2021 Insights & 2022 Predictions



Engaged with Content: Facebook











Fall UGC

Grad Rankings

STEM Facility

The Rock

Golf Champ

- 15.8K Facebook engagements
- Highest post reach on Facebook (398K)
- Top Facebook post of 2021

- 3.8K engagements
- Drove more traffic to MSUToday than any other post in 2021
- Highest Facebook reach of any news story in 2021 (226K)

- 4.2K engagements
- Most Facebook engagements of any feature story in 2021
- 8.6K engagements
- One of our most shared Facebook posts of 2021 (2K shares)

- 5K engagements
- Most Facebook engagements of any news story in 2021



Engaged with Content: Twitter











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- 2.9K engagements
- Top tweet of 2021

Fall Semester Regs

- 2.1K engagements
- Reach of nearly 1M
- Most retweeted post of 2021

Game Changers

- Most watched
 Twitter video of
 2021 (64.9K views)
- Resurfaced story that continually performs well and is loved by our audiences

Apple partnership

- 578 engagements
- Top news story on Twitter in 2021

Nostalgia Prompt

1.6K engagements

 Most replied to tweet of 2021



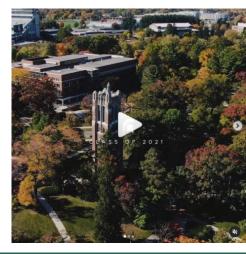
Engaged with Content: Instagram











Tag a Spartan

10K engagements

 Most comments on an Instagram post of all time (2.2K comments)

- "Victory for MSU"
- 19.7K engagements
- Second most popular Instagram post of 2021
- Post netted 400+ followers

17.2K engagements

Taylor Swift Day

Listed among the best brand reactions to this trend alongside NASA and the Smithsonian

16.8K engagements

Gallery of EL

- Fifth most popular Instagram post of all time
- Part of our highly successful Fall
 Welcome series

- Commencement
- 11.4K engagements
- 62.4K video views
- Most watched Instagram video of all time



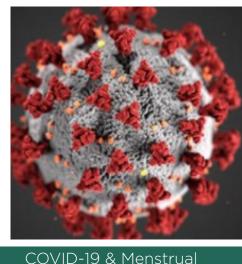
Engaged with Content: MSU News











Apple Announcement

405 engagements

- 424.3K reach
- Top tweet of 2021
- Fourth most popular tweet of all time

Netflix Movie

262 engagements

- 91.3K reach
- Third most retweeted of 2021

Impact 89FM Award

- 72.2K reach
- 225 engagements

168 engagements

Student Vaccine Clinic

- 111.1K reach
- Retweeted by several reporters

- 11 engagements
- 53.6K reach

Changes

Drove the most traffic to MSUToday (614 pageviews)



New Content Tactics

What health & safety questions do you have about fall semester?

Where can people get vaccinated in East Lansing?

THROUGH MSU HEALTH CARE OR A PROVIDER NEAR YOU.





Interactive Content





IG Stories Q&A

- Received hundreds of questions from students that we provided answers to
- Highest reach of any Instagram
 Story in the last year (52K)

Ask the Expert

- 295 engagements
- 53 participants
- Beaumont Tower tweet: 737

engagements

 Interactive content drove some of the most replies to our tweets in 2021

- Archival Photos
- Farm Lane Bridge tweet: 1.9K engagements
- Fourth most popular tweet of 2021

- Carousel Posts
- Move-In UGC carousel post: 14.5K engagements
 - Majority of our top Instagram posts in 2021 were in this carousel format

TAKEAWAYS

- Be timely, relevant and topical.
- Capitalize on key MSU moments.
- Pay attention to trends.
- Provide value + entertainment to your audience.
- Resurface, repurpose and recycle content that previously performed well
- The physical space and presence of campus has become more important than ever.
- Use social listening vs. monitoring to inform content choices.

SHORT-FORM VIDEO

WHAT TO KNOW:

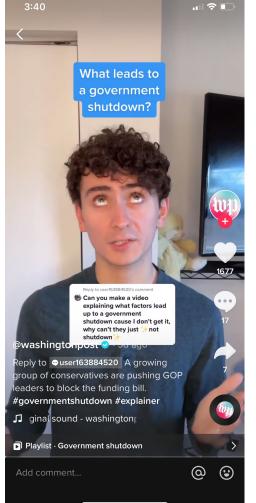
- Recent new features from IG: Collabs, new music for Reels, desktop posting
- TikTok surpassed the one billion user mark in September, making it the seventh most popular social platform in the world.
 - Its global user base increased 1,157% between 2018 and 2020.
 Instagram's monthly active users grew at a rate of 6%.

- Get on TikTok if you aren't on it yet just to understand the landscape, trends and moments.
- Regularly look for and find brand inspiration.
- Experiment with short-form video on whatever platform works best for you.

SHORT-FORM VIDEO EXAMPLES









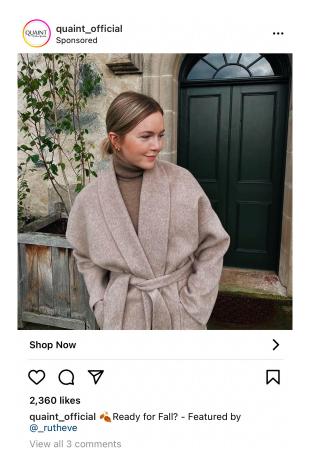
MORE ADS, DIFFERENT PLATFORMS

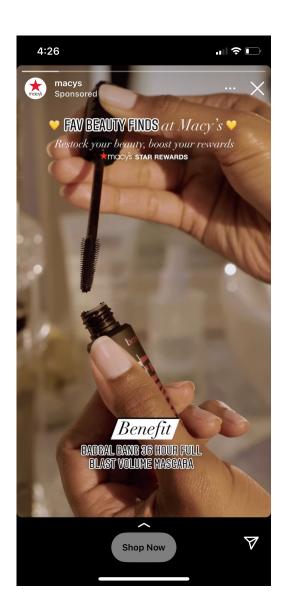
WHAT TO KNOW:

- Organic reach continues to decline, with the average organic reach for a FB post being 5.2%.
- More than half of the marketers say they plan to increase their paid social spend in 2022.
- Shift toward less saturated platforms for advertising options:
 - Consumers ranked TikTok ads as more inspiring and enjoyable than ads on other platforms.
 - Snapchat ads have more reach than TV ads and led to greater awareness and purchase intent.

- Take a closer look at your engagement across all platforms, and experiment with promoting top posts to reach new audience members.
- Experiment with creating ads on a new network, if you feel your content matches the vibe of that platform, and there is room for growth there.

AD EXAMPLES







SNACKABLE CONTENT

WHAT TO KNOW:

- Snackable content is straightforward, short-form, easily digestible content
 that lends itself to being passively consumed and shared on social media. It
 tends to be visually engaging, can be posted consistently, and is often used to
 support overarching campaigns.
 - Examples: Quote graphics, memes, GIFs, infographics, etc.
 - While millennials will pay attention to content for 12 seconds, Gen Z will only stay focused on it for eight seconds.

- Find creative ways to break up long-form content into more and smaller pieces.
- Customize content for the platform it's being published on.
- Repurpose and recycle content and stories.

SNACKABLE CONTENT EXAMPLES







SOCIAL *IS* REAL LIFE

WHAT TO KNOW:

- 77% of people say the most important group they are part of operates online.
- 64% of people say they now prefer to message rather than call a business.
 - Per Gartner, 60% of all customer service requests will be managed via digital channels by 2023.
- Consumers are paying more attention than ever to how companies treat their customers, audiences, employees, and the world around them.

- Start thinking about a social media customer service strategy.
- Create platform-specific response templates for frequently asked questions.
- Take the time on a regular basis to interact positively with your audience.

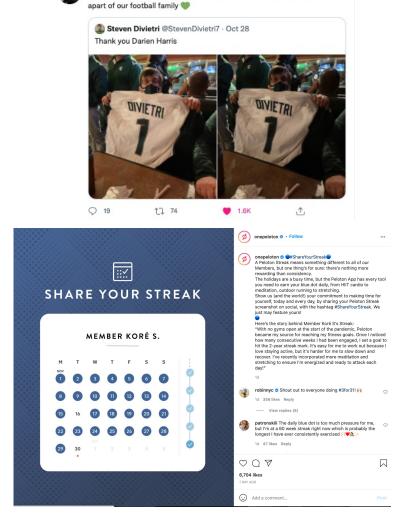
2021 BRAND EXAMPLES (GOOD & BAD, BUT MOSTLY

13 Steven Divietri Retweeted

Mel Tucker @ @Coach mtucker · Oct 29

Steven is the definition of #RELENTLESS and we are thankful to have him









QUESTIONS?