







Social Media by Platform

Audience, Content, and Terms of Service

Target Audience Overview

	Alumni	Prospective Students	Current Students	Faculty/Staff
Most Engaged Platform				
Most Engaging Types of Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Questions• Nostalgia• Pride Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Videos• Brand Personality• Causes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• User-Generated Content• Authentic Conversations• Humor• Visuals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research• Grants• Pride Points
How They Tend to Engage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Comment• Share• Read	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Watch• Collaborate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create / DIY• Voice Opinions• Read	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Share



Facebook Strategy

Content

Alumni

Questions
Nostalgia
Pride Points

Faculty/ Staff

Research
Grants
Pride Points

Recent Example:

Michigan State University
Published by Sprinklr [?] · May 7 at 8:00am · 🌐

MSU receives a \$1 million grant to build work-related skills for youth with autism. #SpartansWill

MSU receives \$1M grant to build work-related skills for youth with autism
MSU will use a \$1.4 million federal grant to expand a work-related social skills training program for youth and young adults with autism spectrum disorder.
MSUTODAY.MSU.EDU

148,383 people reached Boost Post

👍 Like 💬 Comment ➦ Share

👤 Karen Edwards Rothfuss, John Parks and 2.5K others Top Comments



Facebook Management Tips

- Utilize page roles, develop a process for monitoring, and have notifications enabled
- Avoid click-bait headlines and asking for engagement
- Be wary of posting links to goods for sale or other social sites
- Consider using audience optimization for page posts to select a preferred or restricted audience
- Refer to Facebook Insights for your page



Twitter Strategy

Content

Alumni

Questions
Nostalgia
Pride Points

Current Students

UGC
Conversations
Humor
Visuals

Faculty/ Staff

Research
Grants
Pride Points

Recent Example:





Twitter Management Tips

- Use hashtags to be included in conversations
- When tweeting events, use quotes and provide context
- Treat every tweet as if it stands alone
- Refer to Twitter Analytics for your account



Instagram Strategy

Content

Pros.
Students

Videos
Brand Personality
Causes

Current
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Humor
Visuals

Recent Example:



 michiganstateu Following

7,359 likes 4d

michiganstateu #Spartan friends are forever. 🎓📷 @rysterrett @jlt.photo #MSUgrad17

load more comments

johanna_pendley Lololol @maddyburdett

dandv113 Fantastic pic! Go Green!!

s_owens_ Pretty much @theoriginal_bean @redrosesinmay @nesi_white @cpharms1 ❤️

mlyyshiakmr Soon to be YOU! @iiibelen theoriginal_bean ❤️❤️❤️ @s_owens_ kari.marciniak Why yes, yes they are! @sparty.esch

mellebeth @lindseyrelacks #truth

kazemikim @parker56ca @sarah_baby1130

cpharms1 🥰❤️ @s_owens_

♡ Add a comment... ⋮



Instagram Management Tips

- Stick to square images - Instagram says they perform best
- Always obtain an image owner's permission before sharing their work. Send them a private message through the app.
- Don't use an app to share others' images. Download the original image and re-upload it, and give credit with a link / tag back to the original account.



YouTube Strategy

Content

**Pros.
Students**

Videos
Brand Personality
Causes

Recent Example:

0:00 / 2:00

Victory for MSU | Michigan State University

 Michigan State University

Subscribed 

5,736 views



YouTube Management Tips

- Completely fill out all video data (privacy options, category, license, title, description, tags, language, custom thumbnail, etc.)
- Upload closed captions. You may opt to use a paid service like [rev.com](https://www.rev.com) to generate the files for you.
- They're currently changing their page layout, so check to be sure your channel header image, etc., are up-to-date.



Snapchat Strategy

Recent Example:

Content

**Pros.
Students**

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Snapchat Management Tips

- Download your stories each day and save for a record of your past activity
- Track your analytics manually
- To collect UGC: 1) provide a template; 2) have users screenshot the template, make additions, and send it back



LinkedIn Strategy

Content

Alumni

Questions
Nostalgia
Pride Points

Recent Example:



Michigan State University

4d

Spartan pride: MSU educates about 10 percent of the nation's nuclear science Ph.D.s.



548 Likes · 2 Comments














LinkedIn Management Tips

- Ensure your own profile is up-to-date with accurate contact and job-related information
- Customize your profile link if you want to include it as a method of contact in your email signature
- When you have a group, develop a process for approving requests to join and monitoring conversations, and have notifications enabled
- Share content on your personal page and/or the Michigan State University page to reach a broad audience

General Management Tips

- Use a social media-dedicated email address
- Develop a process for monitoring, and have notifications enabled
- Think visuals and timeliness - graphics, photos, video, GIFs
- Avoid noticeable logos and branding on clothing in photos and video

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Terms of Service

How to Avoid Getting Shut Down



Facebook Terms of Service

- You cannot create an accounts w/ false personal information, for a fictitious person, or for other individuals
- You cannot use an individual Facebook account for commercial or business purposes. Use a page in these instances.
- Avoid promoting other channels in your page design.



Twitter Terms of Service

- Accounts may be locked if reported for abusive behavior, including:
 - multiple accounts created for overlapping uses
 - impersonating others
 - publishing personal information



Instagram Terms of Service

- Only post content you own or otherwise have the right to use.
 - Do you have a photo release?
 - If re-using a photo, obtain permission and credit the owner.
- Violations may result in Instagram closing your account and preventing you from creating a new account without their permission.



YouTube Terms of Service

- You must own or have rights to all content you upload, including any music playing in the background.
- Be aware of background noise when filming: broadcast games or music playing in background, etc.



LinkedIn Terms of Service

- You cannot use an image that is not your likeness as a profile photo
- Don't invite people you do not know to join your personal network
- No scraping or collecting profiles and information of users through any means (automated or manual work)

Questions?

Terms of Service Appendix



Facebook Terms of Service

- No creating accounts w/ false personal information or for other individuals
- One account per person
- No using a personal account for commercial purposes. Use a page.
- No posting unauthorized commercial communications (spam)
- Violations may result in Facebook closing your account and preventing you from creating a new account without their permission.
- See [facebook.com/terms](https://www.facebook.com/terms) for specific details on these and other terms of service



Page Terms of Service

- Must be administered by an authorized representative
- Page names must match content
- Don't collect or scrape user information without permission
- Data collected via call-to-action can only be used to provide the service associated with that call-to-action
- Follow Facebook brand standards for using Facebook visual assets
- See [facebook.com/page_guidelines](https://www.facebook.com/page_guidelines) for specific policies as they apply to offers, promos, and advertisements



Twitter Terms of Service

- Respect intellectual property rights, and obey trademark & copyright policies.
- Follow Twitter brand standards for using Twitter visual assets
- Accounts may be locked if reported for abusive behavior:
 - Multiple accounts created for overlapping uses
 - Impersonating others
 - Violence and harassment
 - Publishing personal information



Twitter Terms, Cont.

- Accounts may be locked for technical abuse and spam:
 - Username squatting
 - Invitation spam
 - Spam behavior (follow/unfollow in short time period, sharing mostly links, sharing misleading links, being blocked repeatedly, etc.)
- See twitter.com/tos for specific details on these and other terms of service



Instagram Terms of Service

- No spamming users (creating/submitting unwanted email, comments, likes or other commercial or harassing communications)
- Only post content you own or otherwise have the right to use.
- Violations may result in Instagram closing your account and preventing you from creating a new account without their permission.
- See help.instagram.com for specific details on these and other terms of service and community guidelines



YouTube Terms of Service

- You must own or have rights to all content you upload, including any music playing in the background
- You cannot sell advertisements within your video content
- You cannot make changes to the embeddable player on your website
- Follow YouTube brand standards for using YouTube visual assets
- Not allowed: misleading metadata, copyright infringing content, scams, nudity, sexual content, harmful/dangerous content, spam, violent/graphic content, threats



YouTUBE Terms, Cont.

- Repeat offenses can result in termination of the YouTube account
- See [youtube.com/static?template=terms](https://www.youtube.com/static?template=terms) for specific details on these and other terms of service and community guidelines



Snapchat Terms of Service

- Don't violate or infringe others' rights of publicity, privacy, copyright, trademark, or other intellectual property rights
- You may not re-use content you find in Snapchat
- See [snap.com/en-US/terms](https://www.snap.com/en-US/terms) for specific details on these and other terms of service



LinkedIn Terms of Service

- Comply with all laws, including intellectual property and anti-spam
- Use your real name on your profile (no fake accounts)
- You cannot use an image that is not your likeness as a profile photo
- Don't invite people you do not know to join your personal network
- No scraping or collecting profiles and information of users through any means (automated or manual work)



LinkedIn Terms of Service

- Don't post any unsolicited or unauthorized advertising (spam)
- Don't use LinkedIn to send messages to distribution lists
- Follow LinkedIn brand standards for using LinkedIn visual assets
- See [linkedin.com/legal/user-agreement](https://www.linkedin.com/legal/user-agreement) for specific details on these and other terms of service