

# Adina Gitomer

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network science, communication, computational social science, youth and social media, digital activism

## education

SEPT. 2020 - PRESENT

**Northeastern University | Boston, MA**  
Ph.D. in Network Science  
Advisor: Brooke Foucault Welles

SEPT. 2016 - MAY 2020

**Wesleyan University | Middletown, CT**  
Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science  
Certificate in Social, Cultural, and Critical Theory  
GPA: 4.03

## publications

PEER-REVIEWED  
ARTICLES

**Youth activism and (de)personalized remix on TikTok.** Adina Gitomer, Julia Atienza-Barthelemy, Brooke Foucault Welles. *Social Movement Studies*. | October 2024.

**Hate-Sharing: A case study of its prevalence and impact on Gab.** Moira Weigel, Adina Gitomer. *New Media & Society* 0(0). | April 2024.

**You want a piece of me: Britney Spears as a case study on the prominence of hegemonic tales and subversive stories in online media.**

Alyssa Hasegawa Smith, Adina Gitomer, Brooke Foucault Welles. *First Monday*, 28(12). | December 2023.

**The speech we miss: How keyword-based data collection obscures youth participation in online political discourse.** Adina Gitomer, Sarah Shugars, Ryan J. Gallagher, Stefan D. McCabe, Brooke Foucault Welles. *Computational Communication Research*, 5(1). | January 2023.

**Pandemics, Protests, and Publics: Demographic Activity and Engagement on Twitter in 2020.**

Sarah Shugars, Adina Gitomer, Stefan D. McCabe, Ryan J. Gallagher, Kenneth Joseph, Nir Grinberg, Larissa Doroshenko, Brooke Foucault Welles, David Lazer. *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media*, 1. | April 2021.

**Geographic impressions in Facebook political ads.**  
**Adina Gitomer**, Pavel Oleinikov, Laura Baum, Erika Franklin Fowler, Saray Shai. *Applied Network Science*, 6(1). | February 2021.

**Social Movements in the Digital Age.** **Adina Gitomer**, Alyssa Smith, Hana Chalmers, Larissa Doroshenko, Robin A. Lange, Alex Madaras, Ryan J. Gallagher, Tamanna Urmi, Brooke Foucault Welles. Chapter in *Social Data Science*, Oxford University Press. | In press.

## UNDERGRADUATE THESIS

**(A/E)ffective Exchange in YouTube's Alternative Influence Network.**  
**High Honors.** Advisor: Saray Shai. *Wesleyan University Library and Digital Archives*. | April 2020.

## professional appointments

**RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS** **Communication Media and Marginalization (CoMM) Lab**  
Network Science Institute  
Northeastern University | Boston, MA  
September 2020 - Present

**Lazer Lab**  
Network Science Institute  
Northeastern University | Boston, MA  
September 2020 - May 2021

**DELTA Lab**  
Wesleyan Media Project  
Wesleyan University | Middletown, CT  
June 2019 - September 2020

## INDUSTRY POSITIONS

**Reddit**  
Data Science Intern, Safety Team  
June 2023 - September 2023

## presentations

### CONFERENCE TALKS

**Stop Scrolling!: Youth activism and political remix on TikTok.** *73rd Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference*. Toronto, Canada. | May 2023.

**The speech we miss: How keyword based data collection obscures participation in online election discourse.** *Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS)*. Boston, MA. | June 2022.

**The Speech We Miss: (Re)examining Young People's Participation in U.S. Presidential Election Discourse.** *72nd Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference.* Paris, France. | May 2022.

**Online Voice, Attention, and (In)Equality in the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election.** *Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS).* Virtual. | August 2021.

**Online Voice, Attention, and (In)Equality in the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election.** *Networks 2021.* Virtual. | July 2021.

**Who Funds Political Ads on Facebook? Examining the Source Through the Receiver.** *Politics and Computational Social Science / Political Networks (PaCSS/PolNet).* Virtual. | August 2020.

## INVITED TALKS

**Youth online political participation.** *Wellesley Cred Lab, Wellesley College.* Wellesley, MA. | January 2024.

**Stop Scrolling!: Youth activism and political remix on TikTok.** *Social Media Governance Initiative Spring 2023 Convening: Beyond Moderation.* New Haven, CT. | March 2023.

**Youth activism on TikTok.** *Co-Lab for Data Impact, Northeastern University.* Boston, MA. | January 2023.

## teaching

### INSTRUCTION

**Data Science Programming Practicum: Social Sciences and Humanities.** Northeastern University, Boston, MA. | Spring 2022, Fall 2024.

### GUEST LECTURES

**Digital Activism and Social Networks.** Media and Social Change, class of Moira Weigel. Northeastern University, Boston, MA. | Fall 2022.

### TEACHING ASSISTANCE

**Computer Science I.** Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT. | Fall 2018 - Spring 2020.

**Computer Science II.** Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT. | Fall 2018 - Spring 2020.

## honors, awards, + grants

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| AWARDS        | <b>Top Student Paper Award.</b> <i>72nd Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference, Political Communication Division.</i>   May 2022. |
| GRANTS        | <b>NULab Seedling Grant.</b> (\$750). <i>NULab for Texts, Maps, and Networks.</i> Northeastern University.   2023.   |
|               | <b>NULab Travel Grant.</b> (\$1,000). <i>NULab for Texts, Maps, and Networks.</i> Northeastern University.   2022, 2023.                                   |
| UNDERGRADUATE | <b>High Honors Thesis in Computer Science.</b> Wesleyan University.   May 2020.  |
|               | <b>Michael Rice Prize for Excellence in Computer Science.</b> Wesleyan University.   May 2020.   |
|               | <b>Needler Prize for Excellence in Jewish Studies.</b> Wesleyan University.   May 2020.  |
|               | <b>Wesleyan Science Research Fellowship Grant.</b> (\$4,400). Wesleyan University.   Summer 2019.  |

## professional service

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| CONFERENCES             | <b>Panel Chair.</b> <i>Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS).</i>   August 2021 & June 2022.  |
|                         | <b>Co-Organizer.</b> <i>Networked Justice Satellite Symposium. Networks 2021.</i> Virtual.   June 2021.   |
| DEPARTMENTAL LEADERSHIP | <b>Treasurer.</b> Student Government Association. <i>Network Science Institute.</i> Boston.   September 2023 - May 2024.  |
| JOURNAL PEER REVIEW     | Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World; The International Journal of Press/Politics; Scientific Reports; Computational Communication Research; American Behavioral Scientist; Harvard Kennedy School Misinformation Review |
| CONFERENCE PEER REVIEW  | International Communication Association (ICA)<br>Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW)   |

## projects

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| REPORTS | <b>Copy Editor.</b> The COVID States Project. <a href="https://covidstates.org/">https://covidstates.org/</a> .   September 2020 - May 2021. |
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OPEN SOURCE  
SOFTWARE

**Creator.** TikTok Research API Wrapper. <https://github.com/adinagit/tiktok-research-api-python>. | December 2023.

**Contributor.** WebSearcher. <https://github.com/gitronald/WebSearcher>. | December 2020.