We're proposing a panel on academics and journalism at SXSW 2017 at SXSWedu.SXSW

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One way we plan to do that is by putting together panel discussions at the SXSW conferences in Austin, where we can reach a large audience of journalists, educators and technologists. We've proposed two panels for next year's conference and we're asking for your vote in support of them.

One is a panel on the role of academics in fighting fake news, bringing together Maria with Ernie Wilson (Dean of USC Annenberg School of Communication and Journalism and a member of The Conversation US board), Lisa Gibbs (Director of News Partnerships for the AP, which distributes our stories broadly), and Rachel Gross (Online Science Editor for Smithsonian Magazine, which republishes our articles).

You can help us by voting in support of the panel. It will take a just a minute of your time and public votes account for 30% of the selection process. The deadline for voting is this Friday, August 25.

The other panel would be at the SXSW conference devoted to innovation in education . We hope to participate there with a
panel on academics as journalists
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Bruce would be joined by two of our authors - Prof. Daina Ramey Berry of the University of Texas at Austin and Prof. Amy Schalet, of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst - and Greg Boustead (Program Director of Science Sandbox in the Education and Outreach Division, Simons Foundation, one of our funders). You can vote for that as well .

The Conversation is truly a collaboration between academics, journalists, and readers. Thank you very much for your help in this effort – **and your vote at SXSW.com by August 25!**

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