

Fachbereich 9 - Medienstudiengänge

Department 9 - Media Courses

Kommentar zur Lehrveranstaltung im SoSe 2021

Description of seminars

Veranstalter*in: Kerstin Radde-Antweiler

Lecturer:

Titel (dt.):

Titel (engl.): Conspiracy Theories in Times of Deep Mediatization

Beschreibung:

Description:

On January 6, 2021, the United States Capitol was stormed in an attempt to overturn Donald Trump's defeat in the 2020 presidential election. Many of his followers were also supporters of QAnon – a group which became famous during the last years with accusations against so so-called elite because of Satanism, Pizzagate, G5 or organized child abuse to obtain the life-extending chemical called adrenochrome. However, what exactly are conspiracy theories? Are they theories, myths, or narratives? What is the relation between them and fake news? Furthermore, are digital media responsible for making them so popular?

In the seminar we will first discuss existing concepts of defining and problematizing this phenomena. In a second step we will exemplarily read the newest studies. In a last step, the students are invited to conduct their own little research studies (the so-called Lehrforschung).

Literatur:

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Will be announced during the seminar.