

Curriculum Vitae

Robert Joseph Vandenberg

Contact

Department of Sociology
Townshend Hall, Room #163
1885 Neil Avenue Mall
Ohio State University
Columbus, OH 43210-1353
Email: vandenberg.13@osu.edu
Phone: 616-283-8995
Homepage: <http://sociology.osu.edu/people/vandenberg.13>

Academic Degrees

M.A., Ohio State University, 2014 (Sociology)
M.A., University of North Dakota, 2008 (History)
B.A., University of North Dakota, 2006 (German, Norwegian)

Positions

Graduate Teaching Assistant (2018-present), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Graduate Research Assistant (2016, 2017-2018), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Graduate Teaching Assistant (2014-2016), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Graduate Research Assistant (Summer 2014), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Graduate Teaching Assistant (2013-2014), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Graduate Fellow (2012-2013), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Commissioned Officer – Captain (2012-present), United States Air Force and Michigan Air National Guard
Commissioned Officer – Lieutenant (2008-2012), United States Air Force
Graduate Teaching Assistant (2007-2008), Department of History, University of North Dakota

Original Work

Published

King, Ryan D., Laura M. DeMarco, and Robert J. Vandenberg. 2017. "Similar from a Distance: A Comparison of Terrorism and Hate Crime." Pp. 385-401 in *The Handbook of the*

Criminology of Terrorism, edited by Gary LaFree and Joshua D. Freilich. Chichester, UK: John Wiley and Sons.

VandenBerg, Robert J. 2014. "The Effect of Urban Status on Xenophobic Sentiment." *International Journal of Sociology* 44(4): 54-80.

Under Review

VandenBerg, Robert J. "Legitimizing Extremism: A Taxonomy for Classifying Ideological Justifications for Political Violence." Under review at *Terrorism and Political Violence*.

In Progress

VandenBerg, Robert J. "Terrorism, Subjective Strains and Narrative Frames: A Critique of Agnew's Theory."

VandenBerg, Robert J., and Eric W. Schoon. "'A Crisis of Legitimacy': Relationships of Influence in the Negotiated End of Apartheid."

Presentations

Scholarly and Professional Conferences

VandenBerg, Robert J., and Eric W. Schoon. 2018. "'A Crisis of Legitimacy': Relationships of Influence in the Negotiated End of Apartheid." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

VandenBerg, Robert J. 2017. "Legitimizing Jihadist Violence: Inspire and Dabiq." Presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Washington, District of Columbia.

VandenBerg, Robert J. 2016. "Non-State Militant Actors and Information Technology." Presentation delivered at the request of the Adjutant General of the State of Ohio to the annual leadership conference of the Ohio National Guard, Columbus, Ohio.

VandenBerg, Robert J. 2016. "General Strain Theory of Terrorism: The Case of Al Qaeda." Presented at the annual meeting of the North Central Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois.

VandenBerg, Robert J., and Joshua Wu. 2015. "Religious Identities and Foreign Policy Attitudes: An Experiment." Presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Newport Beach, California.

Munn, Christopher W., and Robert J. VandenBerg. 2014. "The Power of Giving: Hegemonic Identities in an Interracial Network." Presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Community Engagement

VandenBerg, Robert J. 2018. "Studying Religious Communities and Collective Violence." Presented to the Christian Graduate Student Alliance, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

- VandenBerg, Robert J. 2018. "Studying Religious Communities and Collective Violence."
Presented to the Collegiate Council on World Affairs, Ohio State University, Columbus,
Ohio.
- VandenBerg, Robert J. 2018. "Non-State Militant Actors and Information Technology."
Presented to the undergraduate International Scholars program, Ohio State University,
Columbus, Ohio.
- VandenBerg, Robert J. 2016. "Studying Religious Communities and Collective Violence."
Presented to the Security and Intelligence Club student academic organization, Ohio State
University, Columbus, Ohio.
- VandenBerg, Robert J. 2016. "The Islamic State: Context and Implications." Presented to the
Christian Graduate Student Alliance, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
- VandenBerg, Robert J. 2015. "The Islamic State: Context and Implications." Briefing delivered
to Air Force ROTC Detachment 645, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
- VandenBerg, Robert J. 2015. "The Project on Radicalism and Social Media." Works-in-progress
presentation delivered at the School of Criminal Justice and Social Science, Tiffin
University, Tiffin, Ohio.

Areas of Specialization

Terrorism and Political Violence
Peace, War and Social Conflict
Criminology
International Sociology
Comparative and Historical Sociology
Political Sociology
Sociology of Religion

Honors and Awards

Outstanding Ph.D. Student of the Year, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University, 2016
Outstanding M.A. Student of the Year, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University, 2015
Graduate School Fellowship, Ohio State University, 2012-2013
Winner of the 2006 Merrifield Prize for outstanding original archival research, Chester Fritz
Library, University of North Dakota
Graduated with Honors (Summa Cum Laude), University of North Dakota 2006
Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa (Alpha of North Dakota chapter), University of North Dakota,
2006

Professional Service

Departmental Delegate (2015-2016), Council of Graduate Student, Ohio State University
Sustainability and Environmental Responsibility Committee
Ohio State University-Central Ohio Transit Authority Partnership Advisory Committee

Co-Chair (2014-2015), Committee on Community Service, Sociology Graduate Student Association, Ohio State University

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant (2018-present), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Principal Investigator and Research Instructor (2015-2018), Project on Radicalism and Social Media, Ohio State University

Graduate Teaching Assistant (2013-2016), Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Continuation Training Instructor (2011-2012), Air Combat Command, United States Air Force
Instructor Mission Coordinator (2010-2012), Air Combat Command, United States Air Force
Graduate Teaching Assistant (2007-2008), Department of History, University of North Dakota

Professional Associations

American Sociological Association
 Section on Comparative & Historical Sociology
 Section on Crime, Law & Deviance
 Section on Human Rights
 Section on Peace, War & Social Conflict
North Central Sociological Association
Social Science History Association
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Research Languages

Norwegian (*bokmål*) – near-native written and spoken comprehension
Danish – near-native written comprehension; basic spoken comprehension
Swedish – advanced written and spoken comprehension
German – advanced written and spoken comprehension
Spanish – intermediate written comprehension; basic spoken comprehension
Dutch – intermediate written comprehension; basic spoken comprehension
Afrikaans – intermediate written comprehension; basic spoken comprehension

References: Available upon request