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Award-winning academic researching the role of digital media in military conflicts. Editor of *Digital War Journal*, lead organiser of [SICSS-Sydney](#) – the inaugural Summer Institute in Computational Social Science in Australia. Domain expert and media commentator on the Russia-Ukraine relations.

EDUCATION

- 2019 **Ph.D., Social Science** (interdisciplinary)
Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University (Syracuse, NY, USA)
Dissertation: **Battlefront Assemblages: Civic Participation in the Age of Mediatized Warfare**
(All-university Doctoral Prize; J. Stromer-Galley (chair), J. Orr, J. Hemsley, B. Semaan, B. Taylor)
- 2015 **Master of Public Administration, Fulbright Fellow**
Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University (Syracuse, NY, USA)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2019 - **Lecturer in Digital Cultures** (Level B, continuing), Department of Media and Communications, School of Literature, Art and Media, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, **University of Sydney** (Australia)
- 2019 Instructor (casual), Department of Sociology, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, **Syracuse University** (NY, USA)
- 2018 Visiting Scholar (Roscoe Martin Award), **Social Media Lab, Ryerson University** (Toronto, Canada)
- 2016-18 Research Associate, Center for Computational and Data Sciences, School of Information Studies, **Syracuse University** (NY, USA)
- 2015 Research Fellow, **Center for European Policy Analysis – CEPA** (Washington, DC, USA)
- 2014-15 Research Fellow, Moynihan Institute of Global Affairs, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, **Syracuse University** (NY, USA)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2022- **Information Warfare: Mapping the Digital Influence Ecosystem**
Funding: Sydney Research Accelerator (SOAR) prize (\$100,000).
- 2021- **Diasporic Humanitarianism in the Digital Age**
Funding: Brown Prize (\$20,000) and TASA – the Australian Sociological Association (\$1,000).
- 2021- **Emerging Online Safety Issues: Co-creating social media education with young people.**
Team members: Justine Humphry, Jonathon Hutchinson;
Funded through the eSafety Commissioner (\$120,000).
- 2020- **Social Media: A Data Science Laboratory**
Team members: Tristram Alexander, Eduardo Altmann, Monika Bednarek, Andrew Ross;
Funded through the Centre for Translational Data Science Theta-X Grand Challenge (\$50,000).

PROFESSIONAL/METHODS TRAINING

- 2021 Summer Institutes in Computational Social Science (SICSS – Hong Kong)
- 2018 Summer School in Computational Social Science
GESIS – Leibniz Institute for Social Sciences, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)
- 2018 Certificate in University Teaching
Future Professoriate Program (FPP), Syracuse University (Syracuse, NY, USA)
- 2017 Certificate of Advanced Studies in Data Science
School of Information Studies, Syracuse University (Syracuse, NY, USA)
- 2017 Certificate of Advanced Studies in Post-Conflict Reconstruction
Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism, Syracuse University (Syracuse, NY, USA)
- 2017 IQMR – Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research
Consortium for Qualitative Research Methods (CQRM), Syracuse University (Syracuse, NY)

- 2016 Exploratory data mining, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI, USA)
- 2016 Digital Methods Summer School, University of Amsterdam (Amsterdam, Netherlands)

PUBLICATIONS (PEER REVIEWED)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Boichak, O.** (2022) Camouflage aesthetics: militarisation, craftivism, and the in/visibility of resistance at scale. *Contemporary Voices: St Andrews Journal of International Relations*, 3(1), p. 1-13. <https://cvir.st-andrews.ac.uk/articles/abstract/1561/>
- Lokot, T. & **Boichak, O.** (2022) Translating Protest: Networked Diasporas and Transnational Mobilisation in Ukraine's Euromaidan Protests. *Partecipazione & Conflitto*, 15(1). <http://sibaese.unisalento.it/index.php/paco/article/view/25071>
- Bednarek, M., Ross, A. S., **Boichak, O.**, Doran, Y. J., Carr, G., Altmann, E. G., & Alexander, T. J. (2022). Winning the discursive struggle? The impact of a significant environmental crisis event on dominant climate discourses on Twitter. *Discourse, Context & Media*, 45. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dcm.2021.100564>
- Boichak, O.**, Kumar, P. (2021) Mapping the National Web: Spaces, Cultures, and Borders of Diasporic Mobilization in the Digital Age. *Global Networks*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/glob.12342>
- Boichak, O.**, Hemsley, J., Jackson, S., Tromble, R., Tanupabrungsun, S. (2021) Not the Bots You Are Looking For: Patterns and Effects of Orchestrated Interventions in the U.S. and German Elections. *International Journal of Communication*, 15(2021), 814-839. <https://ijoc.org/index.php/ijoc/article/view/14866>
- Stromer-Galley, J., Rossini, P., Kenski, K., McKernan, B., Clegg, B., Folkestad, J., Østerlund, C., Schooler, L., **Boichak, O.**, Canzonetta, J., Martey, R.M., Pavlich, C., Tsetsi, E. & McCracken, N. (2021) Flexible versus structured support for reasoning: enhancing analytical reasoning through a flexible analytic technique, *Intelligence and National Security*, 36(2), 279-298. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02684527.2020.1841466>
- Boichak, O.** & Jackson, S. (2020) Between National Identity and State Legitimacy: Mobilizing Digitally Networked Publics in Eastern Ukraine. *Media, War & Conflict*, 13(3), 258-279. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1750635219829161>
- Boichak, O.** (2019) Geopolitics of Reproduction: Investigating Technological Mediation of Maternity Tourism on the Russian Web. *Big Data & Society*, 6(2), 1-13. <https://doi.org/10.1177/2053951719868491>

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Boichak, O.** (2022) Mapping Cross-Platform Mobilisation: Geographies of Online Activism. In: *SAGE Research Methods: Doing Research Online*. SAGE Publishing. <https://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781529603934>
- Boichak, O.** (2021) Digital War: Mediatized Conflicts in Sociological Perspective. In D. Rohlinger & S. Sobieraj (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Sociology and Digital Media*. Oxford University Press. <http://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780197510636.013.31>
- Boichak, O.**, Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., & Tanupabrungsun, S. (2018). Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election. In G. Chowdhury, J. McLeod, V. Gillet, & P. Willett (Eds.), *Transforming Digital Worlds* (pp. 17-26). Springer International Publishing. http://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-78105-1_3

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- Boichak, O.** & Asmolov, G. (2021) Crowdfunding in remote conflicts: Bounding the hyperconnected battlefield. *AoIR Selected Papers of Internet Research*, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.5210/spir.v2021i0.12147>
- Lokot, T. & **Boichak, O.** (2020) Exploring Networked Identity and Transnational Mobilization in Ukraine's Euromaidan Protest. *AoIR Selected Papers of Internet Research*, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.5210/spir.v2020i0.11263>

- Boichak, O.** (2019) Mobilizing Diasporas: Understanding Transnational Relief Efforts in the Age of Social Media. *Proceedings of the 52 Annual Hawai'i International Conference on System Sciences*. <http://hdl.handle.net/10125/59716>
- Boichak, O.**, Canzonetta, J., Sitaula, N., McKernan, B., Taylor, S., Rossini, P., Clegg, B.A., Kenski, K., Martey, R.M., McCracken, N., Østerlund, C., Myers, R., Folkestad, J., & Stromer-Galley, J. (2019). Beyond the Medium: Rethinking Information Literacy through Crowdsourced Analysis. *Proceedings of the 52 Annual Hawai'i International Conference on System Sciences*, (HICSS-52). <http://hdl.handle.net/10125/59482>
- Xia, H., Østerlund C., McKernan, B., Folkestad, J., Rossini, P., **Boichak, O.**, Robinson, J., Kenski, K., Myers, R., Clegg, B.A., & Stromer-Galley, J. (2019). TRACE: A Stigmergic Crowdsourcing Platform for Intelligence Analysis. *Proceedings of the 52 Annual Hawai'i International Conference on System Sciences*, (HICSS-52). <http://hdl.handle.net/10125/59484>
- Boichak, O.** (2017). Battlefield Volunteers: Mapping and Deconstructing Civilian Resilience Networks in Ukraine. In *8th International Conference on Social Media and Society: Social Media for Good or Evil, #SMSociety 2017* (Vol. Part F129683). <https://doi.org/10.1145/3097286.3097289>
- Jackson, S., Zhang, F., **Boichak, O.**, Bryant, L., Li, Y., Hemsley, J., Stromer-Galley, J., Semaan, B., & McCracken, N. (2017). Identifying Topics in Social Media Messages: A Lexicon-Based Approach. In *8th International Conference on Social Media and Society: Social Media for Good or Evil, #SMSociety 2017* (Vol. Part F129683). Association for Computing Machinery. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3097286.3097298>
- Zhang, F., Tanupabrunsun, S., Hemsley, J., Robinson, J.L., Semaan, B., Bryant, L., Stromer-Galley, J., **Boichak, O.**, & Hegde, Y. (2017). Strategic Temporality on Social Media During the General Election of the 2016 U.S. Presidential Campaign. In *8th International Conference on Social Media and Society: Social Media for Good or Evil, #SMSociety 2017* (Vol. Part F129683). Association for Computing Machinery. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3097286.3097311>

POLICY WORK

- Hutchinson, J., Humphry, J., **Boichak, O.** (2021). Online Privacy Bill: Exposure Draft - Submission to the Attorney General's Department. <https://doi.org/10.25910/bqxd-jm41>

PUBLIC-FACING VENUES

- Boichak, O.** (2022) Why Ukrainians are ready to fight for their democracy. *The Conversation*. <https://theconversation.com/why-ukrainians-are-ready-to-fight-for-their-democracy-175649>
- Boichak, O.** (2020) Mitigating Diffused Security Risks in Australia's North: a Case for Digital Inclusion. *The Strategist*. Australian Strategic Policy Institute. <https://www.aspistrategist.org.au/mitigating-diffused-security-risks-in-australias-north-a-case-for-digital-inclusion/>
- Boichak, O.** (2013) #Euromaidan-2013: a civil society converged online. *School for Political Leaders of Eastern Partnership*. https://issuu.com/szkoaliderow/docs/partnerstwoschodnie_en

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Sydney, Department of Media and Communications, SLAM, FASS

- ARIN3620 Researching Digital Cultures (unit coordinator, S2 2022)
- ARIN6902 Internet Cultures & Governance (unit coordinator, S1 2020, S1 2021)
- ARIN3630 Digital Arts (unit coordinator and lecturer, S2 2020, S2 2021)
- ARIN3610 Technology & Culture (unit coordinator and lecturer, S1 2020)
- ARIN2610 Internet Transformations (lecturer, S2 2019)

Syracuse University, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs

- SOC.300 Internet & Society (unit coordinator and lecturer, Spring 2019)
- PAI.722 Quantitative Methods for Program Evaluation (teaching assistant, Spring 2016)
- TNGO Initiative Leadership Institute (program facilitator, Summer 2016)

Syracuse University, School of Information Studies

- IST.343 Data in Society (lecturer, Fall 2018)
- IST.719 Information Visualisation (lecturer, Fall 2017)

Syracuse University College, English Language Institute

- Fulbright Pre-Academic Orientation, (program facilitator, Summer 2017)

LANGUAGE AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

English (full working proficiency), **Ukrainian** (native), **Russian** (full working proficiency), **German**, (professional working proficiency), **French, Polish, Arabic** (limited working proficiency)

R, Gephi, Adobe Illustrator, wikis, MTurk, STATA, SPSS, Atlas TI.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- 2022 **Sydney Research Accelerator** (SOAR) Prize, the University of Sydney (\$100,000);
- 2021 **eSafety Commissioner Online Safety Grants Program** (\$120,000);
- 2021 **Higher Education Academy Fellow** (FHEA, Advance HE);
- 2021 The Australian Sociological Association (TASA) Career Disruption Grant (\$1,000);
- 2021 University of Sydney, **Brown Prize** (\$20,000);
- 2020 University of Sydney Centre for Translational Data Science **Theta-X Grand Challenge** ‘Understanding social media through data science’ – team members: Tristram Alexander, Eduardo Altmann, Monika Bednarek, Andrew Ross (\$50,000);
- 2020 University of Sydney, **Faculty Research Support Scheme**, Apps in Religion Project (\$5,000);
- 2020 Sydney Social Sciences and Humanities Advanced Research Centre (SSSHARC) – **Visiting Fellow Scheme** – co-applicant: Tetyana Lokot (\$10,000); Huddle Scheme (\$4,500)
- 2019 **Top Paper Award**, International Communication Association (ICA), Philosophy, Theory & Critique
- 2019 **All-University Doctoral Prize** in recognition of dissertation excellence, Syracuse University (USA)
- 2019 **HICSS Doctoral Fellow**, Hawai'i International Conference on System Sciences (Maui, HI, USA)
- 2018 **Roscoe Martin Dissertation Award**, Maxwell School, Syracuse University (NY, USA)
- 2017 European Symposium on Societal Challenges in Computational Social Science, the Alan Turing Institute (London, UK)
- 2017 Early Career Scholarship, Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR) (Tartu, Estonia)
- 2016 Travel Award, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research (Ann Arbor, MI, USA)
- 2015 **Graduate Public Service Fellowship**, BA Rudolph Foundation (Washington, DC, USA, \$6,500)
- 2014 **Fulbright Fellow**, Institute of International Education (Kyiv, Ukraine/New York, USA, \$95,000)
- 2014 National Youth Delegate of Ukraine to the United Nations (Kyiv, Ukraine/New York, USA)
- 2013 “Young Generation Will Change Ukraine” project funded by the B.Hawrylyshyn Foundation (\$5,000).

CONFERENCE PANELS AND PAPER PRESENTATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)

- 2022 **International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention** (Nashville, TN, USA)
Presenting co-author: Asmolov, G. & Boichak, O. *Crowdsourcing security: Governance and institutionalisation in crowd-conflict relationships* (paper);
- 2022 **Independence. Archive. Prognosis.** Ukraine in 1991-2021 and Beyond. A Conference of the Ukrainian Studies Association of Australia and New Zealand. University of Melbourne, VIC
Presenting co-author: Boichak, O., McKernan, B. *Volunteering and civic imaginaries in the Russian-Ukrainian war.*
- 2021 **Migrant Civic Practice in Times of Crisis.** Institute for Culture and Society, Western Sydney University. Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Homeland humanitarianism: exploring socially mediated participation in remote conflicts*
- 2021 **Recovery, Reconfiguration, and Repair:** Mobilising the Social Sciences and Humanities for a Post-Pandemic World. Alfred Deakin University. Presenting co-author: Humphry, J., Boichak, O., Hutchinson, J., Butt M. *Understanding disengagement from social media: a research agenda.*

- 2021 **Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference (#AoIR2021)**
Presenting co-author: Boichak, O., Asmolov, G. *Crowdfunding in remote conflicts: Bounding the hyperconnected battlefield.*
Organiser: Early Career Scholars Workshop.
- 2021 **American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting**
Presenting co-author: Boichak, O., McKernan, B. *“Those who craft the victory”: volunteering and ontopolitical imaginaries in wartime Ukraine;*
- 2021 **Corpus Linguistics International Conference 2021**
Non-presenting co-author: Bednarek, M., Alexander, T., Altmann, E., Boichak, O., Carr, G., Doran, Y., Ross A. *The impact of the 2019-2020 bushfires on dominant climate discourses on social media – A case study of Australian Twitter;*
- 2021 **Networks 2021: a Joint Conference of Sunbelt and NetSci**
Non-presenting co-author: Alexander, T., Liu, X., Bednarek, M., Boichak, O., Ross, A., Altmann, E. *The impact of external events on climate action networks on Twitter;*
- 2021 **Digital Influence Technology Workshop**, Defence Innovation Network (the University of Sydney)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Social Infrastructures: Mitigating Diffused Security Risks.*
- 2021 **Migrant Belongings:** Digital Practices and the Everyday international conference (Utrecht, Netherlands)
Organiser: *Patterns and practices of transnational involvement in homeland politics among the Ukrainian Diaspora* (panel), featuring Tanya Lokot (chair), Sofiya Voytiv, and Roman Horbyk.
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Diasporising humanitarianism: social media and the changing nature of diasporic involvement in homeland wars;*
- 2020 **Drone Cultures Virtual Symposium** (Sydney, Australia)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Drone Countercultures: Militant Craftivism against Macroscopic Surveillance;*
- 2020 **The Australian Sociological Association’s Virtual Conference** (TASA2020)
Organiser: *War from home(land)”: digital media and the participatory futures of armed conflicts in a post-pandemic world* (panel), featuring Michael Richardson, Gregory Asmolov, and Ayesha Hasan;
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Battlefront geographies: militarisms and fighting remote wars in the digital age* (paper);
- 2020 **Association of Internet Researchers Annual conference (#AoIR2020)**
Presenting author: Lokot, T. & Boichak, O. *Networked narratives and transnational mobilisation in Ukraine’s Euromaidan protests* (paper);
Organiser: Early Career Scholars Workshop.
- 2020 **70th Annual International Communication Association Conference** (Gold Coast, Australia)
Organiser: *Networked activism in hybrid conflicts: frames, narratives and logics of collective mobilisation in contemporary Ukraine* (panel) featuring Brian McKernan, Tanya Lokot, Gregory Asmolov, Roman Horbyk, Larissa Doroshenko;
Presenting author: Boichak, O. & McKernan, B. *“Those who craft the victory”: Narrating Ontopolitics within the Mundane* (paper);
- 2020 **Activism @ the Margins Conference: Stories of Resistance, Survival, and Social Change, CSAA – Cultural Studies Association of Australasia** (Melbourne, VIC, Australia)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Militant Craftivism: theorising nonviolent resistance beyond state- and capital-centred frameworks* (paper)
- 2019 **Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference (#AoIR2019)**, (Brisbane, QLD)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Networks of Resistance: Exploring the Materiality of Digital Activism in the Ukrainian Conflict* (paper)
Presenter: *Datafield self*, Data Experiences Panel, Data Futures AoIR Pre-Conference Symposium
- 2019 **114th Annual American Sociological Association (ASA) Meeting** (New York, NY, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Mapping Diasporic Discourses on Social Media* (paper)
- 2019 **69th Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference** (Washington, DC)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *From Algorithmic Citizenship to Birth Tourism: a Study of Communication Affordances and Choice on the Russian Web* (paper)
 Boichak, O. *Networks of Resistance: Exploring the Materiality of Digital Activism in the Ukrainian*

- Conflict* (paper, ICA Preconference, Organizing resistance beyond the boundaries of neoliberal capitalism)
- 2019 **Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN) World Convention** (Harriman Institute, Columbia University, New York, NY, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Which Factors Drive Diasporic Mobilization in the Digital Age? Lessons from the Ukrainian Communities* (paper)
- 2019 **Theorizing the Web** (Museum of the Moving Image, New York, NY, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O., Orr, J. *Justice Matters: Racializing Data Colonialism* (paper)
- 2019 **International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention** (Toronto, ON, Canada)
Presenting author: Boichak, O., Kumar P. *Battlefront Geographies: Frames and Traces of Diasporic Mobilization around the Military Conflict in Ukraine* (paper);
- 2019 **52nd Hawai'i International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS)**, Maui, HI)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Mobilizing Diasporas: Understanding Transnational Relief Efforts in the Age of Social Media* (paper);
Boichak, O., Canzonetta, J., Sitaula, N., McKernan, B., Taylor, S., Rossini, P., Clegg, B.A., Kenski, K., Martey, R.M., McCracken, N., Østerlund, C., Myers, R., Folkestad, J., Stromer-Galley, J. *Beyond the Medium: Rethinking Information Literacy through Crowdsourced Analysis* (paper);
Non-presenting author: Xia, H., Østerlund C., McKernan, B., Folkestad, J., Rossini, P., Boichak, O., Robinson, J., Kenski, K., Myers, R., Clegg, B.A., Stromer-Galley, J. *TRACE: A Stigmergic Crowdsourcing Platform for Intelligence Analysis* (paper).
- 2018 **Internet, Policy & Politics (IPP)** at the Oxford Internet Institute (Oxford, UK)
Non-presenting author: Boichak, O., Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., Tromble, R., Tanupabrungsun, S. *Bot Interventions: Identifying patterns of bot interference across election campaigns on Twitter* (paper);
Boichak, O., Gruzd, A. *Mobilizing diasporas: mapping transnational relief efforts in the age of social media* (paper).
- 2018 **American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting** (Philadelphia, PA, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Battlefront Assemblages: exploring media-warfare nexus in the digital age* (paper, CITAMS Preconference);
Boichak, O. *In Search of Citizenship: Affective Modalities of Birth Tourism on the Russian Web* (paper);
Boichak, O., Jackson S. *Collective identity and its boundaries: from 'cloud protesting' to state legitimacy* (paper).
- 2018 **Social Media and Society (#SMSociety2018)** (Copenhagen, Denmark)
Non-presenting author: Boichak, O., Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., Tromble, R., Tanupabrungsun, S. *Identifying patterns of bot interference across election campaigns on Twitter* (poster).
- 2018 **Theorizing the Web** (Museum of the Moving Image, New York City, NY, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Mediatizing War: Digital Media and the Battlefronts* (art-presentation)
- 2018 **International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention** (San Francisco, CA, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Birth Tourism and the National American Imageries on the Russian Web* (paper);
Boichak, O., Jackson, S. *'Mariupol Is Ukraine': Constructing Legitimacy Through Digitally-Networked Action* (paper).
- 2018 **iConference2018** (Sheffield, UK)
Non-presenting author: Boichak, O., Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., Tanupabrungsun, S. *Automated Diffusion? Bots and their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election* (paper).
- 2017 **First European Symposium on Societal Challenges in Computational Social Science** The Alan Turing Institute (London, UK)
Presenting author: Boichak, O., Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., Tanupabrungsun, S. *Not All Bots Are Created Equal: automated sociality and the spread of political information in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election* (paper).
- 2017 **Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference (#AoIR2017)**, (Tartu, Estonia)
Presenting author: Boichak, O., Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., Tanupabrungsun, S. *Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election* (paper).

- 2017 **European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)**, University of Oslo (Oslo, Norway)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Battlefront Volunteers: Mapping and Deconstructing Civilian Resilience Networks in Ukraine* (paper);
 Boichak, O., Jackson, S. 'Mariupol Is Ukraine': *Constructing Legitimacy Through Digitally-Networked Action* (paper).
- 2017 **Social Media and Society (#SMSociety2017)**, Ryerson University (Toronto, ON, Canada)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Battlefront Volunteers: Mapping and Deconstructing Civilian Resilience Networks in Ukraine* (paper);
 Boichak, O., Jackson, S., Hemsley, J., Tanupabrungsun, S. *Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election* (poster).
Non-presenting author: Jackson, S., Zhang, F., Boichak, O., Bryant, L., Li, Y., Hemsley, J., Stromer-Galley, J., Semaan, B., McCracken, N. *Identifying Topics in Social Media Messages: A Lexicon-Based Approach* (paper);
 Zhang, F., Tanupabrungsun, S., Hemsley, J., Robinson, J.L., Semaan, B., Bryant, L., Stromer-Galley, J., Boichak, O., Hegde, Y. *Strategic Temporality on Social Media During the General Election of the 2016 U.S. Presidential Campaign* (paper);
- 2017 **InfoSocial** at Northwestern University (Evanston, IL, USA)
Presenting author: Boichak, O. *Social Infrastructures for Civilian Resilience: Evidence from Ukraine* (paper).
- 2016 **Internet, Policy & Politics (IPP)** at the Oxford Internet Institute (Oxford, UK)
Presenting author: Boichak O. *Battlefronts of a Virtual War: Crowdfunding Platforms Sustaining the Ukrainian Army in a Hybrid War with Russia* (paper).

PUBLIC TALKS (INVITED)

- 2022 My War: Participatory Warfare in the Russian-Ukrainian war. **Australian Institute of International Affairs**;
- 2022 Women and Russia's War on Ukraine (roundtable). **Shevchenko Scientific Society** (NY, USA).
 Speakers: Olga Boichak, Christina Jarymowycz, Olena Nikolayenko, Jessica Zychowicz.
- 2022 The Russo-Ukrainian Conflict and the Future of Warfare. **2022 Global Forum** organised by Olga Boichak and James Der Derian, **Centre for International Security Studies** (Speakers: Olga Boichak, Bryce Wilson, William Merrin, Anthony Szabo);
- 2022 Objects of violence or sites of resistance? Understanding grassroots mobilisation in wartime Ukraine. **University of Canterbury** (New Zealand);
- 2022 Beyond Borderland: 30 years of Ukrainian sovereignty. Digital Transformations expert panel, **Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute**, Harvard University.
- 2021 What makes an online community? (lightning talk) **2021 Social Media Workshop**, the University of Sydney.
- 2021 Human Geopolitics 2.0: Participatory Cultures in Military Conflicts. **The ARC Training Centre in Data Analytics for Resources and Environments (DARE)**, the University of Sydney;
- 2020 A Data Coup d'Etat? COVID, Geopolitics & Disinformation. **Sixth 2020 Global Forum** organised by the **Centre for International Security Studies** (Speakers: James Der Derian, Ron Deibert & Olga Boichak);
- 2020 Mapping the National Web: Spaces and cultures of diasporic mobilisation in the digital age. **Media @ Sydney** Research Seminar Series at the University of Sydney (Australia);
- 2019 'Battlefront Assemblages: Exploring the War-Media Nexus in the Ongoing Ukrainian Conflict' – **Program for the Advancement of Research on Conflict and Collaboration (PARCC)**, Syracuse University (USA)
- 2018 'Mobilizing diasporas: mapping transnational relief efforts in the age of social media', **Social Media Lab**, Ryerson University (Toronto, ON, Canada)
- 2018 'Not all bots are created equal: exploring automated interventions in online political discourse', **Social Media Lab**, Ryerson University (Toronto, ON, Canada)
- 2017 'Digital Battlefronts: from Facebook into the war zone', **City University London** (London, UK)

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- March 10, 2022 – spoke with **ABC News's** Bridget Fitzgerald: "[New sanctions target Russian propaganda in Australia](#)".
- March 9, 2022 – quoted in **LA Times**, "[I want to donate to the Ukrainian military](#)": [Crowdfunding becomes part of Ukraine's arsenal](#)".
- March 8, 2022 – spoke with **BBC News** (live) on witnessing the Russian-Ukrainian war on social media.
- March 4, 2022 – spoke with **ABC News's** Eleanor Whitehead: "['Nuclear terror' in Ukraine as fire erupts at power plant](#)".
- March 3, 2022 – appeared on **ABC News's Qanda** (live) as a Russian-Ukrainian war expert.
- March 2, 2022 – quoted in **ABC News** article: "[A 64-kilometre-long Russian military convoy is approaching Kyiv. Here's what we know so far](#)".
- March 2, 2022 – appeared on **Bloomberg TV's** Daybreak Australia (live): "[The University of Sydney Olga Boichak on Russia-Ukraine War](#)".
- March 1, 2022 – quoted in **Daily Telegraph**: "[Next Ukraine city in Russia's sight](#)".
- February 28, 2022 – appeared on **ABC News Breakfast** (live), "Ukraine Claims Victory in Kharkiv after Russian advance".
- February 28, 2022 – interviewed by **ABC News's** Patricia Karvelas: "[From TV President to national hero: Ukraine's President Zelensky](#)".
- February 25, 2022 – quoted in **Daily Telegraph**: "Russian forces face more than bullets as proud citizens stand tall".
- February 22, 2022 – interviewed by **ABC News**: "[Scholar says 'Russia is trying to deny Ukraine's nationhood'](#)".
- February 18, 2022 – Spoke with **ABC News's** Rachel Mealey: "[Shelling intensifies as Russian invasion looks imminent](#)".
- February 17, 2022 – interviewed by **SBS News**, "[Are backstage diplomatic efforts averting conflict between Ukraine and Russia?](#)" (by Eden Gillespie).
- February 15, 2022 – spoke with **ABC News Radio Drive Show's** Paul Turton (live) on civilian resilience in Ukraine and the economic implications of the current buildup (02:34-02:46).
- February 15, 2022 – interviewed on **Bloomberg TV's Daybreak Australia** (live) discussing the Ukraine Crisis developments and their potential implications on global food security.
- February 14, 2022 – interviewed by **ABC News** for The World Today, "[A steady march towards the brink of war in Ukraine](#)".
- February 14, 2022 – appeared on **ABC News Breakfast** discussing domestic developments surrounding the Ukraine Crisis and potential global responses to the escalation.
- February 9, 2022 – spoke with **ABC News Radio's Drive Show** (live) with Anna Moulder on the possible Ukraine conflict scenarios and emergency preparedness in the country (1:08-1:25).
- February 8, 2022 – appeared in **2SER 107.3 The Wire Show** (live) with Nelson Scott on the consequences of the Ukraine Crisis and why it is in Australia's national interest to support young democracies (13:10-18:50).
- February 2, 2022 – interviewed by **SBS Ukrainian** "[on digital wars, media literacy, diasporas, and more](#)" (in Ukrainian)
- January 25, 2022 – appeared on **ABC Evening News** (live) with Karina Carvalho, quoted in **ABC news**, the **Daily Telegraph**, and the **Herald Sun** on the escalation of the Russia-Ukraine conflict.
- January 25, 2022 – interviewed by **ABC News Radio's** Thomas Oriti (live): [Federal Government Urges Australians in Ukraine to Leave Now](#)
- January 24, 2022 – appeared in **Bloomberg TV's** Daybreak Australia (live): [The University of Sydney's Boichak on U.S.-Russia Geopolitics](#)
- March 1, 2021 – appeared in **2SER 107.3 The Daily Show** (live) with Jarred Cross, presenting latest research on bots and computational propaganda.
- February 17, 2021 – research featured in the **National Tribune: Can bots influence elections with 'megaphone effect'?**

January 13, 2021 – quoted in **The Sydney Morning Herald** ‘Explainer: Technology & democracy’: ‘Wild West’: Who regulates social media and what’s Parler? (by Sherryn Groch)

January 7, 2021 – **ABC NewsRadio** ‘Twitter locks U.S. President Donald Trump’s social media account’

GUEST LECTURES

- 2021 Battlefront Assemblages: exploring media-warfare nexus in the digital age. SPS5008 Media, War & Security; **University of Glasgow** (UK);
- 2021 Objects of violence or sites of resistance? Building and dismantling state ideologies in wartime Ukraine. WMGST203 Women & War: Feminism, Militarism, Nationalism; **Hamilton College** (USA);
- 2020 Big data epistemologies: using computational approaches to study human communication at scale. Research Methods Seminar; Department of Media and Communications, **University of Sydney** (Australia);
- 2019 Privacy in the age of algorithms. IST343 Data in Society, School of Information Studies, **Syracuse University**. (USA);
- 2018 Social media data in political campaigning – DS8006 Social Media Analytics; Ted Rogers School of Management, **Ryerson University** (Toronto, ON, Canada)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR), member (since 2016)
- International Studies Association (ISA), member (since 2017)
- American Sociological Association (since 2018)
- International Communication Association (ICA), member (since 2019)
- Centre for International Security Studies, The University of Sydney (since 2020)
- The Australian Sociological Association (TASA), member (since 2020)
- Ukraine Democracy Initiative (UDI), associate (since 2021)

SELECTED SERVICE ROLES

- SICSS-Sydney (Summer Institute in Computational Social Science) – lead organiser (2022)
- Digital Cultures Research Workshop – convener (since 2021)
- Digital War Journal*, Springer – editor (since 2020)
- Dalyell Scholars stream, The University of Sydney – Faculty Mentor (2020)
- Online by Our Design Initiative, SLAM catalyst (2020)
- Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference, ECR Workshop organiser (2020, 2021)
- Ukrainian Club of Syracuse University, President (2017-2019), Vice President (2015-17)
- BA Rudolph Foundation, Chair of Graduate Public Service Application Review Committee (2016-18)
- THATCampCNY, co-organiser and presenter – network visualization workshop (Syracuse, NY, 2017)