

Political Communication Paper Grading Guide

Category	Points
The paper makes a logical argument for why we should care about political discussion. In doing so, the paper draws on outside resources beyond the readings assigned in this class.	10
The paper makes a logical argument for why we should care that political discussion takes place online and connects it to the argument for why we should care about political discussion.	10
The paper clearly describes how the group collected the data, so that another person could replicate the study.	10
The paper clearly and logically defines key concepts and how they were identified (measured) in the forums. In addition, the paper explains how the researches checked for inter-coder reliability and reports the results of the inter-coder reliability check.	10
The paper presents the analysis in a way that is easy to understand and draws logical conclusions from the results.	20
The paper clearly explains how the results relate to Mutz and Wojcieszak and makes logical inferences.	10
The paper is well written, clearly organized, and free of any grammatical or spelling errors.	10
Total number of points:	80