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Yale Political Scientist Gauges Impact of Foreign Meddling on Voter Trust | YaleNews

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The Mueller probe into Russian election meddling has concluded, but the extent to which the Kremlin's hackers and social-media trolls eroded voters' confidence in the U.S. electoral system remains unclear.

Yale political scientist <u>Sarah Bush</u> is studying the question as part of a book project examining the influence of foreign actors on voters' faith in elections in the United States, Tunisia, and Georgia.

"We're seeking to understand the level of trust that people have in their elections and the role the international community plays in shaping that trust," said Bush, who is collaborating on the project with Lauren Prather, an assistant professor at the University of California-San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy. "We're studying the psychology of voters in the three countries to identify the conditions under which various foreign interventions, including election monitoring and social media disinformation campaigns, promote or undermine trust in democracy."

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