

UW-River Falls to host discussion about the effect of fake news on democracy

Feb. 2, 2017--The University of Wisconsin-River Falls is hosting a panel discussion, "The Effect of Fake News on Democracy," Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. in North Hall auditorium. The discussion is part of the Communication & Media Studies Department's Working Journalists Lecture Series.

Free and open to the public, the discussion features UW-River Falls faculty: Grace Coggio, assistant professor in Communication Studies; Neil Kraus, professor and chair of the Political Science Department and the International Studies Program; and Andris Straumanis, associate professor in Journalism.

Coggio teaches courses in organizational leadership, intercultural, technical, and small group communication. Her research interests include technology and communication, innovation diffusion across cultures, and intercultural communication via collaborative technologies (i.e. global virtual teams). Kraus teaches courses on American politics and policy. He is the author of two books and several articles and book chapters on urban politics and policies and related subjects. Straumanis teaches courses in reporting and news writing, media history, and online journalism. His research interests focus on the history of immigrant and ethnic media.

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