Feb. 24 - March. 23, 2025

# ISSUES Digital Marketing Report



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## **SMART Goals**



2%

Increase Instagram followers by 2% by April 18.



15

Gain 15 new podcast followers by April 18.



200

Acquire 200 active users to the /newsletter/ page by April 18.

## **Updated Smart Goals as of March 17**



2.8%

Increase Instagram followers by 2.8% by April 18



**20** 

Gain 20 new podcast followers by April 18



487

Acquire 487 Active
Users to /Newsletter by
April 18

https://issues.org/

## Website Performance

## From Google Analytics 4

Feb. 24 - Mar. 23, 2025

The top visited page during this time period was the <a href="https://issues.org/">https://issues.org/</a> homepage with 6,018 Views.

**Total Views** 

61,336

Down 3.3% compared to previous period

**Active Users** 

34,924

Down 6.23% compared to previous period

Avg. time on page

1.28

Up 37.5% compared to previous period

## **Website Performance**

Top traffic sources - Feb. 24- Mar. 23, 2025

- 1. Organic Search
- 2. Direct
- 3. Referral
- 4. Email
- 5. Unassigned

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# Social Media Performance

## Instagram

Feb. 24 - March 23, 2025

• **Feb. 24:** 657 followers

• March 23: 665 followers

• 1.22 % increase 1



Views: 115Likes: 10Reach: 83

Accounts engaged: 12

#### ISSUES Newsletter Promotion

# Meta Traffic Ad Campaign

## **Newsletter Promo Campaign**

## Meta A/B Total Ad Performance

Campaign Run Date: 3/19/25 - 3/26/25

Reporting Period: 3/19/25-3/23/25

**Budget:** 

Spent: \$267

#### Ad Results:

• Clicks: 375

Impressions: 107,884

• Reach: 76,112

• CTR: 0.35%

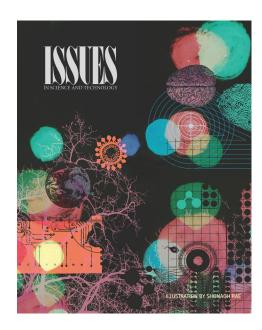
#### **Results from GA4:**

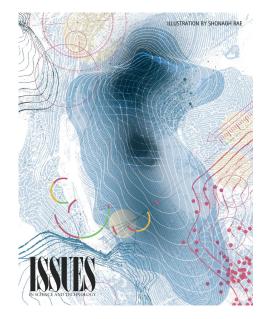
Views: 0

Active users: 88

### **Objective Results:**

Gained 88 active users to /newsletter page





## **Newsletter Promo Campaign**

### Meta A/B Ad Performance - Glacier

Campaign Run Date: 3/19/25 – 3/26/25

Reporting Period: 3/19/25-3/23/25

**Budget:** 

Spent: \$267

#### Ad Results:

Clicks: 189

Impressions: 49,992

• Reach: 36,328

CTR: 0.38%

#### **Results from GA4:**

Views: 0

Active users: 41

#### **Objective Results:**

Gained 41 active users to the /newsletter page









## Newsletter Promo Campaign

### Meta A/B Ad Performance - Abstract

Campaign Run Date: 3/19/25 – 3/26/25

Reporting Period: 3/19/25-3/23/25

**Budget:** 

Spent: \$267

#### Ad Results:

Clicks: 186

Impressions: 57,892

Reach: 41,304

CTR: 0.32%

#### **Results from GA4:**

Views: 0

Active users: 47

#### **Objective Results:**

Gained 47 active users to the /newsletter page



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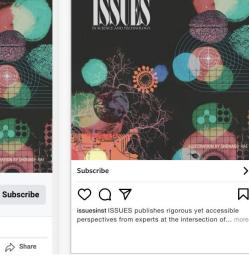
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## Takeaways Meta Ad Campaign

- The ad that had a white graphic performed better than the darker graphic due to the fact that it was simple and had less going on as compared to the darker graphic which had a lot of elements
- Moving forward, focusing on having a more contrasting variable to have better results, such as using a graphic and then a graphic with a person.

Ongoing Transformation Podcast Follower Growth

# Spotify Streams Ad Campaign

## **General Podcast Campaign**

## Spotify Ad Performance

Campaign Run Date: 3/19/25-3/28/25

Reporting Period: 3/19/25-3/23/25

## **Budget:**

• Spent: \$300

#### Ad Results:

• Clicks: 30

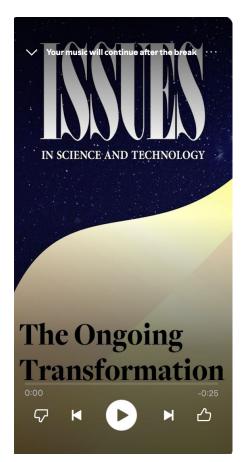
• Impressions: 14,595

Reach: 10,335

• CTR: 0.21%

### **Objective Results:**

Gained 3 followers



# Takeaways Spotify Ad Campaign

- Moving forward, narrowing target audience demographics to monthly holidays and focusing ads towards episodes which involve said holidays would grow followers due to popularity
- Keep focusing ad dollars on Spotify ads, as it led to 3 new followers and in past months has always garnered a steady follower growth
- Changing graphics/canvas for Spotify ads in the future could attract more engagement and podcast followers

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# Reddit Traffic Ad Campaign

## **General Newsletter Promo Feb 2025**

## Reddit Ad Performance

Campaign Run Time: 2/19/25-3/1/25

#### **Budget:**

• Spent: \$306

#### Ad Results:

• Clicks: 502

• Impressions: 205,837

• Reach: 184,192

• CTR: 0.244%

#### **Results from GA4:**

Views: 0

Active users: 385

#### **Objective Results:**

• 385 active user increase in the /newsletter page



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## Takeaways Reddit Ad Campaign

- Reddit Ad's yielded a much higher impression amount which was 205,837 impressions for less as compared to other platforms like Linkedin
- Moving forward, keep focusing ad dollars on Reddit ads as it led to a 385
  active user growth in the /newsletter page for the campaign which is our most
  successful newsletter campaign.
- For next month we will use reddit to run a newsletter promotion campaign to target science communities/science fiction reddits to drive more users to the /newsletter page as reddit has a low CPC for ads.

# **Budget Recap**

## **Budget Recap**

Feb. 24 - March. 23, 2025 Budget Summary

- Facebook A/B Test Ad
   Campaign: \$267 was spent
- Women's History Month Spotify Streams Ad Campaign: \$300 was spent
- Reddit Traffic Ad Campaign:\$306

## Semester budget:

\$2500

**Total budget** 

**spent:**\$873

Remaining total

**budget:** \$1100

# Next steps

## **Next steps**

## Instagram ISSUES sneak peek

Post Organic content regarding an upcoming ISSUES article for Spring issue

## Google Ads Campaign

Create Google Ad campaign promoting The Ongoing Transformation Podcast

## Reddit Campaign #2

- Create Reddit campaign for newsletter because of its high impressions for its CPC
- Make the ad date range longer and include a larger budget.

## Thank you

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