RUSSIAN BOTS AND TROLLS AND THE WEAPONIZATION OF HEALTH COMMUNICATION ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Friday, February 28th, 2020 10:30am-12:00pm | Russell House Theater



PANEL DISCUSSION

MODERATOR:



Dr. Brie Turner-McGrievy Associate Professor and Deputy Director, SmartState Technology Center to Promote Healthy Lifestyles in the Department of Health

Promotion, Education and Behavior at the Arnold School of Public Health

This seminar and panel discussion will examine how malicious actors on social media use health communication to carry out several hidden agendas. Among these are state-sponsored "trolls" that use vaccination as a wedge issue to promote discord.

PANELISTS:



Dr. Brooke McKeever Associate Dean of Research and Associate Professor in the Department of School of Journalism and Mass Communications and

College of Information and Communications



Dr. Amir Karami Assistant Professor in the Department of School of Library and Information Science and College of Information and Communications



Dr. Eric Brenner Adjunct Associate Professor in the Department of Epidemiology and **Biostatistics**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

DR. DAVID **BRONIATOWSKI**

Associate Professor in the School of Engineering & Applied Science at George Washington University

Professor David Broniatowski conducts research in decisionmaking under risk, group decisionmaking, system architecture, and behavioral epidemiology. This research program draws upon a wide range of techniques including formal mathematical modeling, experimental design, automated text analysis and natural language processing, social and technical network analysis, and big data.

