apply to the rocca lab!

participate in rigorous social science research that inspires public solutions to global questions.
our mission is to collaboratively produce rigorous research on political violence and collective action problems while helping students to develop skills that render them stronger candidates for graduate school and professional careers.

What is ROCCA?

Projects

click here to read the descriptions of our current research projects this semester!

Researchers

meet our wonderful faculty as well as our graduate and undergraduate researchers!
the lab is helmed by ten faculty members from the Department of Political Science, Economics, and Anthropology with Andrew Coe serving as the Director of the lab.

faculty members lead projects on terrorism, refugees, protest, war, and many other topics while guiding members through the research process.

there are weekly team meetings with mentors and your peers where you share progress updates and discuss the successes and struggles you encountered throughout the research process.
Potential Lab Tracks

Paid Research
Spots are limited, but there are paid positions thanks to funding from Vanderbilt Seeding Success.

Independent Study
Although the course is preferred, you can instead enroll as part of an independent study.

Research Course (Recommended)
Enroll in PSCI 3895 (a 3 credit hour course) to develop your research skills and participate in professionalization workshops. Complete assignments and engage in discussions centered around conducting team-based research.
participating in the ROCCA lab can serve as a means of fulfilling the Immersion Vanderbilt requirement.

you still need to specify your plan by submitting a project proposal, but the lab is here to support your Immersion experience.
Day in the life of a ROCCA'teer

Monday
outreach team meeting:
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm

Tuesday
rocca course:
11:10 am - 12:25 pm

Wednesday
own time:
complete research assignment for two teams

Thursday
refugees team meeting:
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Friday
own time:
complete research assignment for two teams
Info Session!

join us to learn more about the ROCCA lab and to ask any questions you may have.

hear from the Immersion Vanderbilt office and current lab members who are using ROCCA to fulfill the project requirement.

When: October 27, 2021
Where: TBD (more info to come on the website/social media)
How to Register: TBD

see you there!
the application can be found on the ROCCA website once it opens on **october 18th**

**Application Link**

it is a quick application consisting of a few short-answer questions, multiple-choice questions, an academic transcript, and a writing sample.

**Format**

make sure to have your application in before **november 1st**!

**Deadline**
Contact Us
please reach out with any questions or concerns you have!

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