

# Review of: "Nigerian Youths' Perception of Privacy and their Self Disclosure on Social Media"

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The literature review did not help me understand why the hypotheses proposed by the researchers were reasonable or expected. Efforts to trim down the literature review or at least restructure it so that it sets up the hypotheses would be helpful. The hypotheses set out to prove the lack of relationships. This seems challenging since the researchers used a Pearson correlation test. This is a linear correlation test, meaning that there could be other relationships, just not linear.

More explanation of the survey instrument would be helpful.

One of the explanations for a participant sharing their mother's mobile phone number online was that she was not concerned about how this information may be used. However, it could also be the case that mobile phone numbers are often changed and easy to get. How do the researchers know that there is not some other explanation?

I had agreed to review this manuscript because the research took place in Nigeria and the world needs to know more about the experiences of young people beyond the US and other English-speaking areas. I was hoping for more cultural context and influencing analyses. For instance, the researchers reported "respondents seldom discussed directly their sensitive and controversial topics like their sexual orientations, political views, and deep personal problems and misdeeds on social media. Topics like this were expressed using random quotes and opinions. Preferably, respondents revealed more of their success stories and achievements, of which authenticity cannot be verified by the audience." Is this typical for Nigerian culture (online and offline)? Is this worth noting because it is different from how people are expected to behave offline?

Another example of where I thought additional explanation of the Nigerian context could have been included was here:

Secondly, she faced difficulties studying in school due to a lack of interest in the course being studied. Inferentially, since Law is not one of the courses students get admitted to study easily in Nigeria without influence or choosing it as a first choice, it can also be assumed that the lady must have been forced to study the course either by her parents, guardian, or sponsor.

Here again, how might this context be contributing to the use of social media?

Overall, the work is interesting (with a big sample) and timely. Further efforts to focus the literature review, explain the context so that the richness of the findings can be better understood, and make more careful claims about the quantitative findings would strengthen the paper.

