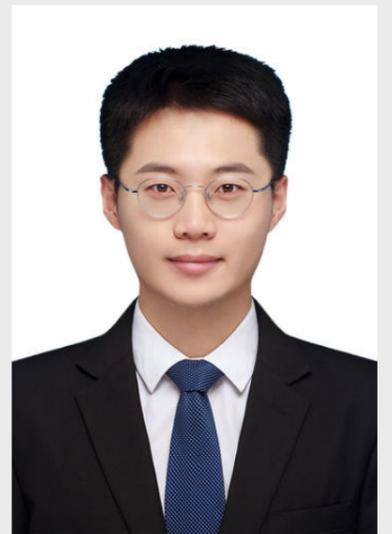


# Social Science Research Colloquium

## Genia Kostka & Ming Ma

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### *Credible Information, Strategic Signal, or Both? Authoritarian- Aligned Narratives and Public Opinion*



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**4 - 6 pm in R201**

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