

Disinformation Spread Online is So Disorienting that It's Messing with the Researchers Who Study It | Nieman Journalism Lab

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The growing stream of reporting on and data about fake news, misinformation, partisan content, and news literacy is hard to keep up with. This [weekly roundup](#) offers the highlights of what you might have missed.

This week I got to hear [Kate Starbird](#), assistant professor at the University of Washington and director of its [Emerging Capacities of Mass Participation \(emCOMP\) Laboratory](#), speak about her [research into how online disinformation spreads during crisis events](#) (like shootings and terrorist attacks) and what she's learned about the networks spreading this information and the tactics that they use.

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