

Read the following excerpt from an article. Identify the main causal claim and examine how well the claim clears the four hurdles. Does the claim clear all the hurdles? Or just some of them?

### **Facebook Makes Us Sadder And Less Satisfied, Study Finds**

[...]

A new University of Michigan study on college-aged adults finds that the more they used Facebook, the worse they felt. The study, published in the journal *PLOS One*, found Facebook use led to declines in moment-to-moment happiness and overall life satisfaction.

[...]

Researchers tested the variables of happiness and satisfaction in real time on 82 participants. The researchers text-messaged them five times a day for two weeks to examine how Facebook use influenced how they felt. Participants responded to questions about loneliness, anxiety and general emotional well-being.

[...]

Source: NPR, *All Tech Considered*, Aug 20 2013.

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/alltechconsidered/2013/08/19/213568763/researchers-facebook-makes-us-sadder-and-less-satisfied>

**Hurdle 1**

**Hurdle 2**

**Hurdle 3**

**Hurdle 4**

