

Special Issue

Extremism and the Assault on Truth, Social Justice, and Democracy

Message from the Guest Editor

The Western world is under siege by extremist ideologies that threaten the very fabric of society. Public policy in the United States is bending to the will and interests of such extremists.

This special issue is dedicated to studying the causes (e.g., rising economic inequality) and the effects (e.g., changes in election trends, public policy, and the experiences of marginalized groups) of extremism in Western nations. Articles may approach these topics from the perspectives of psychology, sociology, political science, economics, criminal justice, communications, or the intersection of one or more social science disciplines.

Article topics may include examinations of:

Factors motivating the rise of extremism;
Attitudes or behaviors of those holding extremist views;
The influence of extremism on elections and public policy;
The proliferation of extremist propaganda;
How the physical, psychological, or economic well-being or legal status of marginalized groups is affected by extremist movements;
What marginalized groups (and their allies) do to cope with, escape, or fight back against the effects of extremism;
The infiltration of extremist viewpoints into mainstream media.

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