PSY 492 Election Experience Survey

Start of Block: Demographics

Age What is your age?

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Year What year are you in college?

* First Year (1)
* Sophomore (2)
* Junior (3)
* Senior (4)
* 5+ Years (5)

Ethnicity Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

Race Choose one or more races that you consider yourself to be

* White or Caucasian (1)
* Black or African American (2)
* American Indian/Native American or Alaska Native (3)
* Asian (4)
* Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (5)
* Other (6)
* Prefer not to say (7)

Household\_Income What was your total household income before taxes during the past 12 months?

* Less than $25,000 (1)
* $25,000-$49,999 (2)
* $50,000-$74,999 (3)
* $75,000-$99,999 (4)
* $100,000-$149,999 (5)
* $150,000 or more (6)
* Prefer not to say (7)

End of Block: Demographics

Start of Block: Demographics Political

Election Do you plan to vote in the upcoming 2024 election?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

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Party\_Affiliation Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?

* Republican (1)
* Democrat (2)
* Independent (3)
* Other (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* No preference (5)

R\_Strength Would you call yourself a strong Republican or a not very strong Republican?

* Strong (1)
* Not very strong (2)

D\_Strength Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or a not very strong Democrat?

* Strong (1)
* Not very strong (2)

Independent\_Lean Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic party?

* Republican (1)
* Democratic (2)

Political\_Views Here is a 7-point scale on which the political views that people might hold are arranged from extremely liberal (left) to  extremely conservative (right). Where would you place yourself on this scale?

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Party\_Registration What political party are you registered with, if any?

* Republican (1)
* Democratic (2)
* Independent (3)
* Other (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* None (5)

End of Block: Demographics Political

Start of Block: Personal Political Characteristics

P\_Efficacy For each question below, please choose the response that best reflects how you feel.

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|  | Strongly Disagree (1) | Somewhat disagree (2) | Neither agree nor disagree (3) | Somewhat agree (4) | Strongly agree (5) |
| 1. I feel that I have a pretty good understanding of the important political issues facing our country. (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. I consider myself to be well-qualified to participate in politics. (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. I think that I am better informed about politics and government than most people. (3) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. I feel that I could do as good a job in public office as most other people. (4) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. I am confident in my ability to recognize news that is made up. (5) |  |  |  |  |  |

P\_Knowledge Intro Here are a few questions about the federal government. Many people don't know the answers to these questions, so if there are some you don't know, just provide your best guess.

P\_Knowledge\_1 Do you happen to know what job or political office is now held by Kamala Harris?

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P\_Knowledge\_2 Whose responsibility is it to determine if a law is constitutional or not? Is it the president, the Congress, or the Supreme Court?

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P\_Knowledge\_3 How much of a majority is required for the U.S. Senate and House to override a presidential veto?

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P\_Knowledge\_4 Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the House of Representatives currently?

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P\_Knowledge\_5 Would you say that one of the parties is more conservative than the other at the national level? Which party is more conservative?

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End of Block: Personal Political Characteristics

Start of Block: Perception of News Sources

Instructions Next, you will see a series of news sources. For each news source, we would like you to tell us how much you believe each is a source of real news, fake news, and propaganda. These three categories are not mutually exclusive. For example, a news source might report some real news, but it might report some fake news, too.  There are no right or wrong answers; we are interested only in your honest thoughts.

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End of Block: Perception of News Sources

Start of Block: Perception of Political Information on Social Media

Description Social media platforms (e.g., TikTok, Instagram, Facebook) can be used to find and share political information and news. The following questions ask you to evaluate social media as a source of political information. For each phrase below, please choose the response that best reflects your opinion of social media as a source of political information and news.

Social\_Media Social media as a source of political information and news is...

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|  | Does not apply at all (1) (1) | 2 (2) | 3 (3) | 4 (4) | 5 (5) | 6 (6) | Fully Applies (7) (7) |
| credible (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| precise (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| trustworthy (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| complete (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

SM\_Verification People use different methods to verify suspected false news on social media. For each action below, please indicate how frequently you engage in that verification behavior.

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|  | Never (1) (1) | 2 (2) | 3 (3) | 4 (4) | 5 (5) | Very Frequently (6) (6) |
| 1. Check whether the source is reliable (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Check whether other sources confirm the information given. (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Check whether the provided information is the latest on the issue. (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Check whether the images have been put in a false context. (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |

End of Block: Perception of Political Information on Social Media

Start of Block: Media Consumption Questions

Define Consider the terms "fake news" and "propaganda." What do these terms mean to you? How are they similar and different?

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Detect Please describe the steps you take to verify news information. Please be as detailed as you can.

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News\_1 Where do you typically get your news?

* Print newspapers (1)
* Television (2)
* News websites (3)
* Social media (4)
* Radio (5)
* Podcasts (6)

News\_frequency How much time do you devote to the news each day?

* Fewer than 30 minutes (1)
* Between 30 minutes and 1 hour (2)
* Between 1 and 2 hours (3)
* More than 2 hours (4)

Trad\_News In the past 14 days, how often did you use the following sources to get news about politics or the election?

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|  | 1 (Never) (1) | 2 (2) | 3 (3) | 4 (4) | 5 (5) | 6 (Every day) (6) |
| print newspapers (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| online news sources (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TV news programs (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| talk radio shows (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |

SM\_News On social media, people sometimes intentionally seek out information about politics and the election. Other times, people accidentally come across information about politics and the election on social media.   
  
For each item below, please indicate how frequently you have that experience on social media. 

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|  | 1 (Never) (1) | 2 (2) | 3 (3) | 4 (4) | 5 (5) | 6 (6) | 7 (A few times per day) (7) |
| I intentionally read or watched news about politics and the election that people share. (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I intentionally read or watched news about politics and the election from news sources or politicians that I followed. (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I intentionally read people's personal opinions about politics and the election. (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I accidentally read or watched news about politics and the election that people share. (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I accidentally read or watched news about politics and the election from news sources or politicians that I followed. (5) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I accidentally read people's personal opinions about politics and the election. (6) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

SM\_Sharing In general, how often do you share news stories about political events and public affairs on social media?

* Never (0) (1)
* 1 (2)
* 2 (3)
* Often (3) (4)

End of Block: Media Consumption Questions

Start of Block: Mis\_Threat

Disinfo\_threat As you may know, there has been a lot of discussion about misinformation and disinformation campaigns on social media and other outlets in the last several years. Misinformation includes any false or inaccurate information—getting the facts wrong. Disinformation is false information which is deliberately intended to mislead—intentionally misstating the facts.  
  
On the scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means no risk and 10 means extreme risk, how would you rate the risk of disinformation campaigns to each of the following?

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|  | 0 (No risk) (1) | 1 (2) | 2 (3) | 3 (4) | 4 (5) | 5 (6) | 6 (7) | 7 (8) | 8 (9) | 9 (10) | 10 (extreme risk) (11) |
| US national security (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Public health in the US (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The stability of the US government (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The economic prosperity of the US (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stable relationships between the US and other countries (5) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Disinfo\_Res On the scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means not at all responsible and 10 means fully responsible, when you think about disinformation concerning politics in the US, to what extent do you think each of the following is responsible for producing that kind of disinformation?

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|  | 0 (Not at all responsible) (1) | 1 (2) | 2 (3) | 3 (4) | 4 (5) | 5 (6) | 6 (7) | 7 (8) | 8 (9) | 9 (10) | 10 (Fully responsible) (11) |
| Foreign governments (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican Party actors (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Democratic Party actors (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conservative or right-wing political actors (like the Proud Boys) (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Liberal or left-wing political actors (like Antifa) (5) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Officials of the US government (6) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| US citizens generally (7) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Someone else (8) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Disinfo\_perception Lately, you hear a lot about so called ‘fake news.’ This term is used to describe pieces of intentional disinformation that look like professional news reports.  
Within the last 3 months, how often do you think you have encountered fake news?

* 1 - Never (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 - Daily (5)

PMI1 To what extent do you think you are influenced by made-up content that is designed to look like online news and mislead people?

* Not at all (1) (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* A great extent (5) (5)

PMI2 To what extent do you think others are influenced by made-up content that is designed to look like online news and mislead people?

* Not at all (1) (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* A great extent (5) (5)

End of Block: Mis\_Threat

Start of Block: Fake News Regulation

FNR Please choose the response that best reflects your agreement with each statement below.

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|  | Strongly Disagree (1) | Somewhat disagree (2) | Neither agree nor disagree (3) | Somewhat agree (4) | Strongly agree (5) |
| 1. Fake news should be banned. (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. I support legislation to prohibit fake news. (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Fake news should be regulated by the Internet companies such as Google and Facebook. (3) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Fake news should be regulated by the government. (4) |  |  |  |  |  |

Cynicism Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly disagree (1) (1) | 2 (2) | 3 (3) | 4 (4) | Strongly agree (5) (5) |
| Politicians are too superficial about the election campaign. (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The debate and campaign are more about strategy than policy content. (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Politicians only care about their own personal future and are not interested in the country's future. (3) |  |  |  |  |  |

End of Block: Fake News Regulation