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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. Princeton University, Sociology and Social Policy, 2013

Dissertation: “The Production and Consequences of Migrant Irregularity: Senegalese in France, Italy, and Spain”

Committee: Douglas Massey (co-chair), Alejandro Portes (co-chair), Cris Beauchemin

M.A. Princeton University, Sociology, 2010

General Examinations: Demography, International Migration and Development, Inequality

B.A. Wesleyan University, Sociology and American Studies, 1998, High Honors

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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International migration and development, immigrant integration, inequality, social policy, language use

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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Policy Analyst, International Migration Division, Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD), Paris April 2017-present

Research Fellow, IZA – Institute for the Study of Labor September 2014-present

Demographic Survey Statistician, U.S. Census Bureau, Suitland, MD October 2013-March 2017

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Book*

**Vickstrom, Erik R.** Forthcoming. *Pathways and Consequences of Legal Irregularity: Senegalese Migrants in France, Italy, And Spain*. IMISCOE Research Series, Springer.

### *Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles*

**Vickstrom, Erik R.** and Alejandro Portes. 2018. “Determinants of Psycho-Social Adaptation in the Spanish Second Generation: A Fixed-Effects Analysis.” *International Migration Review*.

**Vickstrom, Erik R.** and Cris Beauchemin. 2016. “Irregular Status, Territorial Confinement, and Blocked Transnationalism: Legal Constraints on Circulation and Remittances of Senegalese Migrants in France, Italy, and Spain.” *Comparative Migration Studies* 4(1): 1-29.

**Vickstrom, Erik R.** and Amparo González-Ferrer. 2016. “Legal Status, Gender, and Labor Market Participation of Senegalese Migrants in France, Italy, and Spain.” *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 666(1): 164–202.

**Vickstrom, Erik.** 2014. “Pathways into Irregular Status Among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” *International Migration Review* 48(4):1062–1099.

Portes, Alejandro, **Erik Vickstrom**, William J. Haller, and Rosa Aparicio. 2013. “Dreaming in Spain: parental determinants of immigrant children’s ambition.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 36(4):557–589.

Portes, Alejandro, Adrienne Celaya, **Erik Vickstrom**, and Rosa Aparicio. 2012. “Who are we? Parental influences on self-identities and self-esteem of second generation youths in Spain.” *Revista Internacional de Sociología* 70(1):9–37.

Portes, Alejandro, and **Erik Vickstrom**. 2011. “Diversity, Social Capital, and Cohesion.” *Annual Review of Sociology* 37(1):461-479.

Translated and reprinted as: Portes, Alejandro, and **Erik Vickstrom**. 2012. “Diversidad, capital social y cohesión.” *Revista Española de Sociología* (17):83–107.

Reprinted in: Vertovec, Steven (ed.). 2014. *Migration and Diversity*. Edward Elgar Publishing Limited.

Reprinted in: Dustmann, C. (ed.). 2015. *Migration: Economic Change, Social Challenge*. Oxford University Press, Oxford, pp. 161-186.

Reprinted in: E. Bribosia, A. Rea, I. Rorive, and D. Sredanovic. (ed.). 2018. *Governing diversity: Migrant integration and multiculturalism in North America and Europe*, Brussels: Les éditions de l’Université de Bruxelles, pp. 41–62.

Portes, Alejandro, **Erik Vickstrom**, and Rosa Aparicio. 2011. “Coming of age in Spain: the self-identification, beliefs and self-esteem of the second generation.” *The British Journal of Sociology* 62(3):387-417.

Translated and reprinted as: Portes, Alejandro, **Erik Vickstrom**, and Rosa Aparicio Gómez. 2013. “Hacerse adulto en España. Autoidentificación, creencias y autoestima de los hijos de inmigrantes.” *Papers. Revista de Sociologia* 98(2):227–261.

Portes, Alejandro, Rosa Aparicio, William Haller, and **Erik Vickstrom**. 2010. “Moving Ahead in Madrid: Aspirations and Expectations in the Spanish Second Generation.” *International Migration Review* 44(4):767–801.

Translated and reprinted as: Portes, Alejandro, Rosa Aparicio, William Haller, and **Erik Vickstrom**. 2011. “Progresar en Madrid: aspiraciones y expectativas de la segunda generación en España.” *Revista Española de Investigaciones Sociológicas* (134):55-85.

### ***Under Review***

**Vickstrom, Erik.** “Keeping Up with the Diallos? Household Wealth, Relative Deprivation, and Migration from Urban Senegal.” (revise and resubmit, *Demography*)

### ***Working Papers***

**Vickstrom, Erik R.,** Hyon Shin, Sonia Collazo, Kurt Bauman. 2015. “How Well—Still Good? Assessing the Validity of the American Community Survey’s English-Ability Question.” No. SEHSD-

WP2015-18, *Social, Economic, and Housing Statistics Division Working Paper Series*, U.S. Census Bureau, Suitland, MD. <http://www.census.gov/library/working-papers/2015/demo/SEHSD-WP2015-18.html>.

**Vickstrom, Erik R.** 2015. “Legal status, territorial confinement, and transnational activities of Senegalese migrants in France, Italy, and Spain”, No. 7, *Transnational Studies Initiative Working Paper Series, From Economic to Social Remittances: An International Overview*. Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. [http://seminars.wcfia.harvard.edu/files/tsi/files/7-vickstrom2015\\_tsiworkingpaper.pdf](http://seminars.wcfia.harvard.edu/files/tsi/files/7-vickstrom2015_tsiworkingpaper.pdf).

### ***Technical Reports***

**Vickstrom, Erik** (team leader and lead author), U.S Forest Service – International Programs, World Resources Institute. 2014. “Synergies of Nature, Wealth, and Power: Lessons From USAID Natural Resource Management Investments in Senegal.” United States Agency for International Development, Washington, D.C.

### ***Book Reviews***

**Vickstrom, Erik R.** 2015. “Emigration nations: policies and ideologies of emigrant engagement.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 38(8):1468–1471.

### ***Digital Academic Publications***

**Vickstrom, Erik.** 2015. “How Well Do You Speak English? Assessing the Validity of the American Community Survey’s English-Ability Question.” *U.S. Census Bureau Research Matters Blog*. Retrieved November 19, 2015 (<http://researchmatters.blogs.census.gov/2015/10/07/how-well-do-you-speak-english-assessing-the-validity-of-the-american-community-survey-english-ability-question/>)

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

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**Vickstrom, Erik.** “Complex Trajectories of Legal Status among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.”

### **PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS AND INVITED TALKS**

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“How Well—Still Good? Assessing the Validity of Self-Reported English Ability.” Conference on Cognition and Migration, University of Pennsylvania, 30 May 2017.

“Statut juridique, circulation, et pratiques transnationales des migrants sénégalais en Europe.” Cycle de conférences sur les migrations internationales, Centre interuniversitaire d’études québécoise, Université Laval, Québec, Canada, 24 November 2015.

“Valider la mesure des compétences linguistiques en anglais des populations des États-Unis.” Séminaire du Département de Démographie en collaboration avec le Centre interuniversitaire québécois de statistiques sociales (CIQSS), Université de Montréal, Canada, 20 November 2015.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Session on European Perspectives on Immigration and Policy, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, May 2015.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Session on Unauthorized and Irregular Immigration, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, May 2015.

“Limited English Proficiency and Food Stamp Receipt in the United States.” Economy, Labor Force, Education, and Inequality/Gender, Race and Ethnicity Poster Session, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, May 2, 2015.

“Legal Status, Gender, and Economic Integration of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Migration Meeting and 5<sup>th</sup> Migration Topic Week, IZA, Dakar, Senegal, April 2015.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Global Ethnosurvey Conference, Vanderbilt University, January 2015.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Workshop on Immaterial Remittances, Princeton University, September 2014.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” IZA Workshop on Informal Migration, Marrakech, April 2014.

“Legal Status, Gender, and Economic Integration of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Section on Sociology of Population Paper Session on International Migration and the Life Course, American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, New York, August 12, 2013.

“Pathways of Irregularity and Transnational Activities of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Notestein Seminar Series, Office of Population Research, Princeton University, Princeton, April 16, 2013.

“Legal Status and Economic Integration of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Migration Poster Session, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, New Orleans, April 13, 2013.

“Analyser les parcours d'irrégularité des migrants Sénégalais en Europe à partir de l'enquête MAFE : trajectoires spontanées ou pré-conçues? ” Analyses longitudinales : Démarches, outils, expériences, Journée scientifique de Pôle Suds, Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques, Paris, France, March 21, 2013.

“Pathways into and out of Irregularity among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Session on Patterns of Migration, Conference on Comparative and Multi-sited Approaches to International Migration, Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques, Paris, France, December 12-14, 2012.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Roundtable on Dilemmas of Documentation, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Denver, August 2012.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Session on Selection issues in Migration, European Population Conference (EAPS), Stockholm, June 2012.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Poster Session, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, May 2012.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Working Paper Series, Center for Migration and Development, Princeton University, February 2012.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Indaba African Studies Workshop, Princeton University, February 2012.

Discussant, Session on International Migration and Human Capital, African Population Conference (UAPS), Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, December 2011

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Session on Immigration policies and migrants' strategies, African Population Conference (UAPS), Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, December 2011.

Discussant, Session on Determinants of Migration, MAFE Steering Committee Meeting, Barcelona, November 2011.

“Complex Trajectories of Legal Status of Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” MAFE Steering Committee Meeting, Barcelona, November 2011.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, August 2011.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Poster Session, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2011.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism: Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Eastern Sociological Society (ESS) Annual Meeting, Panel on Intersectional Effects of Race, Gender, Legal Status and Citizenship on the Lives of Transnational Migrants, Philadelphia, February 2011.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism: Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Institut National d’Études Démographiques (INED), Séminaire Scientifique, Paris, October 2010.

“Legal Status and Transnationalism: Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Session on Transnational relations between origin and destination, European Population Conference (EAPS), Vienna, September 2010.

“Keeping up with the Diallos: Relative Deprivation and Migration between Senegal and Europe.” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2010.

“Legal Status, Transnationalism and Integration among Senegalese Migrants in Europe.” Center for Migration and Development (CMD) Working Paper Series, Princeton University, May 2010.

“Keeping up with the Diallos: Relative Deprivation and Migration between Senegal and Europe.” Poster Session, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, Dallas, April 2010.

“Keeping up with the Diallos: Household Wealth, Relative Deprivation and Migration between Senegal and Europe.” ESS Annual Meeting, Panel on International Migration in Global Perspective, Boston, March 2010.

“Organizations and Global Warming: A Response to Charles Perrow.” Economics-Sociology Workshop, Department of Sociology, Princeton University, October 2009

“Rethinking the Middle-Class in the United States: Responses to Katherine Newman and Hilary Levey.” Global Network on Inequality Conference on the Global Middle Class, April 2009.

“Keeping up with the Diallos: Household Wealth, Relative Deprivation and Migration between Senegal and Europe.” Institut National d’Études Démographiques (INED), Séminaire Scientifique, Paris, July 2009.

“Keeping up with the Diallos: Household Wealth, Relative Deprivation and Migration between Senegal and Europe.” Observatoire Sociologique du Changement, Sciences-Po, Séminaire Scientifique, Paris, June 2009.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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2015 IMISCOE – Maria Ionnis Baganha Dissertation Award

1998 Phi Beta Kappa, Wesleyan University

- 1998 Hallowell Prize for Outstanding Student in the Social Sciences, Wesleyan University
- 1998 Butterfield Prize for Commitment to the University Community, Wesleyan University
- 1998 Roura-Parella Prize for Intellectual Curiosity, Wesleyan University

**FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

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- 2012-2013 Dissertation Fellowship, Institut National d'Études Démographiques, Paris, France
- 2012 Visiting Researcher Grant, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madrid, Spain
- 2012 Summer Research Grant, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University (\$2,100)
- 2012 Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni/ae (APGA) Summer Travel Grant (\$600)
- 2011-2012 Fulbright IIE-Mellon Graduate Fellowship for International Study in Senegal (declined)
- 2009-2012 National Institutes for Health (NIH) Graduate Traineeship in Demography, Office of Population Research, Princeton University
- 2011 Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni/ae (APGA) Summer Travel Grant (\$600)
- 2011 Dissertation Improvement Grant, Department of Sociology, Princeton University (\$1,000)
- 2010 Visiting Researcher Grant, Institut National d'Études Démographiques, Paris, France (€3,600)
- 2010 Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Office of Population Research, Princeton University: France and Senegal (\$4,500)
- 2010 Research Grant (France and Senegal), Joint Degree Program in Social Policy, Princeton University (\$300)
- 2010 Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, Princeton University (\$600)
- 2010 Student Travel Grant, Office of Population Research, Princeton University (\$600)
- 2010 Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni/ae (APGA) Summer Travel Grant (\$600)
- 2008-2009 Graduate Fellowship, Doctoral Program in Sociology and Social Policy, Princeton University
- 2009 Global Network on Inequality Visiting Fellowship to Observatoire Sociologique du Changement, Sciences-Po and Institut National d'Études Démographiques, Paris, France; Princeton University
- 2008 Language Study Grant: Wolof and Pular (Senegal), Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, (\$3,000)
- 2007-2008 Graduate Fellowship, Department of Sociology and Office of Population Research, Princeton University

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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- 2012-2013 Graduate research assistant to Devah Pager, Department of Sociology, Princeton University

- Project: Structural equation modeling of job searching
- 2011-2012 Graduate research assistant to Robert Wuthnow, Department of Sociology, Princeton University
- Project: Immigrant Concentration in Small Towns in the United States
- 2008-2010 Graduate research assistant to Alejandro Portes, Center for Migration and Development and Department of Sociology, Princeton University
- Project: Longitudinal Study of the Spanish Second Generation (ILSEG)
- 2008 Visiting Researcher, Institut de population, développement, et santé de la reproduction, Université Cheikh Anta Diop and Institut de recherche pour le développement (IRD), Dakar, Senegal
- Project: Migration between Africa and Europe (MAFE)
- 1998-2000 Senior Research Assistant to Jacquelyn James, Murray Research Center, Harvard University
- Project: The Meaning and Experience of Work in Women's Lives
- 1995-1997 Research assistant to Joyce Jacobsen, Department of Economics, Wesleyan University
- Project: The Impact of Women and Non-Economists on the Diversity of Research in Industrial Relations and Labor Economics

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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- 2017 Instructor, Workshop on Demographic Analysis and Population Projections, U.S. Census Bureau International Programs and Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública, Cuernavaca, Mexico
- 2016 Instructor, Workshop on Demographic Analysis and Population Projections, U.S. Census Bureau International Programs and United Nations Population Fund, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2016 Instructor, Workshop on Demographic Analysis and Population Projections, U.S. Census Bureau International Programs and United Nations Population Fund, Montego Bay, Jamaica
- 2016 Instructor, Workshop on Demographic Analysis and Population Projections, U.S. Census Bureau International Programs and University of Philippines Population Institute, Manila, Philippines
- 2015 Instructor, Workshop on Census Data Dissemination, U.S. Census Bureau International Programs and United Nations Population Fund, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2009 Preceptor, Sociology 301: Sociological Research Methods (Quantitative), Princeton University, Professor Scott Lynch
- 2008 Preceptor, Sociology 101: The Sociological Perspective, Princeton University, Professors Mitch Duneier and Devah Pager
- 1998 Writing Tutor and Teaching Assistant, Sociology 151: Introduction to Sociology, Wesleyan University, Professor Sue Fisher

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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### Manuscript Reviewer

*Ethnic and Racial Studies, Urban Studies, American Journal of Sociology, AMBIO: A Journal of the Human Environment, Global Networks, American Sociological Review, Social Forces, Social Problems, IZA Journal of Migration, International Journal of Comparative Sociology, Acta Sociologica, Sociological Forum, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, European Journal of Population, Demographic Research, International Migration Review*

### Conference Session Organizer

Sessions on “Immigration, Assimilation, and Integration,” “Immigration and Linguistic Integration,” and “Immigration and Education,” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, 2016

### University Service

- 2009- Member and Secretary, Chair of Programs Committee, Board of Directors, Princeton in Africa, Princeton University
- 2009 Principal organizer, “Graduate Student Works in Progress” Seminar Series, Department of Sociology and Office of Population Research, Princeton University
- 2008-2010 Graduate Student Fellow, Mathey College, Princeton University
- 2008-2009 Cohort Representative, Graduate Student Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology, Princeton University
- 2007-2008 Co-organizer, Inter-Ivy Sociology Symposium, Department of Sociology, Princeton University
- 1997-1998 Senior Interviewer, Office of Admissions, Wesleyan University
- 1997-1998 Chair, Student Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology, Wesleyan University
- 1997-1998 Student Representative, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Wesleyan University
- 1997-1998 Student Representative, Campus Planning Committee, Wesleyan University
- 1997 Coordinator, New Student Orientation, Office of the Dean of the College, Wesleyan University
- 1996-1997 Resident Advisor, Office of Residential Life, Wesleyan University
- 1996-1997 Member, Student Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology, Wesleyan University
- 1996-1997 Student Representative, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Wesleyan University

### Consulting

- 2012-2013 Team Leader, Senegal Nature/Wealth/Power Retrospective Study, US Forest Service - International Programs



## **Past Employment**

- 2006-2007 Project Associate, Famine Early Warning System Network (FEWS NET), United States Agency for International Development/Chemonics International, Washington, D.C.
- 2003-2005 Assistant Director, Baobab Training and Resource Center, Africa Consultants International, Dakar, Senegal
- 2003-2005 Editor-in-Chief, *Yëgóo Magazine*, Africa Consultants International, Dakar, Senegal
- 2002-2003 Vocational English Teacher, International Rescue Committee (IRC), Worcester, MA
- 2000-2002 Teacher, English as a Foreign Language, Peace Corps, Dinguiraye, Guinea
- 1998-2000 Senior Research Assistant, Henry A. Murray Research Center, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University

## **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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- 2008- American Sociological Association (ASA)
- 2008- Population Association of America (PAA)
- 2010- Eastern Sociological Society (ESS)
- 2010- European Association for Population Studies (EAPS)

## **LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

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English (Native), French (Fluent), Pular (Advanced), Wolof (Advanced), Spanish (Intermediate)

## **REFERENCES**

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