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## Top Skills

Microsoft Office  
Photography  
Social Media

## Languages

Russian (Professional Working)  
Polish (Limited Working)  
English (Native or Bilingual)

## Honors-Awards

Center on Global Interests Rising  
Expert 2015-2016  
Foreign Language Area Studies  
Fellowship - Summer 2012  
Title VIII Funding Recipient -  
Russian Language Area Studies  
Program, Saint Petersburg, Russia  
Title VIII Funding Recipient -  
SWSEEL 2011

# Nina Jankowicz

Author, Counter-Disinformation Expert, Advocate for Targets of  
Online Abuse  
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

## Summary

As the Vice President, U.S. at the Centre for Information Resilience (CIR), I lead and expand the organization's work on combatting gendered abuse and disinformation through the Hypatia Project. I also support and advise on CIR's work on Russian and other hostile state disinformation, and establish the Centre's U.S. presence. With a decade of experience in the field of international relations, political science, and politics, I am passionate about defending democracy and human rights in the digital age.

I am an internationally-recognized author and expert on disinformation and democratization. My debut book, *How to Lose the Information War* (Bloomsbury 2020), was named a New Statesman 2020 book of the year and praised by *The New Yorker*. My second book, *How to Be A Woman Online* (Bloomsbury 2022), examines online abuse and disinformation and offers tips for fighting back. I have advised governments, international organizations, and tech companies; testified before the United States Congress, UK Parliament, and European Parliament; and conducted accessible, actionable research on the effects of disinformation on women, minorities, democratic activists, and freedom of expression around the world. I am a frequent media contributor and commentator, with writing published in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Atlantic*, and more. I have held fellowships at the Wilson Center and the Fulbright Program in Ukraine, and managed democracy assistance programs at the National Democratic Institute.

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## Experience

Centre for Information Resilience  
Vice President, U.S.  
September 2022 - Present (1 year)

- expand CIR's work on combatting gendered abuse and disinformation through the Hypatia Project
- Support and advise on CIR's work on Russian and other malign foreign disinformation
- Establish the Centre's U.S. presence

### Syracuse University - Maxwell School

Adjunct Professor

June 2021 - Present (2 years 3 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Teach course to graduate and undergraduate students on "Disinformation and Influence in the Digital Age."

### U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Executive Director, Disinformation Governance Board

March 2022 - May 2022 (3 months)

Washington, District of Columbia, United States

### Centre for Information Resilience

Senior Adviser

January 2022 - March 2022 (3 months)

Lead the development of project proposals; Lead investigations into foreign influence; Advise and consult on strategic communications projects to build resilience to influence campaigns among target audiences;

Consult as required on CIR projects and advise on project development.

### The Wilson Center

4 years 2 months

Global Fellow

June 2021 - March 2022 (10 months)

Washington, DC

### Disinformation Fellow

September 2019 - May 2021 (1 year 9 months)

Washington, District of Columbia, United States

-Testified before the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence on "Misinformation and Conspiracy Theories Online" to provide lawmakers with whole-of-society policy solutions to foreign interference and content moderation issues;

-Regularly briefed Members of Congress, USG, and Wilson Center staff, Board, and Global Advisory Council on technology regulation and Russian and

domestic disinformation in order to raise awareness about the national security threat these challenges pose;

- Led and organized a 25-participant multilateral workshop for Members of Congress, foreign parliamentarians, and their staff on recognizing and responding to disinformation campaigns, building cross-border connections and policy proposals for counter-disinformation regulation;

- Published paper on comparative approaches to social media regulation in service of comprehensive democratic and human rights-based counter-disinformation policy;

- Researched and analyzed gendered and sexualized disinformation in the 2020 election campaign to understand disinformation's unique effects on women's participation in politics and public life;

- Provided expert commentary on disinformation, Ukraine, and Russia in print, on radio, and on television; served as PBS disinformation analyst during the 2020 and 2018 election periods to shape public discourse around disinformation and refocus on solutions; since 2017, published over 35 articles and op-eds; appeared on radio, television, and was quoted in news sources over 250 times.

#### Global Fellow

February 2018 - August 2019 (1 year 7 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

- Testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee on "Election Interference: Ensuring Law Enforcement Is Equipped to Target Those Seeking to Do Harm" and before the House Appropriations State and Foreign Operations Committee on "U.S. Efforts to Counter Russian Disinformation and Malign Influence," leading to legislative proposals on media literacy and changes in counter-disinformation funding priorities;

- Won Pulitzer Center grant to report on Russian disinformation in the 2019 Ukrainian Election;

- Completed and sold manuscript for first book, How to Lose the Information War;

- Identified and analyzed trends, policies, and strategies regarding Russian disinformation for briefings to the highest levels of government.

#### The Wilson Center

George F. Kennan Fellow

August 2017 - December 2017 (5 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Conducted research toward a book on Russian disinformation in Eastern Europe, published articles and op-eds, and offered policy responses to Russia's information war;  
Participated in speaking engagements at the Wilson Center, around Washington, DC, and internationally;  
Gave on-air and print comments to media regarding the U.S. response to Russia's information war;  
Briefed Members of Congress on Russian disinformation; forged connections between academia and policymakers.

### Fulbright Program in Ukraine

Fulbright-Clinton Public Policy Fellow

September 2016 - July 2017 (11 months)

Kyiv, Ukraine

Advised the Spokesperson of the Ukrainian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on strategic communications;  
Liaised with foreign policy advisors across the Ukrainian government and from allied governments to coordinate communications and begin a rebranding campaign for Ukraine;  
Developed and conducted trainings for Ukrainian diplomats on public speaking, writing, and press relations;  
Drafted op-eds, statements, talking points, and briefing materials for high-level Ukrainian officials;  
Developed relationships with press, including the development of a robust foreign press outreach strategy;  
Recommended and implemented reforms to streamline the MFA Press Service's work;  
Served as a cultural ambassador between the United States and Ukraine.

### National Democratic Institute (NDI)

2 years 11 months

Government Relations and Communications Officer

November 2015 - July 2016 (9 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Worked in a small team to guide and implement NDI's communications strategy, encompassing external outreach to the USG and online and print communications. Drafted and edited op-eds, blog posts, web stories, and other written products. Designed and implemented social media outreach campaigns, including NDI's 2016 International Women's Day video launching

the #NotTheCost campaign to stop violence against women in politics, which garnered over 56,000 views in 24 hours.

#### Program Officer

September 2013 - November 2015 (2 years 3 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Managed six active projects supporting democracy assistance to Russia and Belarus;

Drafted and edited a variety of documents, including grant proposals, donor reports, talking points, and briefing materials for internal and external audiences;

Worked with field teams and functional experts to design engaging and innovative assistance programming;

Recommended strategies and future directions for programming in closed societies;

Managed the team's Twitter account and provide recommendations for outreach strategies;

Oversaw smooth staffing transitions in field offices;

Supervised program assistant responsible for administrative support and program backstopping.

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## Education

### Georgetown University

MA, Eurasian, Russian, and East European Studies · (2011 - 2013)

### Bryn Mawr College

BA, Political Science, Russian Language · (2007 - 2011)

### Российский Государственный Педагогический Университет им. А.И. Герцена

Certificate, Russian as a Foreign Language · (2010 - 2010)