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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. (2019) Communication Studies
Moody College of Communication
The University of Texas at Austin
- Dissertation (Defended July 2019):
Networked Silence: Political Dissent in a Digital Era
Advisor: Dr. Natalie (Talia) Jomini Stroud
Committee Members: Dr. Roderick Hart, Dr. Sharon Jarvis,
Dr. Wenhong Chen
- M. Ed. (2015) Simmons School of Education and Human Development
Southern Methodist University (*Distinction*)
- B. A. (2013) Government
College of Liberal Arts
The University of Texas at Austin (*High Honors*)
- B. S. (2013) Communication Studies, Political Communication,
Moody College of Communication
The University of Texas at Austin (*High Honors*)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2020 – Present Assistant Professor
Department of Communication
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 2021-2022 Faculty Affiliate
Center for Information, Technology, and Public Life
University of North Carolina at Chapel-Hill
- 2019 – 2020 Postdoctoral Fellow
Program on Democracy and the Internet

Cyber Policy Center
Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society
Stanford University

- 2015 – 2019 Graduate Research Associate
The Center for Media Engagement (formerly the Engaging News Project)
Moody College of Communication, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2017 – 2018 Teaching Assistant
Moody College of Communication
- 2016 – 2017 Community Development Chair
Communication Studies Graduate Council
Communication Studies Department, The University of Texas at Austin

RESEARCH

Book (1)

Van Duyn, E. (2021). *Democracy lives in darkness: How and why people keep their politics a secret*. Oxford University Press.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles (8)

Collier, J., & **Van Duyn, E.** (in press). Fake news by any other name: The effects of phrases for false content on public perceptions of news media. *Journal of Applied Communication Research*.

Peacock, C., & **Van Duyn, E.** (in press). Monitoring and correcting: Why women read and men comment online. *Information, Communication, & Society*.

Van Duyn, E., & Muddiman, A. (2022). Features, community, and perceptions of incivility across 20 news sites. *Journalism*, 23(1), 134-152.

Van Duyn, E., Peacock, C., & Stroud, N. J. (2021). The gender gap in online news comment sections. *Social Science Computer Review*, 39(2), 181-196.

Van Duyn, E. (2020). Mainstream marginalization: Secret political organizing and the role of social media. *Social Media + Society*, 6(4).

Stroud, N. J., & **Van Duyn, E.** (2020). Assessing the external validity of using news websites as experimental stimuli. *Communication Methods and Measures*, 14(3), 212-218.

Van Duyn, E., & Collier, J. (2019). Priming and fake news: The effects of elite discourse on evaluations of news media. *Mass Communication and Society*, 22(1), 29-48.

Van Duyn, E. (2018). Hidden democracy: Political dissent in rural America. *Journal of Communication*, 68(5), 965-987.

Under Review (2)

Van Duyn, E., Jennings, J., & Stroud, N. J. (in progress). Journalist identity and selective exposure: The effects of racial/ethnic diversity in news staff. *Mass Communication and Society*.

Stroud, N. J. & **Van Duyn, E.** Curbing the decline of local news by building audience relationships. *Journal of Communication*.

In Progress (7)

Van Duyn, E., & Coles, S. (in progress). *Cross-cutting identities: The consequences of partisan identity ownership for political communication.*

Van Duyn, E., & Pool, K. (in progress). *Cross-cutting families: How parent political disagreement shapes family communication and socialization.*

Van Duyn, E., & Muddiman, A. (in progress). *Politics is personal: Self-disclosure about politics and COVID-19 on Facebook.*

Van Duyn, E., Raynal, I., & Shen, S. (in progress). *Platforms and politics: Party communication and infrastructure in Illinois.*

Van Duyn, E., & Eddy, K. A. (in progress). *Navigating political and moral identity gaps in cross-cutting romantic relationships.*

Van Duyn, E. (in progress). *Politics and partnerships: Navigating external and internal conflict in cross-cutting romantic relationships.*

Van Duyn, E., & Collier, J. (in progress). *The indifferent citizen: Appraisals of indifference in a deliberative context.*

Grant-Funded White Papers (5)

Van Duyn, E., Jennings, J., & Stroud, N. J. (2018). *Chicago news landscape.* White paper. <https://mediaengagement.org/research/chicago-news-landscape/>

Stroud, N. J., **Van Duyn, E.,** Alizor, A., & Lang, C. (2017). *Website redesign.* White paper. <https://mediaengagement.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Engaging-News-Project-Website-Redesign.pdf>

Stroud, N. J., **Van Duyn, E.,** Alizor, A., Alibhai, A., & Lang, C. (2017). *Comment section survey across 20 news sites.* White paper. <https://mediaengagement.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Comment-Section-Survey-Across-20-News-Sites.pdf>

Stroud, N. J., Alizor, A., Curry, A., **Van Duyn, E.**, McGregor, S., Scacco, J. M., & Steiner, K. (2016). *News tools workshop report*. White paper.

https://engagingnewsproject.org/enp_prod/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/News-Tools-Workshop-Report.pdf

Stroud, N. J., **Van Duyn, E.**, & Peacock, C. (2016). *Survey of commenters and comment readers*. White paper. <https://mediaengagement.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/ENP-News-Commenters-and-Comment-Readers1.pdf>

Refereed Conference Papers (20)

Van Duyn, E., & Coles, S. (2022). *Cross-cutting identities: The consequences of partisan identity ownership for political communication*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference.

Van Duyn, E., & Muddiman, A. (2022). *Politics is personal: Self-disclosure about politics and COVID-19 on Facebook*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division.

Van Duyn, E., Shen, S., Zhang, M., Raynal, I., & O'Brien, C. (2021). *Platforms and politics: Digital communication infrastructure in rural Illinois*. Paper presented at the National Communication Association, Political Communication Division.

Van Duyn, E., & Muddiman, A. (2021). *Politics is personal: Self-disclosure about politics and COVID-19 on Facebook*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference.

Peacock, C., & **Van Duyn, E.** (2021). *Monitoring and correcting: Why women read and men comment online*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division.

Van Duyn, E. (2020). *Politics and partnerships: Navigating political conflict in cross-cutting romantic relationships*. Paper presented at the National Communication Association, Political Communication Division Virtual Conference.

Top Overall Paper

Van Duyn, E. (2020). *Mainstream marginalization: Secret political organizing in the digital space*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division Virtual Conference.

Collier, J., & **Van Duyn, E.** (2020). *A different kind of backfire: Effects of labeling false content on perceptions of news*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division Virtual Conference.

Van Duyn, E. (2019). *Poorly-sorted partisans: Secret political expression and organizing in the U.S. and Texas*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division, Washington D.C.

Collier, J., & **Van Duyn, E.** (2019). *A different kind of backfire: Effects of labeling false content on perceptions of news*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference, Washington D.C.

Van Duyn, E., Peacock, C., & Stroud, N. J. (2019). *The gender gap in online news comment sections*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division, Washington D.C.

Van Duyn, E., & Collier, J. (2019). *Incivility and indifference: Online deliberation and norms of opinion formation*. Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association, Media and Politics Division, Austin, TX.

Van Duyn, E., & Muddiman, A. (2018). *Features, community, and perceptions of incivility*. Paper presented at the National Communication Association, Mass Communication Division, Salt Lake City, UT.

Van Duyn, E. (2018). *Pantsuit Nation and secret online organizing*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication and Information, Technology and Politics Divisions, Boston, MA.

Van Duyn, E., & Collier, J. (2018). *The indifferent citizen: Appraisals of indifference in a deliberative context*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference, Boston, MA.

Van Duyn, E. (2018). *Hidden voices of citizenship: The politics of dissent in rural Texas*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division, Prague, Czech Republic.

Top Student Paper

Van Duyn, E., Jennings, J., & Stroud, N. J. (2018). *The effects of geographic and racial representation in the news*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division, Prague, Czech Republic.

Stroud, N. J., & **Van Duyn, E.** (2017, November). *Relative opinion climates, anonymity, and commenting on news*. Paper presented at the National Communication Association, Political Communication Division, Dallas, TX.

Van Duyn, E. (2017, August). *Hidden politics: Social media and the spiral of silence*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference, San Francisco, CA.

Van Duyn, E., & Collier, J. (2017, August). *Priming and fake news: The effect of elite discourse on evaluations of news media*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference, San Francisco, CA.

Van Duyn, E. (2017, May). Extending the spiral of silence: Feedback effects on opinion expression. Poster presented at the American Association for Public Opinion Research, New Orleans, LA.

Best Student Poster

Stroud, N. J., **Van Duyn, E.**, Peacock, C. (2016, August). *Computer silence: Gender differences in online comment sections*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Political Communication Preconference, Philadelphia, PA.

Invited Presentations (24)

Van Duyn, E. (2022, April 1). *Democracy Lives in Darkness: How and Why People Keep Their Politics a Secret*. Invited book talk given to Stanford PACS Book Festival; Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA.

Van Duyn, E. (2022, February 28). Invited presentation given to Dr. Cynthia Peacock's political communication graduate seminar, University of Alabama (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2022, February 17). Invited presentation given to Dr. Jeff Treem's qualitative research methods graduate seminar, The University of Texas at Austin (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2022, February 9). *Democracy Lives in Darkness: How and Why People Keep Their Politics a Secret*. Invited book talk given to the Secrecy, Power, and Ignorance Research Network (SPIN); University of Bath, University of Bristol, Cardiff University, University of Exeter (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2022, January 6). *Democracy in the Dark: How Our Assumptions Have Blinded Us and How to Find the Light Again*. Keynote presentation at "The Capitol Coup One Year Later: How Research Can Assess and Counter Threats to Democracy," Hosted by the Institute for Data, Democracy, and Politics, George Washington University and the Center for Technology, Information, and Public Life, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2021, October 20). Invited presentation given to Dr. Jeffery Mondak's Political Behavior Class, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL.

Van Duyn, E. (2021, October 18). Invited presentation given to Dr. Shannon McGregor's survey methods graduate seminar, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2021, March 26). Presentation given to Center for Information, Technology and Public Life, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2021, March 25). Presentation given to the Office of the Provost Academic Leadership Seminar Series, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (virtual).

Van Duyn E. (2021, February 24). Presentation given to Dr. Jesse Holcomb's audience research graduate seminar, Calvin University (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2021, February 18). Presentation given to Dr. Harsh Taneja's doctoral pro-seminar II, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2021, February 8). Politics and partnerships: Political and media conflict in cross-cutting relationships. Presentation given to the Department of Political Science Student Faculty Seminar, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2021, February 8). Presentation given to Dr. Jeff Treem's qualitative research methods graduate seminar, The University of Texas at Austin, (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2020, November 19). Hidden democracy: political dissent in rural America. Presentation given to Dr. Benjamin Toff's graduate seminar, University of Minnesota (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2019, March 28). Hidden democracy: political dissent in rural America. Presentation given to Dr. Josh Scacco's undergraduate public opinion class, University of South Florida (virtual).

Van Duyn, E. (2019, February 25). Hidden democracy: political dissent in rural America. Presentation given to Dr. Daniel Kreiss's qualitative methods course, University of North Carolina (virtual).

Van Duyn, E., & Collier, J. (2018, October 22). Don't call it fake news: News literacy and public discourse. Presentation given to Dr. Stephen Reese's undergraduate signature course, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin TX.

Van Duyn, E. (2018, October 8). Don't call it fake news: Do's and don'ts for educating critical consumers. Presentation given to the Liberal Arts and Science Academy, Austin, TX.

Van Duyn, E., & Curry, A. (2018, September 13). J-School Supplemental: Statistics and Research Methods. Presentation given to the Online News Association, Austin, TX.

Van Duyn, E. (2018, April 13). Website design that engages. Presentation given to the New York Press Association, Albany, NY.

Van Duyn, E. (2018, February 23). Researching communication. Presentation given to the Communication Graduate Council, Austin, TX.

Van Duyn, E. (2018, January 18). Chicago news landscape. Presentation given to The Public Newsroom at City Bureau, Chicago, IL.

Van Duyn, E. (2017, December 5). What we've learned about news engagement. Presentation given to the Agora Journalism Workshop, San Antonio, TX.

Van Duyn, E. (2017, September 28). Engaging News Project: Making news more democratically beneficial and commercially viable. Presentation given to the Community Impact Newspaper, Pflugerville, TX.

Media Appearances (24)

“Closet civics” (2022, September 7). *Democracy in Danger Podcast*, University of Virginia Media Lab. <https://medialab.virginia.edu/closet-civics>

“Why do some keep their political beliefs hidden?” (2022, March 3). *WILL Radio*. <https://will.illinois.edu/21stshow/story/why-do-some-keep-their-political-beliefs-hidden>

“Rumble uses GOP megadonor Ken Griffin’s financial backing to spread misinformation on vaccines, elections” (2022, January 12). *WCIA News*. <https://www.wcia.com/illinois-capitol-news/rumble-uses-gop-megadonor-ken-griffins-financial-backing-to-spread-misinformation-on-vaccines-elections/>

“Democracy Lives in Darkness review: How to take politics off the holiday dinner table” (2021, December 25). *The Guardian*. <https://www.theguardian.com/books/2021/dec/24/democracy-lives-in-darkness-review-politics-holiday-dinner-table>

“UI: Keeping politics secret” (2021, October 18). *WTAX Radio*. <https://wtax.com/news/101101-ui-author-keeping-politics-secret/>

“You anon: Reconsidering pseudonymity and what it means to “be yourself” online” (2021, August 1). *The New York Times*. <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/07/31/style/anonymity-pseudonymity-online-identity.html>

“Trump’s presidency is over. So are many relationships” (2021, March 30). *The Atlantic*. <https://www.theatlantic.com/family/archive/2021/03/trump-friend-family-relationships/618457/>

“Public opinion challenges election forecasters” (2020, November 16). *The Daily Illini*. <https://dailyillini.com/features/2020/11/16/public-opinion-challenges-election-forecasters/>

“Did the presidential debates matter?” (2020, October 26). *College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign*. <https://las.illinois.edu/news/2020-10-26/did-presidential-debates-matter>

“The cable TV quarantine fight” (2020, April 17). *The New York Times*. <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/17/us/politics/fox-news-msnbc-coronavirus.html>

“Secret groups of Democratic women are organizing deep in Republican territory” (2018, November 26). *The Washington Post*. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey->

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“Democratic women are secretly organizing in deep red states” (2018, November 26). *Jezebel*. <https://theslot.jezebel.com/democratic-women-are-secretly-organizing-in-deep-red-st-1830653612>

“Can a Democrat ever win the hearts of rural Texans?” (2018, November 11). *Dallas Morning News*. <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2018/11/11/can-democrat-ever-win-hearts-rural-texans>

“The women of Texas’s secret resistance” (2018, November 3). *The New Yorker Radio, WNYC Studios*. <https://www.wnycstudios.org/story/women-texas-secret-resistance>

“Op-Ed: There exists in Texas and elsewhere a hidden democracy” (2018, October 26). *San Antonio Express News*. <https://www.mysanantonio.com/opinion/commentary/article/There-exists-in-Texas-and-elsewhere-a-hidden-13340213.php>

“The women of Texas’s secret resistance” (2018, October 25). *HuffPost*. https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/the-women-of-texas-secret-resistance_us_5bd19feee4b04d1f9a5582e3

“The women of Texas’s secret resistance” (2018, October 25). *United States of Anxiety, WNYC Studios*. <https://www.wnycstudios.org/story/episode-7-women-texas>

“Reporters: Stop calling everything ‘fake news’” (2018, August 29). *Poynter*. <https://www.poynter.org/news/reporters-stop-calling-everything-fake-news>

“Real news about fake news” (2018, August 24). *NiemanLab*. http://www.niemanlab.org/2018/08/is-there-really-data-that-heavy-facebook-use-caused-erm-is-correlated-with-erm-is-linked-to-real-life-hate-crimes/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+NiemanJournalismLab+%28Nieman+Journalism+Lab%29

“The interpreter” (2018, August 23). *The New York Times*. https://static.nytimes.com/email-content/INT_sample.html?contentId=INT&emc=confirmregi_INT_20180823&eventName=readlatestnewsletter&module=newsletterconfirmationemail&nl=INT&nid=59858661_INT_20180823®ion=copy&version=regi

“Here's how an anti-refugee hoax went viral across Europe” (2018, August 23). *Poynter*. <https://www.poynter.org/news/heres-how-anti-refugee-hoax-went-viral-across-europe>

“Study: Chicago South, West sides feel misrepresented in media” (2018, February 8). *The Columbia Chronicle*. http://www.columbiachronicle.com/metro/article_a66156bc-087f-11e8-85e6-8b011502811b.html

“Boystown’s future, Chicago News Landscape, WLLU-LP in Decatur, IL” (2018, January 28). *WGN Radio*. <http://wgnradio.com/2018/01/28/otl-589-boystowns-future-chicago-news-landscape-wllu-lp-in-decatur-il/>

“#MetricShift chat: Homepage metrics with the Engaging News Project.” (2017, August 4). *MediaShift*. <http://mediashift.org/2017/08/metricshift-chat-homepage-metrics-engaging-news-project/>

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2020 *Top Paper Award*, National Communication Association, Political Communication Division
- 2020 *Lynda Lee Kaid Outstanding Dissertation Award*, National Communication Association, Political Communication Division
- 2020 *Article of The Year*, *Mass Communication and Society*, AEJMC, Mass Communication and Society Division
- 2019 *Best Student Paper Award*, American Political Science Association, Information Technology, and Politics Division
- 2019 *Travel Grant*, American Political Science Association
- 2019 *Best Graduate Research Award*, Communication Studies Graduate Council
- 2018 *Top Student Paper*, International Communication Association, Political Communication Division
- 2018 *Travel Grant*, American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division
- 2018 *Patricia Witherspoon Research Award*, The Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life, Moody College of Communication
- 2018 *Travel Grant*, American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division
- 2017 *Travel Grant*, American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division
- 2017 *Research Grant*, Communication Studies Graduate Council
- 2017 *Best Student Poster*, American Association for Public Opinion Research
- 2016 *Outstanding First-Year Ph.D. Student*, Department of Communication Studies, University of Texas at Austin
- 2013 *William Jennings Bryan Prize for Best Honors Thesis*, The University of Texas at Austin

GRANT FUNDING

Accepted Grants

2021 Research Cluster Grant, Co-PI: Usher, N., Bigaman-Galimore, C., Coles, S., Fisher, J., Gunter, C., Maslowska, E., & Van Duyn, E. Humanities Research Institute. \$2,500

2019 Travel Grant, PI: Van Duyn, E. American Political Science Association. \$200

2018 Research Grant. PI: Van Duyn, E. The Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life Patricia Witherspoon Research Award. \$2,000

2018 Research Grant, PI: Van Duyn, E. The Center for Media Engagement. \$500

2018 Travel Grant. PI: Van Duyn, E. American Political Science Association. \$1,000

2018 Travel Grant. PI: Van Duyn, E. International Communication Association. \$200

2017 Travel Grant. PI: Van Duyn, E. American Political Science Association. \$800

2017 Research Grant, PI: Van Duyn, E. The Center for Media Engagement. \$500

Grant Proposals Not Accepted

2018. Research Grant. Co-PI: Van Duyn, E., Tenenboim, O., Collier, J., Victoria-Mas, M., & Lacasa, I. Tow Center for Digital Journalism.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

2022	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Communication Theory</i>
2022	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Political Communication</i>
2022	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Politics & Gender</i>
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Journal of Communication</i>
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication</i>
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Political Communication</i>
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Media Psychology</i>
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Social Science Research</i>
2021	Co-Chair, <i>Communication Norms in a (Post-)Democratic Society Research Learning Community</i> , Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2021	Committee Member, Ad-Hoc Research Community Committee, Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Mass Communication and Society</i>
2021	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>International Journal of Press/Politics</i>
2020	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Communication Monographs</i>
2020	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly</i>
2020	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Information Systems Journal</i>
2020	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Social Science Computer Review</i>
2020	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>International Relations</i>
2020	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Mass Communication and Society</i>
2019	Committee Chair, Best Student Paper Award, American Political Science Association, Information Technology and Politics Division
2019	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Mass Communication and Society</i>
2019	Co-Coordinator for Networking Happy Hour, American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division

- 2019 Manuscript Reviewer, *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*
- 2018 Manuscript Reviewer, *Political Communication*
- 2018 Manuscript Reviewer, *International Journal of Communication*
- 2018 Manuscript Reviewer, International Communication Association, Political Communication Division
- 2018 Co-Coordinator for Networking Happy Hour, American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division
- 2018 Manuscript Reviewer, *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*
- 2018 Manuscript Reviewer, National Communication Association, Political Communication Division
- 2017 Manuscript Reviewer, International Communication Association, Mass Communication Division
- 2017 Co-Coordinator for Networking Happy Hour, American Political Science Association, Political Communication Division
- 2016 Manuscript Reviewer, *Digital Journalism*