

Cyberbullying and Online Harassment

Cybersecurity and the Social Sciences



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Introduction

Cyberbullying is often common in the online space especially prevalent on social media such as *Tik Tok*, *Instagram*, *Snapchat*, etc. Such behavior however, is often very dangerous and could often led to psychological case like isolation from family and peers and depression; and in some rare cases, physical harm like suicide. For this presentation, we'll discuss Cyberbullying and Online Harassment and its roles in cybersecurity and social sciences. As well as what can be done to combat these issues.



Synopsis

- Explain the role of cybersecurity in addressing cyberbullying and online harassment.
- Examine the psychological, social, and legal aspects of these issues.
- Explain the factors that bring cyberbullying and online harassment into discussion and provide possible solutions

Interaction with Social Sciences



Cyberbullying and online harassment often leads to negative social behaviors like depression, anxiety, deterioration of well-being and etc. In worst case scenarios, can lead to suicide or self-harm which could result in legal action being taken. These types of impacts can even negatively impact education and well-being; however, and taking “digital citizenship” can help prevent these impacts to a degree (Dunaway & Macharia, 2021). Cyberbullying is rudimentary to social science as its a key issue that hasn’t been brought to attention. But with enough resources, can be possibly tackled in the near future.

Cybersecurity Role in Online Harassment



Cybersecurity is used to combat and take legal action against cyberbullying as it is considered to be digital harassment or legal intervention. Some cases that can lead to such legal action include hate crimes and AI deep fakes. Hate speech is often very common online and such use of offensive language, racial slurs, and any language used to inflict harm on another individual can be found on the internet on a global scale (Umer et al., 2025). As well as AI Deep Fakes with the rise in AI often used in some online harassment cases like revenge porn and etc. and AI

What can be done against Cyberbullying and Online Harassment?

Bringing awareness and advocacy toward victims of cyberbullying are many ways of putting a stop to cyberbullying and online harassment. By advocating for awareness programs that educate and train on these matters can be crucial to reducing the effects that cyberbullying has (Ahmead et al., 2024). Along with funding into case studies and safety/security measures would help prevent online harassment.



Conclusion



The online space is known for its social media, and often can be found on most platforms are a type of online harassment known commonly as Cyberbullying. The deep dive took a look into the social sciences surrounding this phenomena along with how cybersecurity gets involved with this issue. Furthermore, theories on possible solutions to prevent future cases of cyberbullying and online harassment, and the negative impacts that come along with it. All developed through this slideshow presentation to develop a better understanding on cybersecurity and social sciences.

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