Informed Consent

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Please read this document carefully before you decide to participate in this research study. **Your participation is voluntary, and you can decline to participate, or withdraw consent at any time, with no consequences**.

Study Title: **Florida Voter Attitudes**

Person conducting the research: This research study is conducted by Dr. Stephanie Zonszein (szon@sas.upenn.edu) at the University of Pennsylvania and Dr. Hannah Alarian (halarian@ufl.edu) at the University of Florida.

Purpose of the research study: To understand attitudes and opinions on a variety of political and social issues.

Study Procedures: If you agree to be in this study, you will provide your opinion on several political and social issues. Additionally, several socio-demographic questions are asked.

Time required: Your total expected time commitment for this study is 10 minutes.

Risks: There are no known risks associated with your participation in this research beyond those of everyday life.

Confidentiality: We are committed to protecting the confidentiality, integrity, security, and privacy of any personal information. All responses will be anonymous as we do not know your identity and no identifying information will be connected with your responses.

Compensation: There is no compensation for this survey.

Withdrawal from study: You are free to withdraw your consent and to stop participating in this study at any time without consequence.

If you have any questions or concerns about how your personal information is being used, you can contact the University of Florida's Institutional Review Board at:
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Click the arrow below if you agree to participate in the study. If you do not wish to participate, please close this page.

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Block 1 - Qualifying Questions

Thank you for agreeing to take this survey. We first would like to ask you some preliminary questions to assess your eligibility.

Are you 18 years or older?

Yes

No

Are you a citizen of the United States?

Yes

No

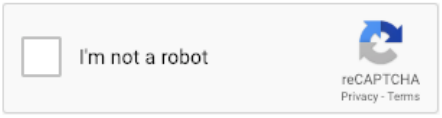
Do you currently reside in the state of Florida?

Yes

No

Bot Check

Thank you! Based on your answers to the screening questions, you qualify for participation in this study. Please click the box below to continue.



Block 2 - Demographics

What party are you affiliated with on your Florida state voter registration?

- Republican Party of Florida
- Florida Democratic Party
- No Party Affiliation
- Other party not listed

What is the highest level of education you have received?

- No schooling completed
- Nursery or preschool through grade 12 (no high school diploma)
- High school graduate - high school diploma or equivalent (for example: GED)
- Some college but no degree
- Associate's degree (for example: AA, AS)
- Bachelor's degree (for example: BA, BS)
- Post graduate degree (for example: Master's degree, professional degree beyond a bachelor's, doctorate degree)

What is your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary / third gender

What is your race?

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White
- Two or more races
- Other

Are you Hispanic or Latina/o? This means a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

- Yes
- No

Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent?

- Democrat
- Republican
- Independent

Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

- Full time
- Part time
- Temporariliy laid off
- Unemployed
- Retired
- Permanently disabled
- Homemaker
- Student
- Other

What is your marital status?

- Married
- Widowed
- Divorced
- Separated
- Single/Never married
- Domestic Partnership

Do you think the number of immigrants from foreign countries who are permitted to come to the United States to live should be...?

- Increased a lot
- Increased a little
- Left the same as it is now
- Decreased a little
- Decreased a lot

Were you born in the United States?

- No
- Yes

How interested are you in politics at the **local** (city, county) level?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- In between
- Not very interested
- Not interested at all

How much do you agree with the following statement?

In a democracy, it is the duty of all citizens to vote regularly in elections

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

In what county do you live?

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Would you call yourself a
strong ${q://QID13/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices} or a not very
strong ${q://QID13/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}?

Strong ${q://QID13/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}

Not very strong ${q://QID13/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}

Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican Party, the Democratic Party, or neither party?

Closer to Republican party

Closer to Democratic party

Neither party

Block 4 - TreatmentDescrip

On the next page, you will see information about a current policy in the United States. Please review this statement carefully as you will be asked questions about your opinion of this policy. Please click the arrow below when you are ready to continue to view this policy statement.

Block 4- Control

Legal immigrants can vote in some U.S. local elections. Many legally register and vote.

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Block 4- ExperimentalMatch

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Block 4- ExperimentMisMatch

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Block 5 - Outcomes1

Would you support granting legal immigrants without citizenship the right to vote in **U.S.** local-level elections?

Definitely would

Probably would

May or may not

Probably would not

Definitely would not

Would you support granting legal immigrants without citizenship the right to vote in **your** local-level elections?

Definitely would

Probably would

May or may not

Probably would not

Definitely would not

Would you support a change to the **Florida** constitution to allow local Florida governments to decide if legal immigrants without citizenship can vote in their elections?

definitely would

probably would

may or may not

probably would not

definitely would not

Some people say that the following things are important for being truly **a U.S. citizen.** Others say they are not important. How important do you think each of the following is?

Please, check one box on each line.

	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not important at all
to be Christian	○	○	○	○
to have been born in the U.S.	○	○	○	○

	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not important at all
to have U.S. ancestry	○	○	○	○
to have U.S. citizenship	○	○	○	○
to respect U.S. political institutions and laws	○	○	○	○
to be able to speak English	○	○	○	○
to feel American	○	○	○	○
to have lived in the U.S. for most of one's life	○	○	○	○

Block 5 - Outcomes2

You selected you **${q://QID26/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}** support changing the Florida constitution to allow local governments to decide if legal immigrants without citizenship have right to vote in their elections. What are the reasons you ${q://QID26/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices} support changing the Florida constitution in this way? Your answers are anonymous and confidential.

What are your main concerns, if any, about non-citizens voting in local Florida elections? Your answers are anonymous and confidential.

Outcomes3

This is the end of the survey. Thank you for taking your time to respond. Your response has been recorded.

Before you leave, would you like to learn more about local immigrant voting right initiatives in another state?

- No, finish and submit my answers to this survey.
- Yes, redirect me to a website to learn more, and submit my answers to this survey.

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