

Fachbereich 9 - Medienstudiengänge

Department 9 - Media Courses

Kommentar zur Lehrveranstaltung im SoSe 2024

Description of seminars

Veranstalter*in: Dr Paloma Viejo Otero

Lecturer:

Titel (dt.):

Titel (engl.): Governing Hate: Hate Speech and Social Media Platforms (09-60-KMW7-4)

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angeben)*

Beschreibung:

This module delves into the relationship between social media and hate speech. It is divided into three sections. Section one will examine the notion of hate speech and hate speech regulation from a historical and sociological perspective. Section two will look at social media platforms' moderation, and section three will consist of a series of practical workshops. These workshops will explore our understanding of the conditions that contribute to the proliferation of hateful content on platforms, as well as techniques developed to counter its appearance, volume, and effects.

Objectives: By the end of the module, the student will:

- Understand what hate speech is and what hate speech regulation entails.
- Be capable of recognising policies and strategies that platforms implement to govern hateful content.
- Critically understand and analyse the governing techniques and practices platforms use in the governance of hateful content.

Calendar (Subject to Changes)

Phase 1

April 8: Introduction

April 15: What is hate? What is hate speech?

April 22: Approaches to understand hate speech regulation.

Phase 2

April 29: Far right Activitiy online (Special Guest Mark Malone)

May 6: Platform Governance. What is platform governance? May 13: Understanding Alt-Tech Platforms' and the May 20: Understanding Mainstream Platfrom Governance of Hate Speech

May 27: Hate Speech and the Digital Services Act (Lecture: Daria Dargacheva)

June 3: Hate Speech and Misinformation (Lecture: Daria Dargacheva)

Phase 3

June 10: Workshop 1 - Platform Identities, Temporalities, and Circulation

June 17: Workshop 2 -Platform Identities, Temporalities, and Circulation (Part II)

June 24: Workshop 3 - Platform Governance from a Social Justice Perspective (With Erika Irusta, CEO of Casa Liken)

July 1: Presentation and Term Paper.

This module is conducted entirely in English and combines theory, class workshops, external seminars, and practices.

Please pay attention to the absence rules in the module due to its specific practice orientation, the building up of knowledge, and limited capacity.

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