Apply to the ROCCA Lab

Research on Conflict and Collective Action

Participate in rigorous social science research that will inspire public solutions to global questions.
What is ROCCA?

Our mission is to collaboratively produce high-quality international relations (IR) research on political violence and collective action problems.

Projects

https://lab.vanderbilt.edu/rocca/research-projects/
Check out current project descriptions to see what work the lab is currently working on!

Researchers

https://lab.vanderbilt.edu/rocca/people/
Meet our faculty, graduate, and undergraduate researchers!
Collaboration with Faculty Mentors

The lab is helmed by eight IR faculty mentors in the Department of Political Science, with Professor Andrew Coe serving as the Director of the Lab.

Faculty mentors lead a range of various IR projects and guide you through the research process.

There are weekly team meetings with mentors and your peers where you share progress updates and have discussions about the successes and struggles you have encountered throughout the research process.
Ways to be involved in the lab

If accepted, members can participate in the lab via three primary tracks

Research course
Enroll in PSCI-3895 (a 3 credit hour course) to participate in research skill development and professionalization workshops, alongside assignments and discussions centered around conducting team-based research and the research problems encountered along the way.
RECOMMENDED

Independent study
The course is preferred, but you can also enroll as a part of independent study and produce honor's thesis research

Paid research
Spots are limited, but there is the opportunity for pay thanks to funding from Immersion Vanderbilt.
Participating in the ROCCA Lab can serve as a means of fulfilling the Immersion Vanderbilt requirement.

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

Participation:
ROCCA Course

Research Teams:
1. Outreach Team
2. Reducing Prejudice toward Refugees

Time Required:
10 hours/week

Monday
Outreach team meeting:
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

Tuesday
Refugees team meeting:
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Wednesday
Own time:
Complete assignments for two research teams

Thursday
ROCCA Course:
9:35 am - 10:50 am

Friday
Own time:
Complete assignments for two research 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

Date: October 28, 2020
Time: 5 pm - 6pm CST
Zoom Link: Will be provided via email on the day of event

Register for the info session:

https://forms.gle/m7Mim8P443KLH1Rg6
How to Apply

Application Link
Coming soon

Due Date
TBD

Format
It is a quick application consisting of a few short answer questions, multiple-choice questions, an academic transcript, and a writing sample from previous work!
Contact us

For more information visit our website https://lab.vanderbilt.edu/rocca/ or email vanderbiltroccalab@gmail.com

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Please reach out with any questions or concerns you encounter along the way!