

## MIS453 SOCIAL MEDIA COURSE TEAM PROJECT

"AYBU BLOG"

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## INTRODUCTION

What is a blog, what is a blog used for, who is it for and why do people use it? Weblogs, blogs can be defined as the online journals of the internet. These journals are typically texts where content is regularly written (photos, texts, other media) and hypertext links are added to other sites or pages suggested by the author.

When it comes to the question of why people use blogs, the writer may want to share parts of his life, want to report his comments and opinions, want to express his feelings, and create a community with people who agree with his ideas. Each of these requests can support each other.

For our social media lesson project, we, as a group, decided to take online journals of the internet as a topic. Our goals in this project is to see how to use the blog in general, how to interact and what kind of activity blogs have on the internet.

The point we learned from this assignment as a group is that the blog has a great depth in social networks. The blog, which has been used since the ancient times of the internet, has made people feel that the internet can be a part of their life and that it is not just about codes.

We will explain what we learned with the Blog we established in this project, and how blogs have a place among social media.

## 1) Why did you choose the platform to present your theme? What was your goal? How do you explain that this platform would meet your goals?

As a group, our goal was to establish a platform for the students of Yıldırım Beyazıt University, where students can share, where questions are asked and answered, and which also touches on daily life. For us, the blog was the platform that perfectly suited this goal. Blog will be the most suitable option for this platform, where there are topics that are curious and need to be addressed instead of providing direct interaction between students. Since the blog did not directly provide interpersonal interaction among other social media platforms, it served our purpose more. The reason for this is that the direct communication of students with each other can sometimes cause problems in social media. As the administrators of the blog, we prevent this problem and control what can be shared so that unpleasant events do not occur. Students have to send us the content and comments they want to share, and it has to be approved by us. Thanks to this feature of the blog, we can overcome unpleasantness and roughness.

## 2) Define your social capital classified in bonding capital and bridging capital, based on your shares in social media.

When we evaluate our social capital as AYBU Blog, we have a developing and increasing social capital. Our bonds with users tend to vary. Although our target is all Yıldırım Beyazıt University students, we see that we are spreading among the students of the Management Information Systems department at first. Therefore, it would be more correct to describe our social capital as bonding social capital at the moment. The reason for this is that we are currently addressing a certain part of our university. It is probable that this will turn into bridging social capital in the future and it is among our goals. We aim to increase our social capital in the future by addressing other departments, faculties and eventually all Yıldırım Beyazıt University students.

## 3) Define your cultural capital and symbolic capital through your shares.

As AYBU Blog, we are a group of 16 people. Each member involved in this project has their own cultural capital. So we found a way to combine this and access a rich cultural capital. We did not set any topics for admins to enter content. Each member produced content by revealing their own cultural capital and reflected their own ideas. In this respect, our content has become rich and diverse. Content from the users of our blog also helped to increase our cultural capital.

When viewed as symbolic capital, the frequency of our users' use of the blog, our understanding of our blog's acceptance from clicks and site logins show the level of our symbolic capital. When we look at our statistics, we can see that our blog content is accepted. This affects our success in the project and our symbolic capital.

# 4) Explain the social constructive of the social media platform based on the SCOT approach based on your shares in particular social media platform (interpretive flexibility, social group, stabilization, wide context).

Today, people use social media to share parts of their lives, to express an opinion or to defend an idea. In this direction, although the blog, which is the basis of our project, drives us to become an individual platform, we, as AYBU Blog, acted according to our target audience, not individuality. This may not be useful for some students. In terms of interpretative flexibility, we saw this as a minus. We added a "forum" section to this, allowing people to share their more personal experiences. The adaptation we could make in terms of interpretive flexibility was in this direction.

As a social group; As AYBU Blog, we tried to produce content for Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University students from all subjects, especially school. For example, from series suggestions to erasmus opportunities.

As stabilization; The continuity of our content was very important to us, so we maintained the continuity of the content by distributing tasks. Individual approach was not possible for our project. The main reason for this was that the blog was run by a group, not a single person. It is next to impossible for a platform run by a group to turn into a lot of individuality and a personal blog. That's why we determined our target audience as a community, not individuals. Users who entered our blog knowing that it is not a personal blog, adopted our page in this way and continued to use it.

## 5) What are the strategies that you use to achieve your goals? Detail your content.

The biggest strategy we use to reach our goals is to start a department-based way. Since our social media course is the course of the Management Information Systems department, we first shared it among the students from our department. We aim to continue as a faculty and as a whole university in the future. Our second strategy was to enable students to see not only school-related but also everyday content. Our student friends were able to see a variety of content, from the selection of cat food to series suggestions.

## Example 1:



Another important part of our strategy was to enter moderated content. Since we do not accept content without moderation, we have contents that is clean and does not cause problems among students. The majority of our contents is aid content produced for the convenience of university students.

Example 2: Content for students' daily life and needs is always at the forefront for us.



Another strategy we use is to have our English contents available. Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University is a university where international students study. International students among our

group members prepared contents in English. In this way, we actually have the opportunity to reach every student.

## Example 3:



## 6) What are the criteria for performance evaluation? How do you evaluate your performance?



The moral is this: you can't move forward productively if you don't know where you're going and to do that, you need to know where you've been.

We have determined 3 main criteria as performance criteria in our project. Blog performance is hard to measure, but to achieve our goal, we needed to see how our performance was going. That's why we identified the following 3 main criteria:

- 1) Content Performance
- 2) Interest of the Target Audience
- 3) Feedbacks

Content Performance: The contents are very important for our blog page and for our forum section. The performance of our content is our main criterion for measuring our overall performance. As blog administrators, we can see our statistics clearly. We can find answers to questions such as which content attracts attention, at what level, is it increasing, and we continue our content accordingly. We do not maintain content that is not liked or has low clicks. For

example, one of our favorite content was "Mini series Suggestions". We are thinking of turning this into a series.

Interest of the Target Audience: Our project is based on the students of Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University as the target audience. But first, we aimed to reach the students of the Management Information Systems department. We get department information from the students who contact us to see if we can attract the attention of the target audience. In this way, we can see whether we have reached the target audience or not. If our reach to the target audience is decreasing, the content for the target audience can be increased. This is extremely important for us in terms of performance measurement.

Feedbacks: Feedback is important in any project, in any business. Since we are still at the beginning level in our project, feedback plays an important role. We enable students who visit the blog to reach us through our "contact form" section. They can ask us questions and convey the parts we need to change. In this way, we can determine whether our performance is progressing positively or negatively. At this point, the feedback given by the teacher of our course is also very important. Based on these feedbacks, we can take positions, add add-ons to our blog or see our shortcomings. This increases our performance.

7) How did you improve your social media based on the feedback you received? The feedback we received was extremely important for us to improve our blog. Students were able to communicate with us through the "contact form". In addition, we made many additions with the feedback of our teacher. For example, our teacher said that because there is a blog about our school, the events held at the school should be announced. We followed this path and added the "events" section to the blog with a new plugin. In addition, we have put the "questions" section into service for more interaction. From here, students can ask questions anonymously or by name, and we find and answer them. Questions Section example:



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## **Events Section Examples:**

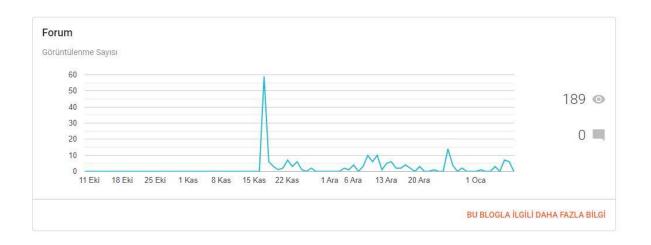


## 8) What are the gains from new version of your content that is improve by feedback?

Since the written content is the basis of our blog; It is very important for us to improve our content, to know which content is liked and which is less liked. We can understand most of the feedback we receive for our content from statistics. Factors such as high clicks and comments change our content. For example, if we see that the students like the posts from daily life more, we increase our shares in this direction. In this way, the popularity of our blog and its reach to the target audience also increase.



According to the above, we can see the number of views of the published content, the date on which it was viewed more, and its comparison with others.



## 9) What are your future plans?

When we decided on our future plans as a group, we first decided that this blog page would never end and be continued. When we come to the end of our project assignment, we plan to continue it as a group or transfer it to MISx, our school's Management Information Systems student club. The reason for this is that we trust our own department members to continue this project. MISx student club will be a club where Management Information Systems students carry out projects on informatics. That's why we aim to contribute to them and their formation with our project. In this way, the effort we put into our project will not disappear, and our student members that we have reached through AybuBlog will not be left in the middle.

In addition, our other future plan is to ensure that this blog page is not only specific to this department, but also a platform that all Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University students constantly use and cannot give up.

## 10) Define you market. Which type of market, individual marketing or collectivist marketing is more suitable for your target customer?

In a project it is important to know whether the target audience has an individual or collectivist culture. In this respect, although the blog is actually a platform that embraces individual culture, we, as the managers of the blog, considered ourselves collectivists from the very beginning, since we are a group of 17 people. As we mentioned in our project, we are developing a project for the students of our school, and the concept of "us" rather than "me" comes to the fore. The most suitable marketing for our project is collectivist marketing.

Cohesion between individuals (students) and concentration in a common area reflects the mission of our project. In collectivist marketing, we base the student community as a whole rather than individuals.

## 11. What is your marketing strategies based specific marketing type?

We all use Google and we've probably all seen pay-per-click (PPC) ads. We may have even clicked on some of these (non-organic) ads that appear above organic search results on results pages. We may even have seen PPC ads on social media platforms. Our main marketing strategy will be PPC, or pay-per-click. We aim to add advertisements to our blog site, and of course in a way that does not disturb users and does not fill the entire blog with advertisements. This will help us to increase awareness for our blog, to attract potential and target audience users to the blog.

Another strategy of ours will be Email marketing. Users need to enter an email to reach us, so we can collect user email addresses as data. This strategy involves using email to build relationships with users and convert them into customers. If we do it right, email can have a ROI of up to 4000%.

## 12. Is there a way to get rid of filter bubbles, bot accounts, fake news?

To roughly describe the filter bubble, it simply means seeing similar ideas on the internet and being in an informational bubble, in a sense. To roughly describe the filter bubble, it simply means seeing similar ideas on the internet and being in an informational bubble, in a sense. In the process of getting rid of filter bubbles, the creators of social media platforms or other sources of information should try to create unbiased websites. According to our opinions, schools are the most important. The training provided is of critical importance in this regard. Raising awareness to people is what will help reduce the negative effects of filter balloons. It is incredibly important to teach individuals how to seek information, how to investigate problems, and to show awareness of the situation they are in.

In order to get rid of bot accounts, our idea is to ask the user for more information. In this way, organic users can be obtained with the approval process.

Fake news is not very important for our Blog site because we do not share anything without moderation. But fake news can be dangerous for the internet and society in general. To reduce the effects of misinformation, people should try to reduce the visibility of that fake news.

Everyone should prevent the spread of false messages. In short, the best thing individuals can do is to not pay any attention to fake news.

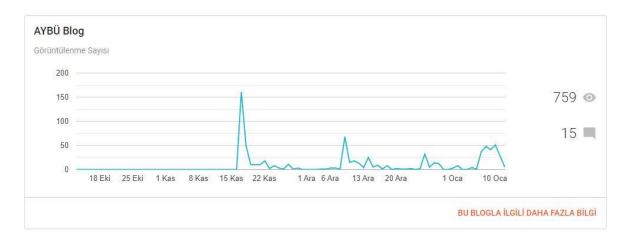
## 13) Discuss the social media dilemmas.

Considering the social media dilemma, the first word that comes to mind would be "addiction". It is such an addiction that we are not as clearly aware of it as smoking, drugs or gambling. We live in the age of social media, we benefit from many benefits, but it can be said that we pay the fiddler. People trying to explain themselves through social media instead of face to face, the desire to be liked, the "scrolling" addiction is an increasing pain that social media leaves us with each passing day. As AYBU Blog, we want our users to use our blog, but we never expect them to change who they are. The desire to be accepted is something that exists in every human being. However, people pretending to be someone they are not in order to be accepted harms people psychologically after a certain point. We cannot ignore the benefits of social media, but the psychological harm that it unwittingly imposes on people is not to be underestimated. Everyone should not forget that they are actually in control when using social media.

## **AYBU Blog Statistics**

## **Blog Section Statistics:**

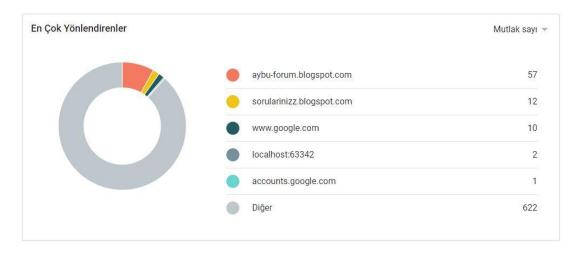


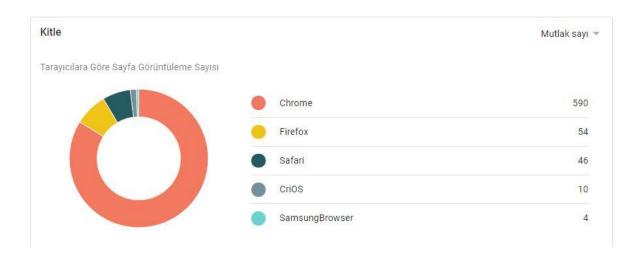


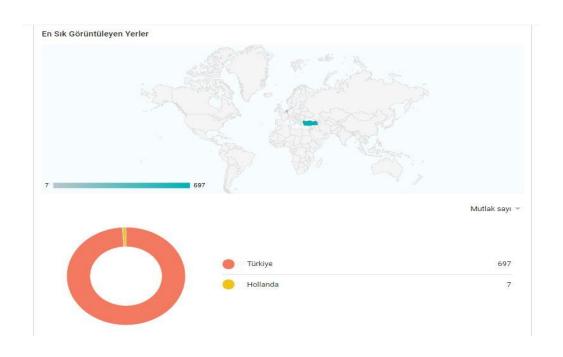
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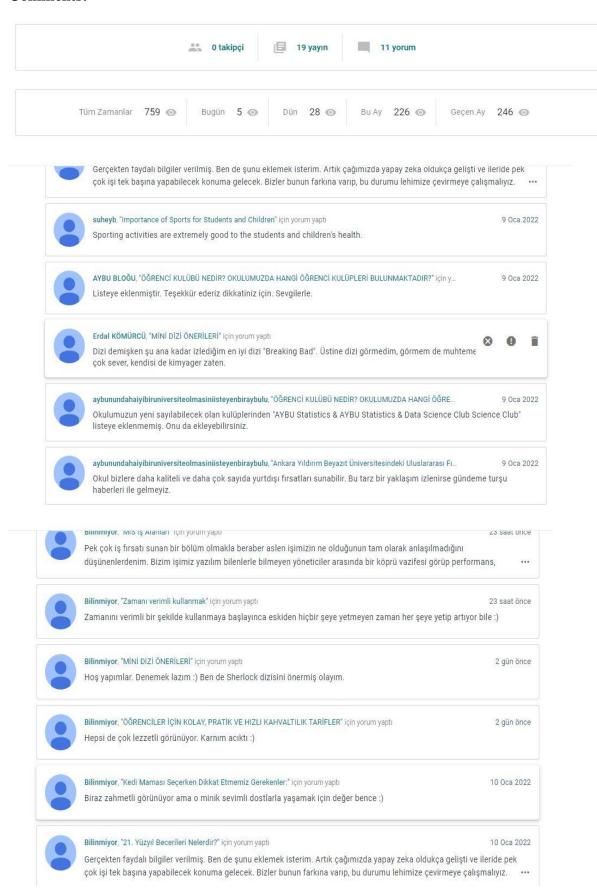


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## **Questions Section Statistics:**



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Okulun yüzme havuzu var mı?

AYBU BLOĞU

Maalesef yok :(

### YANITLA

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Okulun spor tesisi var mı?



AYBU BLOĞU

Okulun merkez kampüsünde basketbol, futbol ve tenis sahası bulunmakta.

## YANITLA

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Merkez kampüsü merkeze uzak mı?



AYBU BLOĞU

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Okulun kendi yurdu var mı?



AYBU BLOĞU

Açılmak üzere.

## YANITLA



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Yıldırım Beyazıt mı Timur mu?:)



AYBU BLOĞU

Kimin fili varsa o :)

## YANITLA



Okul kulüpleri aktif olarak etkinlik yapıyor mu?



### **AYBU BLOĞU**

Evet

### YANITLA



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Yaz okulu mevcut mu?



## **AYBU BLOĞU**

Bildiğim kadarıyla var ama her ders ve bölüm için yok.

### YANITLA



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Okulun kendine özel otoparkı var mı?



## AYBU BLOĞU

Evet Var.

### YANITLA



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Okul yemekleri kaç lira?



### AYBU BLOĞU

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Hangi otobüsler merkez kampüsüne gidiyor?



## AYBU BLOĞU

474,486,472 Şehir merkezinden merkez kampüsüne giden otobüsler.

## YANITLA



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Yönetim bilişim sistemleri yazmayı düşünüyorum. Tavsiye eder misiniz?



## AYBU BLOĞU

Yönetim bilişim sistemleri öğrencileri olaraktan tavsiye ediyoruz.

## YANITLA



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İnstagramda takip edebileceğim okul ile ilgili güzel sayfalar var mı?



### AYBU BLOĞU

Aybucaps'i takip edebilirsin, herkese hitap eden bir tarzları var.

## YANITLA



## Unknown

Merhabalar, okul çevresinde eve çıkmayı düşünüyorum, nereyi önerirsiniz?



## AYBU BLOĞU

Kuzey Ankara, Pursaklar, Saray okula yakın ve ucuz yerler.

## **Summary**

In summary, within the scope of the AYBU Blog project, we have established a blog page for Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University students where they can feel belonging, interact, satisfy their curiosity and gain information. Within the scope of the project, we realized that the students were actually in search of information about the school that they could not reach.

The questions section has been an important area for our blog in this respect. As managers, we researched what we were curious about and thought that our friends would also be curious about them, and we shared them. Thanks to our growing interactions and positive feedback, we have decided that this project has a future.

As AYBU Blog, we aim to create a blog community that appeals to all Yıldırım Beyazıt University students in the future and to spread it as a trend belonging to our university.

In addition, within the scope of the project, each group member got information about social media management, some group members were interested in the technical parts of our blog page and some group members were interested in our content part.

This project also contributed to teamwork and task distribution. It has to be said that, as AYBU Blog, we learned that the blog still has a place among other social media platforms in this project and that interactions can also be achieved from this platform.

We hope that the AYBU Blog will become a trend for our university in the future.