

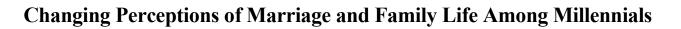
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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

In the introduction, the statement "Millennials have grown up in a world marked by rapid technological advancements, globalization, and significant cultural shifts" (para. 1) is broad. Provide specific examples of these advancements and shifts to strengthen the context.

The concept of theoretical saturation is mentioned but not fully explained. Provide a brief definition and describe how you determined that saturation was achieved (Methods and Materials section).

The thematic analysis results are presented as categories, subcategories, and open codes. Ensure each theme is accompanied by representative quotes from participants to illustrate the findings (Findings and Results section).

The discussion on economic considerations (para. 3) could be expanded. Include a comparison with previous generations to highlight the uniqueness of millennials' financial concerns.

The influence of cultural background on marriage perceptions is mentioned (para. 4). Discuss specific cultural practices or norms that impact these perceptions for a richer analysis.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The sentence "Bejanyan et al. (2015) highlight the growing preference for egalitarian relationships among younger adults" (para. 2) should be expanded. Include a brief explanation of their findings to show how they support your argument.

In the methods section, the description of the purposive sampling technique is too brief. Specify the criteria used to select participants, as this will enhance the methodological transparency (para. 1).

The demographic data provided is useful, but it would be beneficial to include a table summarizing the participants' demographics. This will make the information more accessible (Findings and Results section).

The data analysis section mentions the use of NVivo software. Clarify how the coding process was conducted in NVivo, including an example of a coded transcript segment (Data Analysis section).

The impact of digital technology on relationships is a critical aspect. Provide specific examples of how social media platforms influence millennials' expectations and behaviors in relationships (para. 5).

The section on work-life balance (para. 8) mentions flexibility and support systems. Elaborate on the types of support systems that are most beneficial according to the participants.

In discussing the influence of parental relationships on millennials' attitudes towards marriage (para. 7), include specific examples from the interviews that illustrate these influences.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

2. Revised

Editor's decision: Accepted. Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.

