

Wonks and War Rooms

S04 E00 - Season Four! Mis- and Dis- information

Episode Transcript

Elizabeth [00:00:05] Welcome to [Wonks and War Rooms](#), where political communication theory meets on-the-ground strategy. I'm your host [Elizabeth Dubois](#). I'm an associate professor at the [University of Ottawa](#), and my pronouns are she/her. Today, I'm recording from the [traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin people](#).

[00:00:20] Today, it's just a quick teaser for what you can expect this season on Wonks and War Rooms. We're focusing on mis- and disinformation. We're going to be talking about how to define those terms, what wider ideas like information disorder are, how mis- and dis-info are the same or different from propaganda, what post-truth politics might mean, and so much more. I'll be chatting with political strategists and campaigners, journalists, public policy folks, and academics.

[00:00:48] Over the course of the season. I'm hoping that you'll learn what exactly mis- dis-info actually are and what we can and can't do about them.

[00:00:58] In the meantime, you can get caught up on past episodes of Wonks and War Rooms. You can download them wherever you get your podcasts or head over to [polcommtech.ca](#). There you'll also find full transcripts that are completely annotated with lots of extra resources. We've made those transcripts available in both English and French.

[00:01:17] This season, like last season, is brought to you in part through a grant from the [Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada](#) and the [Digital Citizen Initiative](#).

[00:01:25] Thanks so much, and I'm excited to have you listen along this season.