

Noya Kohavi

Professional Experience

Teaching

- The James H. Ottaway, Sr. Visiting Professor in Journalism, SUNY New Paltz, NY, Spring 2024: Teaching a seminar on data journalism and ethics, as well as consulting on the department's new data journalism curriculum.
- Lecturer, Media Arts + Practice Division, University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts, Los Angeles, CA, Spring 2023: Taught faculty and PhD students a workshop weaving philosophy, history, theory and practice, inquiring into the current state of generative artificial intelligence.
- Adjunct Assistant Professor, Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, New York, NY, Fall and Spring 2020, Fall 2021, Summer 2022: responsibilities included:
 - Natural Language Processing for Journalists, a class combining quantitative social sciences, computational linguistics and technical coding skills in Python.
 - Data Ethics and Machine Bias, a lecture series for the Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences program at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences on the roots of bias in automation.
 - Data foundations: An intensive workshop in data journalism, building quantitative and data skills and confidence for students without coding experience.
 - Master's Thesis advisor in the Data Journalism track.

Research and Consulting

- Studio Researcher, Antikythera, Berggruen Institute, Los Angeles, CA, Jan 2023 - June 2023: As part of the Antikythera research program, worked on theory and speculative design addressing planetary scale computation, AI and climate. Websites: antikythera.xyz, cloudmegaregions.site
- Project lead, 'Wolf Pack', New York, NY, Sept 2020 - present: Wolf Pack explores how media coverage of criminal justice enabled mass incarceration in the US, using a novel database of 25 years of news coverage and NLP methods to track the volume and content of sensational news. Funded by the Brown Institute for Media Innovation. To be published in 2024.
- Associate Research Scholar, Brown Institute for Media Innovation, Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, New York, NY, Sept. 2018 - July 2019: Developed an unsupervised AI visual search and discovery algorithm, digitally mimicking the human process of visual association across mediums. Received a Brown Institute Magic Grant. Website: lineage.vision

Software development

- Computational Linguist / Software Engineer, Intel, Santa Clara, CA, 2014 - 2018
- Computational Linguist, Ginger Software, Tel Aviv, Israel 2012 - 2014

Journalism

- Staff reporter, Telluride Daily Planet, Telluride, CO, 2012
- Culture reporter, Ha'aretz, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2008 - 2010

Professional group affiliations

- NEW INC, New York, NY: member, 2019-2022, mentor 2023-present : NEW INC is the New Museum's incubator at the interaction of technology, art and design. I organized Unnamed Friends, an experimental, democratic, distributed funding project. So far we've distributed \$10k to members. With UF, I am a Community Mentor in Residence. Websites: www.newinc.org, unnamed.fund

Education

MS in Journalism, Columbia University, New York, NY (2011)

Graduated with honors and received a Maria Moors Cabot Prize Scholarship.

BA in Linguistics and Philosophy, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel (2008)

Focus on syntax, pragmatics and philosophy of the language (logic, semantics).

Languages Hebrew, English: Native