EMILY VRAGA

SHARON DUNWOODY AWARD

Emily Vraga is an associate professor at the Hubbard School of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of Minnesota. Her research focuses on how individuals respond to information and news about contentious political, scientific and health issues, particularly when they encounter disagreement with their views via digital media. Vraga prioritizes using diverse and novel quantitative and



qualitative methodologies to address research questions best suited to a changing media environment. She has published over 50 peer-reviewed articles in top journals.

INFLUENTIAL MENTORS AT UW



Dhavan Shah was my advisor and a fantastic mentor throughout my graduate school and beyond. He's been incredibly generous with his advice, and I know I can still come to him with questions years after graduation.



Katy Culver's passion for teaching and advocacy for her students is inspiring. When I think about the type of teacher I want to be, I always think of Katy's J202.

"Emily is an exceptional candidate who balances a passion for scholarship and a commitment to continual teaching improvement."

- Dhavan Shah

"She is a prolific scholar advancing the field of political and health information."
- Elisia Cohen

FAVORITE SPOT IN MADISON



NOTABLE AWARDS

Finalist, 2018 Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly Outstanding Article Award

2018 Best Reviewer Award from the International Communication Association, Political Communication Division

NOTABLE CITATIONS

Edgerly, S., Vraga, E. K., Bode, L., Thorson, K., & Thorson, E. (2018). New media, new relationships to participation? A closer look at youth news repertoires and political participation. *Journalism and Mass Communication*Quarterly, 95, 192-212.

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