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Biography

Associate professor April Lindgren is the academic director of the Ryerson Journalism Research Centre and principal researcher for the Local News Research Project at Ryerson University's School of Journalism. Her research has examined the role of ethnic media in providing information for newcomers. More recently, her work on local "news poverty" explores the extent to which local news outlets provide timely access to verified news about local politics, the economy, education and other information essential to well-functioning communities. Lindgren and research colleagues from the University of British Columbia and Royal Roads University have built a crowd-sourced map that tracks changes to local news media nationwide, and examined how news media in eight Canadian communities covered the local race for member of Parliament in the 2015 federal election. The results suggest that local news is at risk and unevenly available across the country.

Industry Expertise

Media - Print, Media - Online, Media - Broadcast

Areas of Expertise

Journalism, Local news, News, Ethnic media, Media, Political Reporting, Reporting

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