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Vita highlights, full version available on request

Academic Positions

NICHD-NIH POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW IN SOCIAL ENVIRONMENTS AND POPULATION HEALTH

Population Research Institute, State College, PA Aug. 2020 - current
Pennsylvania State University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY (NON-TENURE TRACK)

Truman State University Kirksville, MO Aug. 2015 - Aug. 2018

SENIOR LECTURER / ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Univ. of Akron, Ohio State Univ., and Ashland Univ. Aug. 2014 - May 2020 (intermittent)

Education

2014 PH.D. RURAL SOCIOLOGY OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Presidential Fellow

Dissertation: *Theoretical Implications of the Amish-Mennonites*

2008 M.A. URBAN & REGIONAL PLANNING VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

H. Douglas Wilder School Fellow

Thesis: *Causative Factors of Crashes between a Motor Vehicle and the Amish and Old Order Mennonite Horse & Buggy*

2006 B.S. GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCE JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

URBAN & REGIONAL STUDIES
MUSIC

Areas of Interest

Theory, demography (population health, migration, fertility), ethnicity, religion, rural studies, culture, religious dress, social network analysis

Career Highlights

JOURNAL OF AMISH AND PLAIN ANABAPTIST STUDIES

Co-founder (2013) and **Editor-in-Chief** (2013-present)

Peer reviewed, two issues a year of ~60,000 words each, 18-member editorial board, open access at the University of Akron IdeaExchange (ideaexchange.uakron.edu/amishstudies)

AMISH AND PLAIN ANABAPTIST STUDIES ASSOCIATION

Founder (2017) and **Executive Director** (2018-present)

Annual conference (attendance ~60), service provider discussion group, member and non-member email lists, and website (amishstudies.org); around 100 dues-paying members; registered as a 501(c)3, with a board of directors and three subcommittees

PUBLICATIONS

34 peer reviewed publications in general venues (e.g. *Social Science & Medicine*, *Population Studies*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, *Rural Sociology*, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, *Review of Religious Research*, and *American Studies Journal*, among others) and area-specific venues (*J. of Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies*, *Mennonite Quarterly Review*, and others).

RESEARCH GRANTS

The U.S. Religion Census (\$23,350), Interdisciplinary Network on Rural Population Health and Aging (\$15,000), Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (x2), the Rural Sociological Society, the Religious Research Association, and the Mennonite Historical Society

Courses Designed

Introduction to Sociology^{†*}

Demography[†]

Sociology of Religion[†]

Rural Sociology (advanced)^{*}

Introduction to Rural Sociology^{*}

Technology and Human Values^{†*}

Dress and Self-Image[†]

Introduction to Geography[†]

Geographic Information Systems[†]

Amish History & Popular Culture^{*}

Amish Society & Culture[†]

[†]*Traditional classroom design*

^{*}*Web-based design*

Peer-Reviewed Research

MEDIA COVERAGE

New York Times, Associated Press, CCTV (China's "PBS"), NPR, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, St. Louis Today, Atlas Obscura, Elkhart Truth (Indiana), The Repository (Akron, OH), Daily Record (Wooster, OH), Courier Newsroom (Maine), Kennebec Journal (Maine), Press Herald (Maine), MinnPost (Minnesota), Owen Sound Sun Times (Ontario), Association of Religion Data Archives, Mennonite World Review. Many articles have been republished in regional and national news sources.

PUBLICATIONS

Note: (1) "JAPAS" is the Journal of Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies, which Anderson leads as editor and co-founder. (2) * Indicates undergraduate mentee as co-author.

- ANDERSON, CORY, and L. Potts*. "Physical Health Conditions of the Amish and Intervening Social Mechanisms: An Exhaustive Narrative Review." *Ethnicity & Health*. [Awaiting issue assignment]
- Wasao, S., CORY ANDERSON, and C. MPODY. "A Re-study of Parity among the Amish in the Greater Holmes County, Ohio Settlement." *Population Studies*. [Awaiting issue assignment]
- ANDERSON, CORY, and L. Potts*. "Research Trends in Amish Population Health, a Growing Literature about a Growing Rural Population." *Journal of Rural Social Sciences*. 36(1):Article 6.
- ANDERSON, CORY, and L. Potts*. 2020. "The Amish Health Culture and Culturally Sensitive Health Services: An Exhaustive Narrative Review." *Social Science & Medicine*. 265:113466.
- ANDERSON, CORY, and L. Decker*. 2020. "Evaluation and Revision of an Instrument Measuring Attitudes toward the Amish." *Journal of Applied Social Science*. 14(2):195-211.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2020. "Amish." *The Sage Encyclopedia for the Sociology of Religion*, edited by A. Possamai: Sage.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2020. "Anabaptist." *The Sage Encyclopedia for the Sociology of Religion*, edited by A. Possamai: Sage.
- ANDERSON, CORY and J. Anderson. 2020. "The 'Evangelization by Colonization' Movement and the Amish-Mennonite Migration to Costa Rica." *Mennonite Quarterly Review* 94(2):175-217.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2019. "Of Process, Practice, and Belief: What Can We Learn about Old Amish Church History and Polity from this Special Issue's Source Documents?" *JAPAS* 7(2):101-08.
- Note:** This special issue includes five articles Anderson co-authored; these articles, not individually listed here, are German-to-English translations of historic Amish documents.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2019. "Can a New Layer of Leadership Save Sectarian Practice? A Decentralized Denomination's Experiment with a Central Committee." *JAPAS* 7(1):54-99.
- ANDERSON, CORY, J. Donnermeyer, J. Longhofer, and S. Reschly. 2019. "A Critical Appraisal of Amish Studies' De Facto Paradigm, 'Negotiating with Modernity'." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 58(3):725-42.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2019. "Amish Language Research: A Review." In *Handbook of the Changing World Language Map*, edited by Stanley D. Brunn and Roland Kehrein. Springer International Publishing.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2018. "A Socio-Religious Introduction to the Apostolic Churches in North America." *JAPAS* 6(1):26-60.
- Colyer, C., CORY ANDERSON, R. Stein, J. Donnermeyer, and S. Wasao. 2017. "Reviving the Demographic Study of the Amish." *JAPAS* 5(1):96-119.
- ANDERSON, CORY, and J. Anderson. 2017. "Sanctifying Leisure: International Tourism among America's Amish-Mennonites." *American Studies Journal* 63(1):e1-e37.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2017. "The Undistinguished Scholar of the Amish, Werner Enninger, -or- Has the Time Yet Come for Rigorous Theory in Amish Studies?" *JAPAS* 5(2):196-238.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2017. "Seventy-Five Years of Amish Studies, 1942 to 2017: A Critical Review of Scholarship Trends (with an Extensive Bibliography)." *JAPAS* 5(1):1-65.
- ANDERSON, CORY. 2016. "Religious Seekers' Attraction to the Plain Mennonites and Amish." *Review of*

Religious Research 58(1):125-47.

ANDERSON, CORY, and J. Anderson. 2016. "The Amish Settlement in Honduras, 1968-1978: A (Half) Failed Attempt to Develop an Amish Understanding of Mission." *JAPAS* 4(1):1-50.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2016. "Religiously Motivated Migration." *The Sociological Quarterly* 57(3):387-414.

ANDERSON, CORY, and L. Kenda. 2015. "What Kinds of Places Attract and Sustain Amish Populations?" *Rural Sociology* 80(4):483-511.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2015. "Amish Education: A Synthesis." *JAPAS* 3(1):1-24.

Anderson, J., and CORY ANDERSON. 2014. "Conservative Mennonite Storybooks and the Construction of Evangelical Separatism." *JAPAS* 2(2):245-77.

Donnermeyer, J., and CORY ANDERSON. 2014. "The Growth of Amish and Plain Anabaptists in Kentucky." *JAPAS* 2(2):215-44.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2014. "Common Crash Scenarios between a Motor Vehicle and the Amish / Old Order Mennonite Horse and Buggy." *JAPAS* 2(1):79-99.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2014. "Overstretching the Slow-Moving Vehicle Emblem's Abilities: Lessons from the Swartzentruber Amish." *JAPAS* 2(1):100-15.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2014. "Low Illumination and the Sun's Glare in Crashes between Motor Vehicles and Amish / Old Order Mennonite Horse and Buggies." *JAPAS* 2(1):116-24.

Donnermeyer, J., CORY ANDERSON, and E. Cooksey. 2013. "The Amish Population: County Estimates and Settlement Patterns." *JAPAS* 1(1):72-109.

ANDERSON, CORY, and J. Donnermeyer. 2013. "Where Are the Plain Anabaptists?" *JAPAS* 1(1):1-25.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2013. "Who Are the Plain Anabaptists? What Are the Plain Anabaptists?" *JAPAS* 1(1):26-71.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2013. "An Evangelical Reorientation: The Contribution of Beachy Amish-Mennonite Mothers." Pp. 236-55 in *Mothering Mennonite*, edited by Rachel Epp Buller and Kerry Fast. Bradford, ON: Demeter Press.

ANDERSON, CORY. 2011. "Retracing the Blurred Boundaries of the Twentieth-Century 'Amish Mennonite' Identity." *Mennonite Quarterly Review* 85(3):361-412.

Anderson, Cory. 2011. "Congregation or Conference? The Development of Beachy Amish Polity and Identity." *Mennonite Historical Bulletin* 72(1):12-15.

Professional Memberships and Service

Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies Association

Board Member and Executive Director, January 2018 - Present [founder]

Religious Research Association

Program Chair for the Annual Conference, November 2021 - October 2023 [appointed]

Nominating Committee, January 2022 - December 2023 [elected]

Rural Sociological Society

Publications Committee, July 2017 - August 2021 [appointed]

Awards and Endowment Committee, August 2021 - July 2023 [appointed]

Population Association of America

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Invited Speaker

In the last 12 years, I was an invited speaker for 34 presentations in undergraduate classrooms and faculty forums at Ohio State University, Truman State University, the University of Missouri, and Kenyon College. A typical talk introduced social dimensions of the Amish, while specific talks addressed Amish health, food, dress, gender dynamics, folk culture, migration, safety, history, or subgroups.