula G., Weng M., Bras A., Sehat M. C., Roesner F., & Zhang, X. A. (2023). User experiences and needs when responding to misinformation on social media. *Harvard Kennedy School (HKS) Misinformation Review*. https://doi.org/10.37016/mr-2020-129

Malhotra, P. (2023). Misinformation on WhatsApp: Generational perceptions and correction considerations among young Indians. *Digital Journalism*. https://doi.org/10.1080/21670811.2023.2213731

Malhotra, P., & Pearce, K.E. (2022). Facing falsehoods: Strategies for polite misinformation correction. *International Journal for Communication, 16*, 2303-2324.

Malhotra, P., Scharp, K., & Thomas, L. (2022). The meaning of misinformation and those who correct it: An extension of relational dialectics theory. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, 39*(5), 1256–1276. https://doi.org/10.1177/02654075211050429

Pearce, K.E., & **Malhotra, P.** (2022). Inaccuracies and Izzat: Channel affordances for the consideration of face in misinformation correction. *Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication 27*(2). https://doi.org/10.1093/jcmc/zmac004

Malhotra, P., & Ling, R. S. (2020). Agency within contextual constraints: Mobile phone use among female live-out domestic workers in Delhi. *Information Technologies & International Development*, *16*, 32-46.

Edited Volumes/Special Issues
Malhotra, P., Brewton, F. J., & Ling, R. (2023). Fashion Meets Religion The Hijab, Social Media, and Religious Identity in Singapore. In P. Moy & R. Neumann (Eds.) *Political Communication, Culture, and Society* (pp. 132-149). Routledge.

Malhotra, P. (2020). A relationship-centered and culturally informed approach to studying misinformation on COVID-19. *Social Media+ Society, 6*(3), 2K: COVID-19 and the Media Issue. https://doi.org/10.1177/2056305120948224

Manuscripts in Preparation/Under Review
Pei, X., **Malhotra, P.**, & Ling, R .S. (Eds). (in press). *Mobile communication and women's agency: Under the radar*. Book under contract at Routledge, UK.

Malhotra, P. (Under Review). "What You Post in the Group Stays in the Group": Examining the Affordances of Bounded Social Media Places.

Malhotra, P. (In preparation). Understanding Information Credibility Evaluation on Bounded Social Media Places: A Mixed Methods Study.

Other Publications

Malhotra, P. (2020, Sept. 18). The Social Dilemma Fails to Tackle the Real Issues in Tech. *Slate.* https://slate.com/technology/2020/09/social-dilemma-netflix-technology.html

Kuo, R., **Malhotra, P.**, Moran, R. & Nguyễn, S. (2023). Transnational Information Studies Syllabus. The Bulletin of Technology & Public Life. https://citap.pubpub.org/pub/transnational-info-syllabus/release/1

AWARDS AND HONORS
Nanyang Technological University
Pearson Education Gold Medal (2018)
- Awarded to top graduating student for Master of Mass Communication program

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS
University of Washington
Peter Clarke and Susan Evans Graduate Research Fund (2020)
- $2700 in research funding
Top Scholar Fellowship (2019)
- Full stipend for one academic quarter

Nanyang Technological University
Master of Mass Communication Scholarship (2017)

- Tuition waiver for one semester

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Peer-Reviewed, Non-Proceedings Papers and Panels

Malhotra, P., Hall, N.A., Chadwick, A., Lawson, B., Vaccari, C., Stahl, L., & Xia, Y. (2023). Using Interpretive Methods to Study Credibility Evaluation of Online Information. Panel presented to the Association of Internet Researchers, Philadelphia.

Coward, C., Sey, A., Pearce, K. E., **Malhotra, P.**, Bugre, C., & Wack, M. (2022, June). *Researching misinformation in ICTD*. Panel presented to the International Conference on Information & Communication Technologies and Development, Seattle.

Malhotra, P. (2022, May). *Misinformation on WhatsApp: Generational perceptions and correction considerations among young Indians* **(Top student-only paper, Mobile Communication Division)**. Paper presented at the 72nd Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Paris, France. (Mobile Communication Division)

Malhotra, P. (2022, May). *Toward conceptualizing Bounded Social Media Places*. Paper presented at the 72nd Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Paris, France. (Communication & Technology Division)

Chadwick, A., Vaccari, C., Hall, N., Seet, S., **Malhotra, P.**, Pearce, K. E., Tandoc, E., Thorson, K.,Battocchio, A., & Kliger-Vilenchik, N. (2022, May). Panel *Everyday misinformation and correction on private social media: Relationality, affordances, and emergent norms*. Paper presented to the International Communication Association Conference, Paris. (Interdivisional Division)

Malhotra, P. (2022, May). *A relationship-centered and culturally informed approach to studying misinformation on COVID-19*. Paper presented to International Communication Association Pre-Conference: What Comes After Disinformation Studies?, Science Po. Paris.

Malhotra, P, & Pearce, K. E. (2021, May). *Facing falsehoods: Strategies and channel affordances for polite misinformation correction*. Paper presented to the International Communication Association Conference, Denver, CO. [Virtual COVID-19] (Communication & Technology Division)

Malhotra, P., Scharp, K., & Thomas, L. (2021, November). *The meaning of misinformation and those who correct it: An extension of relational dialectics theory*. Paper presented at the 107th Annual National Communication Association Convention, Seattle, Washington. (Interpersonal Communication Division)

Malhotra, P. (2020, November). *Agency within contextual constraints: Mobile phone use among female live-out domestic workers in Delhi*. Virtual presentation at Mobile Studies Congress, University of Nottingham Ningbo China.

Malhotra, P. (2019, May). *Multi-sided interaction on mobile messaging applications: Unexplored themes and methodological concerns*. Paper presented at the 69th Annual

Conference of the International Communication Association, Washington, D.C. (Mobile Communication Division)

Jailanee, F., **Malhotra, P.**, & Ling, R. S. (2019, May). *R(e)-veiling the hijab: Social media, Islamic fashion, and religious identity in Singapore.* Paper presented at the 69th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Washington, D.C. (Mobile Communication Division)

Malhotra, P., Jailanee, F., & Kheng, R. (2018, May). *Smartphones and social dining.* Paper presented at the 68th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic. (Mobile Communication Division)

Panels Organized

2023   Keeping it Real: Contested Meanings of Authenticity on Social Media. Theme panel organized for 73rd Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Toronto, Canada.

2019   Mobile Communication Under the Radar: Assessing the Impact of Mobile Phone Use Among Women from Developing Nations. Panel Organized for 16th Annual International Communication Association Mobile Pre-Conference.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE
University of Michigan (Assistant Professor)
Computer-Mediated Communication
- 2023 Fall Semester

University of Washington
Social Effects of Technology and Social Media (Instructor of Record)
- 2022 Winter Quarter (hybrid)
- 2021 Summer Quarter (distance learning)
- 2020 Summer Quarter (distance learning)

Cultural Impact of Information Technology (Teaching Assistant)
- 2021 Fall Quarter (hybrid)
- 2021 Winter Quarter (distance learning)

Introduction to Communication (Teaching Assistant)
- 2022 Winter Quarter (hybrid)
- 2020 Fall Quarter (distance learning)
- 2019 Fall Quarter

Nanyang Technological University
Mobile Communication and Society (Teaching Assistant)
- 2018 Winter Semester

Communication, Technology, and Society (Teaching Assistant)
- 2017 Fall Semester

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE
University of Washington (2022-2023)

Graduate Research Assistant, NSF-funded Analysis and Response for Trust Tool Project (Dr. Amy X. Zhang & Dr. Franziska Roesener)
- Developing research-backed tips and templates for tool to help people respond to online misinformation
- Conducting and analyzing user interviews for tool
- Writing up user research findings to submit to academic conferences

Nanyang Technological University (2017-2018)
Graduate Research Assistant, Brand Relationship-Building Project (Dr. Augustine Pang)
- Constructing codebook for content analysis of brand websites and social media feeds
- Conducting content analysis of brand websites and social media feeds

SERVICE

Discipline
Journal manuscript reviewer, *New Media and Society*
Journal manuscript reviewer, *Mobile Media & Communication*
Journal manuscript reviewer, *International Journal of Communication*
Journal manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*
Journal manuscript reviewer, *Gender, Technology and Development*
Conference manuscript reviewer, International Communication Association
Conference manuscript reviewer, Broadcasting Education Association

Department
University of Washington
International Student Representative, Communication Graduate Student Association (2020-2023)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Graduate Research Fellow, Center for Journalism, Media and Democracy University of Washington (2021-2023)
Graduate Student Affiliate, Center for Information, Technology, and Public Life, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (2021-present)
Member of National Communication Association (2021-present)
Member of International Communication Association (2018-present)
Member of Association of Internet Researchers (2023-present)

NONACADEMIC WORK

Big Synergy Media Limited, India
Researcher and Social Media Associate (2015-2016)
- Research, English content writing, and creative development for TV and live Quiz shows
Researcher (2012)
- Research and English content writing for TV Quiz shows

NDTV Convergence, India
Sub-Editor (2013-2015)
- English content writing for mobile news services, including text, audio, and video