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CONSENT FOR RESEARCH STUDY PARTICIPATION

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You are invited to take part in a survey designed by students in POLS 1140
Public Opinion and American Democracy

What is this study about?

The purpose of this survey is for students to get experience designing and analyzing survey data.

Why I am I being asked to participate?

Eligible participants are residents of the United States who are 18 years of age or older. If you do not meet these requirements, please close the window.

Your decision to participate or decline participation in this study is completely voluntary and you have the right to terminate your participation at any time

without penalty. If you do not wish to complete this survey just close your browser.

What will I be asked to do?

You will be asked to answer some questions about yourself and your opinions on politics. You will also be asked to indicate your preferences for hypothetical candidates.

This study will take approximately 10 minutes of your time.

Will I be paid?

You will receive \$2.00 upon completing this study and submitting the HIT.

What are the risks?

The risks to individuals participating in this survey are comparable to those that exist in daily life from reading the news or during normal Internet use. You may refuse to answer any questions you are uncomfortable with and you may end your participation in this study at any time. If you wish to withdraw from the study or have any questions, contact the investigator listed above.

What are the benefits?

Although your participation in this research may not benefit you personally, it will help us understand how voters think about politics and elections.

Confidentiality:

No personally identifiable information will be collected (e.g., name, address, phone number, email) by the researchers. The data will be deleted following the

completion of the course in May 2023. Brown University staff sometimes review studies like this one to make sure they are being done safely and correctly. If a review of this study takes place, your records may be examined. The reviewers will protect your confidentiality. This survey is fielded on Qualtrics. For information more about Qualtrics' data and privacy policies please click here: <https://www.qualtrics.com/support/survey-platform/getting-started/data-protection-privacy/>

Important information about your MTurk ID:

This ID does not directly identify you, but it can be linked to your public profile page. You may therefore wish to restrict what information you share on this public profile. We will not share your MTurk ID with anyone outside of our research team. If you ever contact us, Amazon.com will automatically insert your email address into the message so that we can reply to you. We will use your name and email only to respond to your communication and will never distribute it to anyone outside of our research team. For more information about the privacy and confidentiality limitations associated with using mTurk please refer to Amazon's MTurk Privacy Policy: <https://www.mturk.com/mturk/privacynotice> and <https://www.mturk.com/mturk/contact>

Voluntary: You do not have to be in this study if you do not want to be. Even if you decide to be in this study, you can change your mind and stop at any time.

Who can I talk to if I have questions?

If you have any questions about your participation in this study, you can email paul_testa@brown.edu. If you have questions about your rights as a research participant, you can contact Brown University's Human Research Protection Program at 401-863-3050 or email them at IRB@Brown.edu.

Please print a copy of this consent form for your records, if you so desire.

Voluntary Consent

I have read and understand the above consent form, I certify that I am 18 years old or older and, by clicking the submit button to enter the survey, I indicate my willingness to voluntarily take part in this study.

- ☐ I agree
- ☐ I do not agree

Prolific ID

What is your Prolific ID?

Please note that this response should auto-fill with the correct ID

POLS 1140 - Demographics

First, we'd like to ask you some questions about yourself.

What is your gender identity?

- ☐ Fluid/Genderfluid
- ☐ Gender Non-Conforming/Genderqueer
- ☐ Man
- ☐ Non-Binary
- ☐ Transgender Man/Trans Man
- ☐ Transgender Woman/Trans Woman
- ☐ Woman
- ☐ Not listed (please state):
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

What is your age in years?

What's the highest level of education you've completed?

- ☐ Less than high school
- ☐ High school graduate
- ☐ Some college
- ☐ 2 year degree
- ☐ 4 year degree
- ☐ Professional degree
- ☐ Doctorate

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

- ☐ Less than \$25,000
- ☐ \$25,000-\$49,999
- ☐ \$50,000-\$74,999
- ☐ \$75,000-\$99,999
- ☐ \$100,000-\$149,999
- ☐ \$150,000 or more
- ☐ Prefer not to say

What racial or ethnic group best describes you? Please select all that apply

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> White | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino/a |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

☐ Asian

In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

- ☐ Extremely Liberal
- ☐ Liberal
- ☐ Slightly liberal
- ☐ Moderate, middle of the road
- ☐ Slightly conservative
- ☐ Conservative
- ☐ Extremely Conservative

Generally speaking do you think of yourself as a...

- ☐ Democrat
- ☐ Republican
- ☐ Independent
- ☐ Other

Would you call yourself a...

- ☐ Not very strong Democrat
- ☐ Strong Democrat

Would you call yourself a...

- ☐ Not very strong Republican
- ☐ Strong Republican

Would you consider yourself closer to...

- ☐ The Republican Party
- ☐ The Democratic Party
- ☐ Neither

How would you describe where you currently live?

- ☐ Rural
- ☐ Suburban
- ☐ Urban

Political Participation

Do you plan to vote in the 2024 Presidential Elections?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

Who did you vote for?

- ☐
- ☐ Another candidate
- ☐ Prefer not to say
- ☐ Kamala Harris
- ☐ Donald Trump

In which of the following ways have you participated politically in the last 12 months (check all that apply)?

- ☐ Voting
- ☐ Volunteering/Working for a political campaign
- ☐ Donating money to a party or a campaign
- ☐ Attending a protest
- ☐ Attending a political rally/speech
- ☐ Publicly expressing support for a campaign/public official on social media
- ☐ Other (please describe)

In the past year, how much time have you spent participating politically in any of the ways above?

- ☐ 0 hours
- ☐ 1-4 hours
- ☐ 5-10 hours
- ☐ 11-20 hours
- ☐ 21-50 hours
- ☐ 51+ hours

Rank the following issues from in terms of their influence on your voting choices.

	First-priority issue	Second-priority Issue
Education	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
The environment	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Gun ownership	Third-priority issue	
Reproductive rights	<input type="text"/>	

Crime

Government
spending and debt

Healthcare

The economy

Immigration

Race and
discrimination

Other

Media Use

Where do you typically get political information from? For each source, how often do you engage with it?

	Rarely or never	1-3x per year	1-3x per month	1-3x per week	Daily (or more)
National Newspapers (print & online)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local Newspapers (print & online)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Conservative News Websites (e.g. The	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Daily Wire, Drudge Report)					
Liberal News Websites (e.g. HuffPost, Vox)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fox News	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CNN	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
MSNBC	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local TV News	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Podcasts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social Media (e.g. Twitter, TikTok, Facebook)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Political Knowledge

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

How many
justices serve on
the Supreme
Court?

How long, in
years, is the term
of a Senator?

What is the
minimum number
of electoral votes
a state can have?

End of survey

Thank you for taking part in this study. Please click the button below to be redirected back to Prolific and register your submission

Block 7

Click to write the question text

	Click to write Scale Point 1	Click to write Scale Point 2	Click to write Scale Point 3
Click to write Statement 1	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Click to write Statement 2	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Click to write Statement 3	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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