

Curriculum Vitae: Dr Timothy Dwyer

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Qualifications

BA (Macquarie), MGenStud (Media Studies)(UNSW), MLegStud (Hons)(UTS), PhD (Macquarie).

Employment

Associate Professor Dwyer has previously taught at Macquarie University (1990-98) and at Western Sydney University (2002-2008). A/Prof Dwyer commenced at the University of Sydney in 2008 and was promoted to senior lecturer in January 2011. In 2014 he was promoted to the position of A/Prof in Media and Communications, teaching undergraduate and postgraduate students.

He was a visiting Professor, Department of Communication Studies at the University of Salzburg, Austria in September-October 2017.

He is currently Chair of the Department of Media and Communications.

Research Interests

Associate Professor Dwyer's research focuses on the critical evaluation of media and communications industries, regulation, media ethics, law and policy in an era of convergent media, algorithmic mediatisation and the use of personal data. His research also explores how news practices are evolving in multi-platform media organisations, and analyses the implications of these transformations for media diversity and pluralism.

Grants

Media Pluralism and Online News. Dwyer T, Wilding D, Bebawi S, Hutchinson J, Karppinen K; Australian Research Council (ARC)/Discovery Projects (DP). 2018-2020.

Aligning technological advancement and regulation in the broadband mobile age: comparing digital media business and policy in Australia and South Korea. Dwyer, T., Lee, Heejin. Joint International Program Development Fund (Office of Global Engagement, University of Sydney). 2016-2018.

Sharing News Online: Analysing the Significance of a Social Media Phenomenon. Dwyer, T., Curran J, Martin F, Bednarek M, Hunter A, Crawford H; Australian Research Council (ARC)/Linkage Projects (LP). 2014-18.

Representing Australia in South Korea's Networked Digital News Mediascape. Dwyer, T. Spry, D., and Lee, Hyung-Seok. Australia-Korea Foundation. 2014-2015.

Moving Media: Mobile Internet and New Policy Modes. Goggin G, Dwyer T, Martin F, Feijoo C; Australian Research Council (ARC)/Discovery Projects (DP). 2012-2015.

Selected Conference Papers/Presentations

Dwyer, T. (2017) 'Reconfiguring Australia's Media Landscape? Ownership Concentration, Netflix and the NBN', 29 November. Centre for Australian Studies, Yonsei University, South Korea.

Dwyer, T. (2017) 'Digital Communications Regulation: Challenges and Contestations', Erasmus Master of Digital Communication Leadership program. 25 October, University of Salzburg, Austria.

Dwyer, T. (2017) 'Regulating the Share Economy: Digital Media Contexts for Law and Policy Interventions', IAMCR, Law Section, 16-20 July, Cartagena, Columbia.

Dwyer, T. and Hutchinson, J. (2016) 'Digital Media Contexts for Policy Interventions in Australia: Regulating the Share Economy', JIPDF University of Sydney/University of Yonsei, Seoul Workshop, 'Disruptions, Regulations, Responses', 11 November. Seoul, South Korea.

Dwyer, T. and Martin, F. (2016) 'Sharing News Online: Using Computational Data Metrics for Social Media News Quality and Voice Plurality Assessments', ICA Pre-Conference, Media Performance & Democracy – Defining and Measuring the Quality Of News. ICA Conference, June 9-14, Fukuoka, Japan.

Dwyer, T. and Martin, F. (2015) 'How Did They Get Here? The Likeable Engine, Dark Referrals and the Problematic of Social Media News Analytics'. ISIS Summit Vienna 2015—The Information Society at the Crossroads: Conference Stream, The 5th ICTs and Society Conference, Vienna, Vienna University of Technology; and International Association of Media and Communications Researchers (IAMCR) Conference, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada.

Dwyer, T. (2014) 'Surviving the Transition to 'Digital First': News Apps in Asian Mobile Internets', paper presented at Media convergence and multi-platform strategies, European Media Management Education Association (EMMA) Conference, Tallinn, Estonia: University of Tartu/University of Tallinn.

Goggin, G., Dwyer, T., Martin, F., Hutchinson, J. (2013). 'Mobile Internet's 'Creative Destruction: Implications for Global Mobile Policy', International Association for Communication Researchers. Crises, 'Creative Destruction' and the Global Power and Communication Orders, Dublin City University.

Dwyer, T. (2013). 'Transforming Digital Media Industry Cultures: Accessing News in Asian Mobile Internets'. ICA Regional Shanghai Conference, Communication and Social Transformation, Shanghai: Jiao Tong University.

Dwyer, T. (2012). 'Public Figures, Privacy, and Co-regulation: The David Campbell Affair.' Media and the Boundaries of Disclosure: Media, Morals, Public Shaming and Privacy, Oxford, UK: Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism, University of Oxford.

Dwyer, T. (2012). 'The Mobile Internet and News Diversity: Evolving Policy Modes.' Matters of Journalism: Understanding Professional Challenges and Dilemmas, Polish Communications Association, Gdansk, University of Gdansk, Poland.

Dwyer, T. (2011). 'News content sharing in convergent Australian newsrooms: the ethics of online reuse culture.' The 3rd Moscow International Media Readings Conference, Journalistic Cultures: Facing Social and Technological Changes, Moscow, Russian Federation: Lomonosov Moscow State University Faculty of Journalism.

Dwyer, T. (2011). 'Voice Diversity and News Content Sharing in Convergent Australian Newsrooms: Tracking the Impact of Online Reuse.' The New Landscape of Global Communication Conference, Beijing, China: Renmin University of China.

Dwyer, T. (2010). 'National Broadband Planning and Market Liberalism: Regulatory Reforms for Citizenship?' 2010 International Association of Media and Communications Researchers Conference (IAMCR), Communications and Citizenship, Braga, Portugal: University of Minho.

Dwyer, T., Martin, F. (2010). 'News Diversity in Online Media Systems: A Preliminary Report on the Concept of Voice.' International Readings in Mass Media and Communications, Moscow, Russia: Lomonosov Moscow State University.

Other Contributions

As a leading media academic A/Prof Dwyer contributes his expertise and knowledge to broader forums of public debate through his commentaries in the media including fairly regular contributions to *The Conversation*. In 2016-2017 he wrote a number of articles for *The Conversation* analysing the on-going proposals to amend cross-media ownership laws in Australia titled: 'Media owners steer government away from reform in the public interest', 'Explainer: What Changes to Australia's Media Ownership Laws are being Proposed?', 'FactCheck: Is Australia's level of media ownership concentration one of the highest in the world?', 'Why Media Reform in Australia has been so Hard to Achieve', and 'Media Reform Deals will Reduce Diversity and Amount to little more than Window Dressing'.

In 2017 he was invited to make a submission to the UK's Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) Investigation into the 21st Century Fox/Sky Merger Inquiry, following a reference by the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport on 20 September 2017.

Also, in 2017 he was invited to make submissions to the Senate Environment and Communications Committee, Inquiry into the *Communications Legislation Amendment (Regional and Small Publishers Innovation Fund) Bill 2017* and their *Inquiry into the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017* and the *Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017*.

In 2016 he was invited to participate in an innovative policy project concerned with opening executive government channels for policy discussions between academics and executives in the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, with his views being sought in relation to the Government's media ownership agenda.

A/Prof Dwyer has been asked for his input into parliamentary law media reform processes including the proposals to amend cross-media ownership laws in 2016 (Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee's *Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill*), and the introduction of laws for a mooted Public Interest Media Advocate in 2013.

His research for the Australian Press Council drew on computational analyses of news sharing and led to, with University of Sydney colleague Dr Fiona Martin, undertaking further research work to contribute to the Council's review of standards, particularly as they related to online news media.

Previous work as a Chief Investigator on a large-scale policy-focused project concerning media ownership and diversity (Dwyer, T., Wilding, D., et al. *Content, Consolidation and Clout: How will Regional Australia be affected by Media Ownership Changes?*) resulted in the policy report being used as a key reference in the media ownership debate in 2005/6, and included in the Ministerial Briefing for the media legislation package.

His contributions to policy and media reform have included sole and co-authored submissions to major government media industry inquiries including:

- CMA (UK) Investigation into the acquisition by Twenty-First Century Fox of Sky plc. 2017.
- Future of Public Interest Journalism, Senate Select Committee Inquiry. 2017.
- Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee's Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill), 2016.
- Review of the Australian Communications and Media Authority. Department of Communications. 2015.
- Independent Inquiry into the Media and Regulation, 'Finkelstein Inquiry', November 2012.
- Inquiry into the Australian Film and Literature Classification Scheme, March 2011.
- Convergence Review, Federal government/Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, January 2011.
- ABC and SBS: Towards a digital future, Federal government/Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, Ministerial Discussion paper, October 2008.
- Telecommunications Universal Service Obligation Review, Federal government/Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, November 2007.
- Federal government's Meeting the Digital Challenge: Reforming Australia's Media in the Digital Age, Ministerial Discussion Paper, April 2006.