

Regan Smock

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EDUCATION

2028 (expected) Ph. D., Sociology, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
2024 M.A., Sociology, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
2022 B.S. Sociology, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

RESEARCH AREAS

Social Psychology; Cultural Sociology; Third-Order Beliefs; Cultural Directives; Cultural Consensus; Status Hierarchies; Social Construction

SCHOLARSHIP

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journals & Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

Smock, Regan and Freda B. Lynn. Forthcoming. "Are Third-Order Beliefs Widely Held? An Empirical Examination of Third-Order Consensus". *Advances in Group Processes*.

Smock, Regan, Yongren Shi, and Steven Hitlin. 2025. "Social Role Expectations and Power Distance in Everyday Moral Blame Judgments." *Handbook of Social Psychology: Vol. 1: Micro Perspective*. Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland.

Hitlin, Steven, and **Regan Smock**. 2025. "Social psychology and morality." *Handbook of Social Psychology*. Edward Elgar Publishing, 349-360.

Shi, Yongren, **Regan Smock**, and Steven Hitlin. 2025. "Moral disagreement in everyday life: An inductive framework for capturing 'moral order'." *Social science research*.

Under Review or In Progress

GRANTS

Fellowships

2025 Charles Mueller Summer Writing Fellowship, Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of Iowa. (\$2,500)

2023 Digital Scholarship and Publishing Studio Summer Fellowship. Graduate College, University of Iowa (\$5,000)

PRESENTATIONS

Refereed Presentations

“The Sharedness of Third-Order Beliefs”. *Group Processes Conference*. Session on Formal Models, Cognitive Mechanisms and Inference. Chicago, IL. August 2025.

“Affect Control Theory as a Measure of Moral Judgment” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Session on Mathematical and Computational Models and Methods in Social Psychology. Philadelphia, PA. August 2023.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Positions

2025 – 2026 Research Assistant, Department of Sociology & Criminology, University of Iowa
PI: Freda Lynn | *University of Iowa Office of the Provost Funded Grant*

Summer 2025 Research Assistant, Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Iowa
PI: Jun Wang | *National Science Foundation Funded Grant (Social Science Team)*

2022 – 2023 Research Assistant, Department of Sociology & Criminology, University of Iowa
PI: Yongren Shi | *National Science Foundation Funded Grant*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

2023 Fall SOC:2130 Sociological Theory

2024 Spring SOC:2160 Applied Statistics for Social Scientists

2024 Fall SOC:2130 Sociological Theory

2025 Spring SOC:6180 Linear Models in Sociological Research

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Summer Institute for Computational Social Science. Institute for Analytical Sociology, Linköping University. Norrköping, Sweden. June 2023.

SERVICE

2023 – 2026 *Vice President. Sociology and Criminology Graduate Student Association, University of Iowa.*

August 2025 *Presider.* “Self and Identity”. Roundtable Session, American Sociological Association Social Psychology and Emotions Sections. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois. August 10.

2023 – 2025 *Member.* New Graduate Student Orientation Committee. Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of Iowa.