

Engineered Ideological Capture

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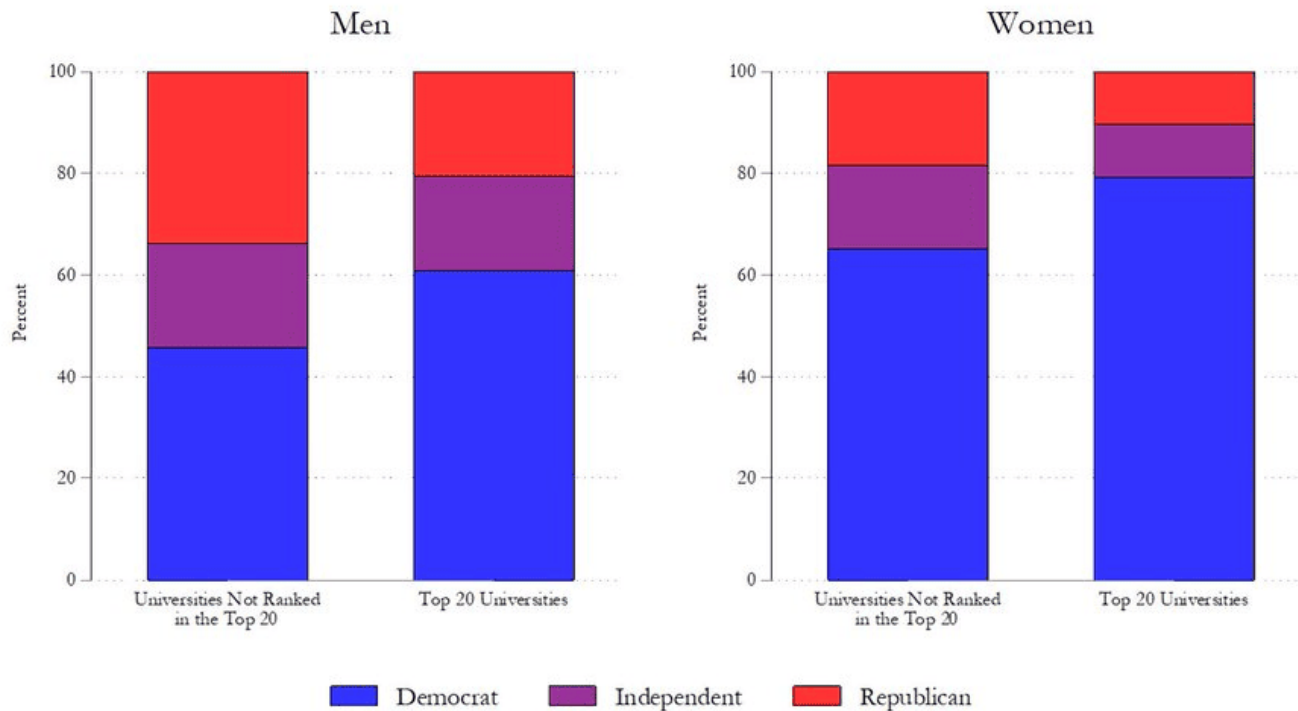
I used to be a Democrat. For many years—longer than I have been a Republican—I voted blue and supported the party’s goals of fairness and progress. However, over time, the party shifted. It moved far to the left, beyond where I stood. I did not change my views; the party changed around me. Ideas that once felt shared now seemed distant. Policies pushed further. Voices that disagreed were sidelined. I left the party and became Republican. I hoped for balance. Yet I soon noticed the same pattern: infiltration. It was not loud or obvious—just quiet control. Conventions used rules to sideline real candidates. Staffers nodded agreement but undermined from within. Both parties, I realized, serve as mechanisms. They herd voters, select winners, and allow subtle manipulations in elections. This is why the topic matters to me. It is not about left

against right. It is about who above them truly holds power. And how **'they'** have taken over our nation, one layer at a time.

Picture a funnel—like those used in marketing or hiring. At the wide top, anyone could apply. As it narrows, filters appear. Certain words, certain backgrounds, certain signals decide who advances. At the bottom, only one type emerges. That is not chance. That is intentional design. Across America—from universities to tech companies, Hollywood studios, government offices, even congressional staffs—this funnel shapes who and what gains influence. I call it Engineered Asymmetric Ideological Capture (EAIC). Radical views replace others, generation by generation. Not through open quotas—just smart, hidden layers. Pipelines prepare people. Screens weed out dissent. “Fit” checks look neutral but favor one side.

As of recent, Universities provide a clear example. Voter registration data from twenty twenty-two showed Harvard faculty at ninety-nine percent Democrat among those registered with a party. Princeton reached ninety-eight percent. Yale and Berkeley hit ninety-seven percent. Recent surveys from twenty twenty-five and twenty twenty-six confirm the pattern. Liberals dominate key fields, often seventy to eighty percent. Conservatives fall below twenty percent. Here is a chart that illustrates the imbalance:

Party Identification Among College Students by Gender



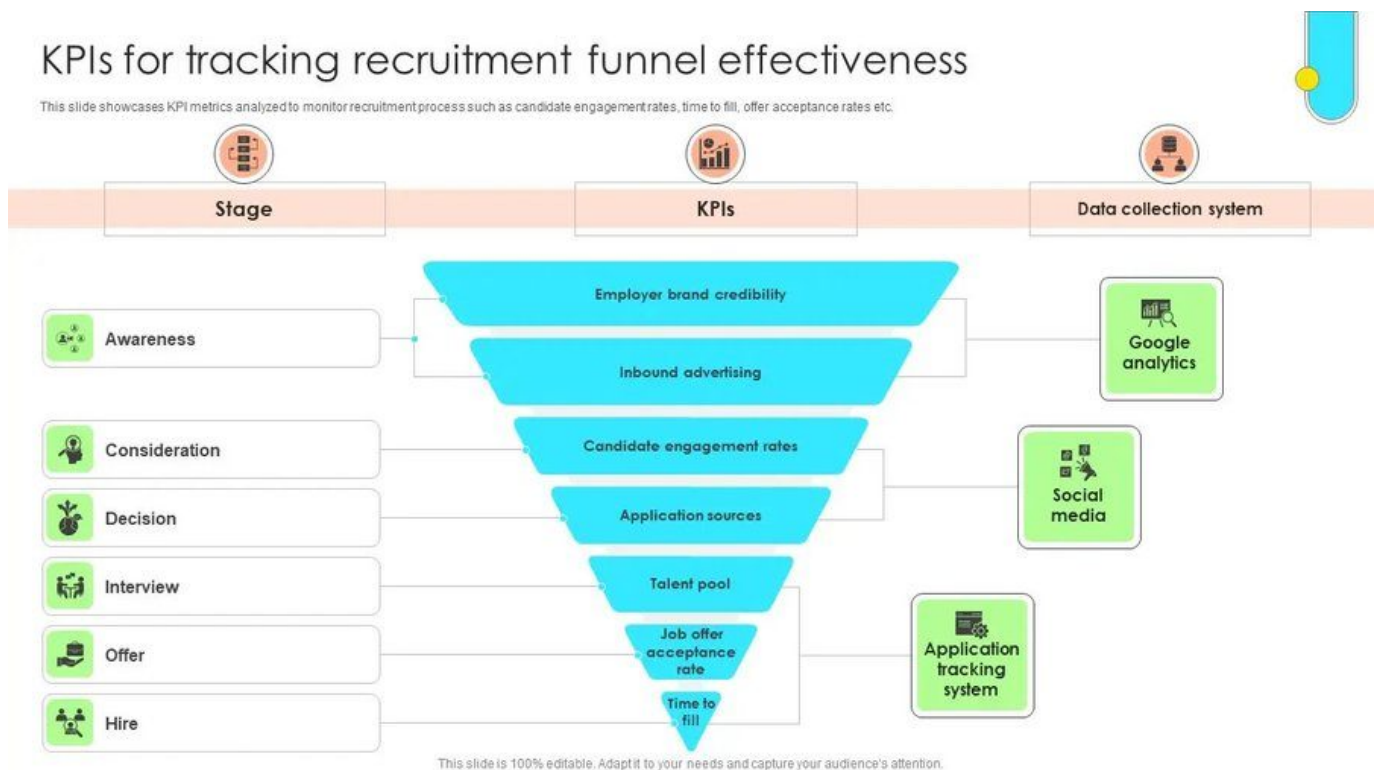
Source: 2022 Cooperative Election Study <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/PR4L8P>

Another view, broken down by field, shows the skew even more plainly. The ‘captured left’—once the broader Democratic Party—has filled these roles. Not every Democrat supports this. Many traditional ones feel left behind, just as I did.

How does it happen? The funnel. DEI is one of the recent tools they used. In fact, DEI statements now appear in twenty-two percent of faculty job ads. Analyses from the Manhattan Institute in twenty twenty-five found that evaluators score higher when applicants discuss race, gender, or equity in progressive terms. When applicants mention welcoming opposing political views—like true viewpoint diversity—scores drop sharply. Before DEI became common, tactics were subtler. Elite graduate schools acted as echo chambers. Networking happened in left-leaning circles. “Cultural fit” interviews quietly filtered out differences. The same pipelines feed tech, Hollywood, industry, and government.

In tech, employee donations still flow ninety-plus percent to Democrats at major firms. Hollywood funding favors Democrats by thirty-to-one in recent cycles. Government agencies—like Education or the EPA—lean left by wide margins. They draw from these same radical networks. And congressional staffers? That layer worries me most. Staffers draft bills. They gatekeep access. They whisper advice. If someone holds opposing views but pretends to align, they gain entry. They can spy. They can slow-walk. They can subvert. The setup invites it: low oversight, high influence. If control were the goal, planting them would make perfect sense. My gut hasn't been wrong yet, so those with staffers might want to pay attention to that one.

Here is a simple funnel diagram—like hiring or politics: wide at the entry, narrow at the end.



Tactics vary. Older ones include unions—Hollywood guilds leaned left since the nineteen forties. Elite graduate programs served as feeders. “Fit” interviews filtered quietly. Newer ones use DEI and CRT as litmus tests—they evolved from civil rights

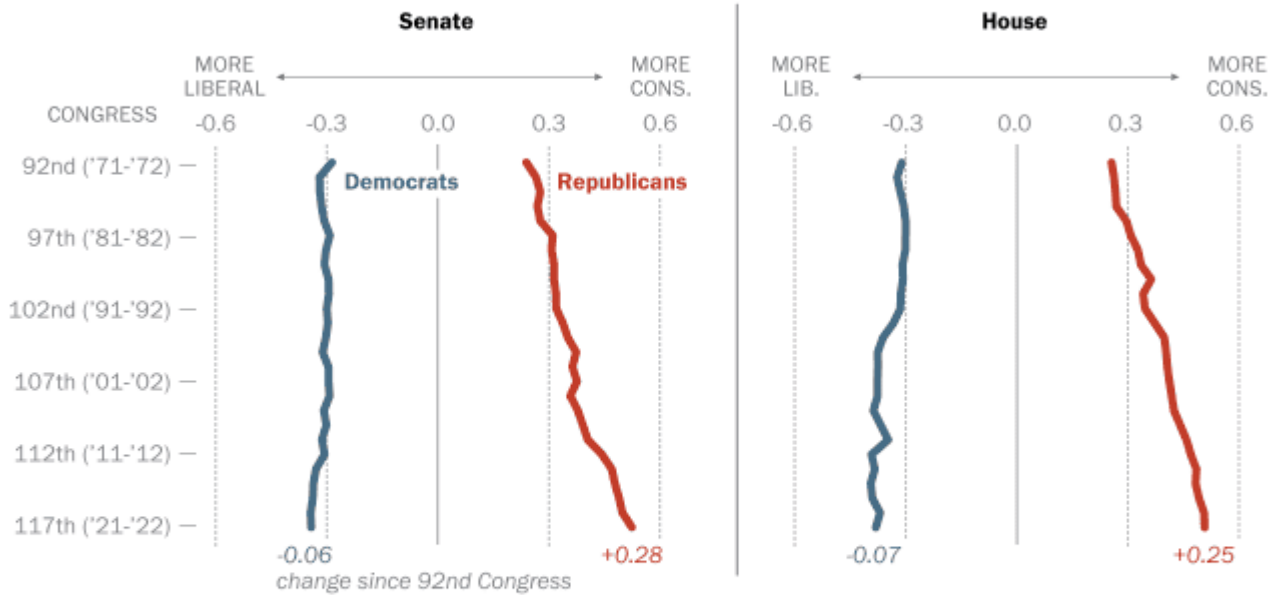
efforts into ideological rubrics. Parallel tools include think tanks and advocacy groups. They supply “approved” talent. Layers hide the process—no grand conspiracy, just selective replacement.

The harm is real. Students face one story, no genuine debate. They are robbed of the opportunity to learn and experience critical thinking. They graduate shaped by dogma, not facts. Careers suffer. And the cycle continues: In tech, content moderation tilts left. In policy, regulations reflect one lens. In Congress, subversion erodes trust. Parties become tools to herd voters—conventions sideline independents, staffers nudge covertly. Both sides face capture. The very foundation of our Constitutional Republic weakens.

This shift shows in broader data. Polarization has grown since 2008, with Democrats pulling leftward. Here is a chart tracing that movement:

Republicans have moved further to the right than Democrats have to the left

Average ideology of members, by Congress



Note: Data excludes nonvoting delegates, as well as lawmakers who officially served but (due to illness, resignation or other factors) didn't have a scorable voting record for a given Congress. Party categories include independents who caucus(ed) with that party. Members who changed parties (or became independents) during a Congress were classified according to the status they held the longest during that Congress. For most of the 116th Congress, Rep. Justin Amash of Michigan was either an independent or a Libertarian, and didn't caucus with either major party.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of Voteview DW-NOMINATE data accessed on Feb. 18, 2022.

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Notice: the captured left drives it—not every Democrat. Many feel alienated, as I did. The party moved; they stayed put.

What do we do? First, expose it. Publicly audit DEI statements. Track donor flows. Examine and share staffer backgrounds. Transparency ends the illusion. Second, break the funnel. Use blind hiring—no ideological oaths. Add viewpoint quotas, like race quotas but for ideas. Open pipelines—hire from everywhere. Third, demand balance. Students deserve debate. Agencies need neutrality. Elections require real choice.

This is not about attacking Democrats. It is about freeing the captured left from its own trap. Many good people remain there—traditional, fair-minded ones like I once was. They can walk away. Join America First, which should stand above parties:

benefit the nation, expose capture everywhere, eradicate it. The funnel exists. The capture happens. Time to dismantle it—together. Start by talking. Share this. Ask questions. Seeing is the first step.

And then, we join together for

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