

CHRISTOPHER G. YUST

Associate Professor of Accounting

CONTACT

Email: cyust@mays.tamu.edu
Phone: (979) 845-3439
Office: 449H Wehner
Address: Texas A&M University
4353 TAMU
College Station, TX 77843
Website: www.christopheryust.com

EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin | 2010 – 2015

Ph.D. in Accounting

Supporting Fields: Financial Economics &
Statistics

Texas A&M University | 2002 – 2007

M.S. in Finance

B.B.A. in Accounting

Minor in Psychology

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Texas A&M University

Mays Business School

James Benjamin Department of
Accounting

Associate Professor | 2021 – Present
(with tenure)

- Deloitte Foundation Leadership Professorship (2021 – Present)
- Andersen Students Professorship in Accounting (2023 – Present)

Assistant Professor | 2015 – 2021

The University of Texas at Austin

McCombs School of Business

Department of Accounting

Assistant Instructor | Summer 2013

RESEARCH

Published and Accepted Papers (in reverse chronological order)

Note: Authors are listed alphabetically in this discipline

* Indicates the paper was started with a Ph.D. student; ‡ Indicates the paper was started with an assistant professor

1. “No Comment’: Language Frictions and the IASB’s Due Process” with Eduardo Flores, Brian Monsen, and Emily Shafron. *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Vol. 42 (1), pp. 446–489, Spring 2025.[‡]
 - Presented at California State University at Fullerton, Claremont McKenna College, Oklahoma State University, Ohio State University, Rutgers University, Texas A&M University, the University of Georgia, the University of Mississippi, the University of Wisconsin, the 2022 BYU Accounting Research Symposium, the 2022 University of São Paulo International Conference in Accounting, the 2023 Getulio Vargas Foundation, the 2023 Hawaii Accounting Research Conference, the 2023 American Accounting Association (AAA) International Accounting Section (IAS) Midyear Meeting, and the 2023 AAA Annual Meeting
 - Featured [here](#) on the CLS Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets
 - AAA Public Interest Best Paper Award for the 2023 IAS Midyear Meeting
2. “Current Issues Faced by Controllers” with Anthony Bucaro and Jeff Wilks. *Accounting Horizons*, Vol. 38 (4), pp. 31–49, December 2024.[‡]
 - Featured in a panel discussion at the 2024 AAA Annual Meeting
 - Selected by the AAA to create a practitioner-oriented summary to include in the new AAA Impact Hub
 - Featured in part [here](#) on Bloomberg Tax
 - Discussed in part in a virtual Deloitte panel discussion for CPE with over 5,700 attendees

3. “The Effect of Securities Litigation Risk on Firm Value and Disclosure” with Dain Donelson, Christian Hutzler, and Brian Monsen. *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Vol. 41 (3), pp.1785–1818, Fall 2024.^{*, ‡}
 - Presented at Ohio State University, the University of Iowa, and the 2021 BYU Accounting Research Symposium
4. “Getting Back to the Source: A New Approach to Measuring Ex Ante Litigation Risk using Plaintiff-Lawyer Views of SEC Filings” with Antonis Kartapanis. *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, Vol. 59 (3), pp. 1213–1256, May 2024.[‡]
 - Featured [here](#) on Columbia Law School’s (CLS) Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets
5. “The Effect of Shareholder Scrutiny on Corporate Tax Behavior: Evidence from Shareholder Tax Litigation” with Dain Donelson, Jennifer Glenn, and Sean McGuire. *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Vol. 41 (1), pp. 163–194, Spring 2024.^{*}
 - Presented at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the 2021 AAA American Taxation Association (ATA) Midyear Meeting, and the 14th Annual University of Toronto Rotman Accounting Research Conference.
 - Featured [here](#) on Duke Law School’s The FinReg Blog on the Global Financial Markets
6. “The Merits of Securities Litigation and Corporate Reputation” with Dain Donelson and Antonis Kartapanis. *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Vol. 41 (1), pp. 424–458, Spring 2024.[‡]
 - Presented at Michigan State, the 2023 Penn State Accounting Conference, and the Texas A&M Capital Markets Reading Group
 - Featured [here](#) on Columbia Law School’s (CLS) Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets
7. “Are Public Health Policies Associated with Corporate Innovation? Evidence from U.S. Nonsmoking Laws” with Brant Christensen and Adam Olson. *Research Policy*, Vol. 52 (1), pp. 1–22, December 2023.[‡]
 - Featured [here](#) on Duke Law School’s The FinReg Blog on the Global Financial Markets, Mirage News ([here](#)), phys.org ([here](#)), and UC News ([here](#))
8. “Spillover Effects in Disclosure-Related Securities Litigation” with Dain Donelson and Rachel Flam. *The Accounting Review*, Vol. 97 (5), pp. 275–299, September 2022.^{*}
 - Presented at Texas A&M University, Florida International University, and the 2020 AAA Annual Meeting
 - Featured [here](#) on Duke Law School’s The FinReg Blog on the Global Financial Markets
9. “The Effects of Independent Director Litigation Risk” with Dain Donelson and Elizabeth Tori. *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Vol. 39 (2), pp. 982–1022, Summer 2022.^{*}
 - Presented at the 2019 Yale University Summer Accounting Conference, the University of Texas at Dallas, the University of Iowa, the 2020 AAA Financial Accounting and Reporting Section (FARS) Midyear Meeting, and the 2020 Lone Star Conference
 - Featured [here](#) on the CLS Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets
10. “Is Tax Aggressiveness Associated with Tax Litigation Risk? Evidence from D&O Insurance” with Dain Donelson and Jennifer Glenn. *Review of Accounting Studies*, Vol. 27, pp. 519–569, June 2022.^{*}
 - Presented at Texas A&M University and the 2017 AAA Annual Meeting

11. “Are All Activists Created Equal? The Effect of Interventions by Hedge Funds and Other Private Activists on Long-term Shareholder Value” with Ed Swanson and Glen Young. *Journal of Corporate Finance*, Vol. 72, pp. 1–33, February 2022.*
 - Presented at Texas A&M University; the 2016 AAA Annual Meeting; the 2016 George Mason Conference on Investor Protection, Corporate Governance, and Fraud Protection; the 2017 University of Technology Sydney Australian Summer Accounting Conference; and the 2018 AAA FARS Midyear Meeting
 - Featured [here](#) on Barron’s and [here](#) on the CLS Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets
 - Cited in multiple comment letters on proposed SEC rules (e.g., see [Elliot Investment Management](#), [Rice Management](#), [85 law, and finance professors](#)), as well as our [letter](#)
12. “U.S. Evidence from D&O Insurance on Accounting-Related Agency Costs: Implications for Country-Specific Studies” with Dain Donelson and Brian Monsen. *Journal of Financial Reporting*, Vol. 6 (2), pp. 63–87, Fall 2021.*
 - Presented at the 2018 Law and Social Science Conference and the 2019 AAA FARS Midyear Meeting
13. “Measuring Accounting Fraud and Irregularities Using Public and Private Enforcement” with Dain Donelson, Antonis Kartapanis, and John McInnis. *The Accounting Review*, Vol. 96 (6), pp. 183–213, November 2021.*
 - Presented at the University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M University, and the University of Rochester
 - Featured [here](#) on Harvard Law School’s Forum on Corporate Governance
 - Featured [here](#) for continuing professional education (CPE) by CalCPA
14. “Does Media Coverage Cause Meritorious Shareholder Litigation? Evidence from the Stock Option Backdating Scandal” with Dain Donelson and Antonis Kartapanis. *Journal of Law & Economics*, Vol. 64 (3), pp. 567–601, August 2021.*
 - Presented at the 2018 AAA Annual Meeting
 - Featured [here](#) on Harvard Law School’s Forum on Corporate Governance and at the University of Iowa’s College of Business News ([here](#)) and Iowa Ledger ([here](#))
15. “Internal Control Quality and Bank Risk-Taking and Performance” with Matthew Baugh and Matthew Ege. *AUDITING: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, Vol. 40 (2), pp. 49–84, May 2021.‡
 - Presented at the 2017 Arizona State University/University of Arizona Joint Accounting Conference, the 2018 AAA Audit Midyear, and the 2018 Lone Star Conference
16. “Insurers and Lenders as Monitors during Securities Litigation: Evidence from D&O Insurance Premiums, Interest Rates and Litigation Costs” with Dain Donelson. *Journal of Risk and Insurance*, Vol. 86 (3), pp. 663–696, September 2019.
17. “Tainted Portfolios: How Impairment Accounting Rules Restrict Security Sales” with Brett Cantrell. *Journal of Business Finance and Accounting*, Vol. 46 (5-6), pp. 608–635, June 2019.‡
 - Presented at the 2016 AAA FARS Midyear Meeting and the University of Mississippi
18. “Déjà vu: The Effect of Executives and Directors with Prior Banking Crisis Experience on Bank Outcomes around the Global Financial Crisis” with Anwer Ahmed, Brant Christensen, and Adam Olson. *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Vol. 36 (2), pp. 958–998, Summer 2019.*
 - Presented at Texas A&M University, the 2016 AAA Annual Meeting, and the 2017 Lone Star Conference
 - Featured [here](#) on the CLS Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets

19. “Does Fair Value Accounting Provide More Useful Financial Statements than Current GAAP for Banks?” with John McInnis and Yong Yu. *The Accounting Review*, Vol. 93 (6), pp. 257–279, November 2018.[‡]
 - Presented at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, National Taiwan University, National University of Singapore, Texas A&M University, University of Hong Kong, and the University of Texas at Austin
20. “The Cost of Disclosure Regulation: Evidence from D&O Insurance and Non-Meritorious Securities Litigation” with Dain Donelson and Justin Hopkins. *Review of Accounting Studies*, Vol. 23 (2), pp. 528–588, June 2018.[‡]
 - Presented at the University of Chicago, the University of Connecticut, Georgetown University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Virginia, and the 2015 AAA Annual Meeting
 - Featured [here](#) on the CLS Blue Sky Blog on Corporations and Capital Markets
21. “The Relation between Religiosity and Private Banks” with Brett Cantrell. *Journal of Banking & Finance*, Vol. 91 (1), pp. 86–105, June 2018.[‡]
22. “The Role of D&O Insurance in Securities Fraud Class Action Settlements” with Dain Donelson and Justin Hopkins. *Journal of Law & Economics*, Vol. 58 (4), pp 747–778, November 2015 (*lead article*).[‡]
23. “Litigation Risk and Agency Costs: Evidence from Nevada Corporate Law” with Dain Donelson. *Journal of Law & Economics*, Vol. 57 (3), pp 747–780, August 2014.[‡]
 - Presented at the University of Texas at Austin, the 2013 AAA Annual Meeting, the 2013 American Law and Economics Association (ALEA) Conference, and the 2013 Donald H. Harrington Fellows Symposium
 - Featured [here](#) on Securities Law Prof Blog
24. “Predicting Credit Losses: Loan Fair Values Versus Historical Costs” with Brett Cantrell and John McInnis. *The Accounting Review*, Vol. 89 (1), pp 147–176, January 2014.^{*}
 - Presented at Cornell University, Oklahoma State University, the 2012 AAA Annual Meeting, the 2012 AAA FARS Midyear Meeting, and the 2012 Lone Star Conference

Select Working Papers

1. “The Media’s Role in Market Reactions to Securities Class Action Filings” with Dain Donelson and Antonis Kartapanis
 - Presented at Ohio State University, the 2023 UCLA Accounting Conference, and Temple University
2. “Do Words Matter? Linguistic Characteristics of IFRS and Accounting Quality” with John Schomburger and Emily Shafron^{*}
 - Presented at the 2022 AAA IAS Midyear Meeting, the 2022 AAA Annual Meeting, the 2022 Rice/Texas A&M University Junior Accounting Faculty Workshop, the 2024 AAA IAS Midyear Meeting
3. “Do Controlled Companies Provide Directorships of Last Resort? Independent Directorships with Less Power and More Risk” with Dain Donelson and Jennifer Glenn^{*}
 - Presented at Kent State University, Ohio State University, the University of Oklahoma, the 2018 Texas A&M Accounting Former Doctoral Students (AFDS) Conference, and the 2019 AAA FARS Midyear Meeting
4. “Is Corporate Officer Litigation Risk Beneficial or Detrimental?” with Dain Donelson and Chungyool Kim^{*}

5. “The Effect of the Financial Accounting Foundation on FASB Due Process” with Brian Monsen and Aaron Roeschley*
 - Presented at the Texas A&M University, Ohio State University, the University of Denver, the University of Notre Dame, the University of Illinois, and the University of Mississippi
6. “Disclosure Management: Evidence from Regulatory Threshold Avoidance” with Dain Donelson, Christian Hutzler, and Brian Monsen
 - Presented at Baruch College and Deakin University
7. “When Insurers Talk: How Mandatory D&O Insurance Disclosure Shapes Corporate Communications and Litigation” with Dain Donelson and Nargess Golshan
8. “Courts and Capital: Exploring the Financial Implications of Plaintiff Lawyer Investigation Announcements” with Antonis Kartapanis and Sarah Rice

TEACHING

Mean total students, mean GPAs, and mean (median) student ratings are weighted over time

‡ Team-taught with Dr. Anwer Ahmed

Ratings do not include Fall 2020 because a technical glitch prevented the overall ratings from being collected

Texas A&M University

Accounting Information & Financial Markets, *Ph.D. Students* | Spring Semesters 2018 – 2023, 2025‡

- Students: 3; Course GPA: 3.1 (out of 4.0)
- Effective Instructor – 4.9 (5.0) (out of 5.0)

Development of Accounting Thought, *Masters Students* | Fall Semesters 2017 – 2024‡#

- Students: 99; Course GPA: 3.3
- Effective Instructor – 4.8 (5.0)

Intermediate Accounting I, *Upper-Level Undergraduates* | Spring Semesters 2016 – 2017

- Students: 121; Course GPA: 2.7
- Effective Instructor – 4.7 (5.0)

University of Texas

Fundamentals of Financial Accounting, *Lower-Level Undergraduates* | Summer 2013

- Students: 51; Course GPA: 2.9
- Overall Instructor Rating – 4.8 (5.0)

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- University of Connecticut | 2025 (planned)
- Egyptian Online Seminars in Business, Accounting and Economics | 2025 (*virtual*, planned)
- Deakin University | 2025 (*virtual*)
- University of Wisconsin at Madison | 2023
- Temple University | 2023
- Ohio State University | 2023
- Hawaii Accounting Research Conference | 2023
- The University of Mississippi | 2022
- USP International Conference in Accounting | 2022 (São Paulo, Brazil, *virtual*)

- Oklahoma State University | 2022
- The University of Denver | 2020
- AAA FARS Midyear Meeting | 2015 (Nashville, TN) and 2019 (Seattle, OR)
- Texas A&M University | 2014, 2015 (2 times), 2016, 2017, and 2019
- The University of Oklahoma | 2018
- Law and Social Science Conference | 2018 (Texas A&M Law School, Fort Worth, TX)
- Lone Star Conference | 2017 (UT Arlington, TX) and 2018 (TCU, Fort Worth, TX)
- AAA Annual Meeting | 2012 (Washington, D.C.) and 2016 (New York, NY)
- Pennsylvania State University | 2015
- University of Notre Dame | 2015
- The University of Texas at Dallas | 2015
- Indiana University | 2015
- University of California at Berkeley | 2015
- The University of Colorado at Boulder | 2015
- The University of Rochester | 2015
- Ph.D. Rookie Recruiting and Research Camp | 2015 (Miami, FL)
- The University of Texas at Austin | 2011, 2012, 2013 (2 times), and 2014
- Donald D. Harrington Fellows Symposium | 2013 (Amarillo, TX)

RESEARCH CONFERENCES ATTENDED OR PAPER ACCEPTANCES

- Hawaii Accounting Research Conference | 2023 (accepted paper)
- USP International Conference in Accounting | 2022 (accepted paper)
- AAA IAS Midyear Meeting | 2022 – 2023 (accepted paper)
- BYU Accounting Symposium | 2021 – 2022 (accepted paper)
- Financial Markets and Corporate Governance Conference | 2021 (accepted paper)
- AAA ATA Midyear Meeting | 2021 (accepted paper)
- *Review of Accounting Studies* Conference | 2021
- *Contemporary Accounting Research* Conference | 2020 – 2022
- AAA Annual Meeting | 2012 – 2023 (accepted paper(s) yearly except 2014 and 2019)
- Tulane Accounting Conference | 2020
- Lonestar Conference | 2013, 2017 – 2023
- AAA FARS Midyear Meeting | 2012 – 2013, 2015 – 2016, 2019 – 2020, and 2023 (accepted paper(s) each year except 2013)
- Workshop on Financial Institutions Research | 2019 – 2020
- Texas A&M AFDS Conference | 2015 and 2018 (accepted paper)
- AAA Auditing Midyear Meeting | 2018 (accepted paper)
- Law and Social Science Conference | 2018 (invited paper)
- Bauer Accounting Research Symposium | 2018
- Ph.D. Rookie Recruiting and Research Camp | 2014
- Taxation in a Global Economy | 2014
- NASD OMX Conference on Capital Markets | 2014
- *Journal of Accounting and Economics* Conference | 2013
- ALEA Annual Meeting | 2013 (accepted paper)
- Donald D. Harrington Fellows Symposium | 2013 (invited paper)

- The University of Texas Accounting Ph.D. Reunion Research Conference | 2012
- Analytical Research in Accounting | 2012
- Investment Company Institute/AIM Investment Academic & Practitioner Conference | 2011
- Empirical Archival Research in Accounting | 2011

PROFESSIONAL, TEACHING, AND OTHER CONFERENCES OR MEETINGS ATTENDED

- PricewaterhouseCoopers Accounting and Tax Symposium | 2016, 2017, 2020, 2024
- Financial Accounting Standards Board Update for Accounting Educators | 2020, 2022, 2024
- Texas A&M Center for Teaching Effectiveness - Supporting Neurodivergent Students | 2023
- Financial Accounting Standards Board 50th Anniversary Alumni Conference | 2023
- Council for Aid to Education - Teaching Critical Thinking: A Framework for Students | 2023
- Deloitte Center for Controllershship Advisory Group Meeting/Summit | 2018 – 2021
- Texas A&M Center for Teaching Effectiveness - Supporting Student Mental Health to Increase Academic Success | 2020
- Financial Accounting Standards Board Financial Reporting Issues Conference | 2019 – 2020
- Texas A&M Center for Teaching Effectiveness - Small Teaching | 2019
- Deloitte Foundation/ FSA Faculty Consortium | 2018
- Deloitte's Trueblood Seminar for Professors | 2016 – 2017
- EYARC Colloquium | 2016
- New Faculty Consortium | 2016
- 42nd AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium | 2013
- XBRL US National Conference | 2012

DEPARTMENT SERVICE—PH.D. STUDENT MENTORING AND SUPERVISION

Dissertation Committees (initial placements, year)

- Danny Gillespie (Current Student), Co-Chair
- John Schomburger (Oklahoma State University and the FASB postdoctoral fellowship, 2024), Member
- Sarah Noor (Indiana University at Indianapolis, 2023), Member
- Jennifer Glenn (Ohio State University, 2020), Member
- Megan Grady (California State University, Fullerton 2020), Member

Research Assistant Supervision

- Danny Gillespie (2024 – Present), Stephanie Chen (2023 – 2024), John Schomburger (2020 – 2023), Sarah Noor (2018 – 2020), Todd Niemann (2017 – 2018), and Jennifer Glenn (2015 – 2017)

DEPARTMENT SERVICE—OTHER

Accounting Ph.D. Advisory Committee, Member | 2015 – Present

- Identify, recruit, mentor, and develop Ph.D. students
- Draft and grade questions for comprehensive exams
- Supervise summer papers (2016, 2019 – 2022, 2024 – 2025)

Financial Accounting Standards Board and Governmental Accounting Standards Board
Postgraduate Technical Assistant Program, Nomination Coordinator | 2016 – Present

- Identify top students and assist them in their applications for the program
- 25 nominees received interviews; 11 were awarded positions

Promotion and Tenure Committee, Member | 2021 – Present

- Review Assistant Professors' annual performance, mid-term reviews, and promotions to Associate Professor

Professional Program in Accounting Consulting Track, Faculty Coordinator | 2022 – 2024

- Assist in the design of the initial track curriculum and student marketing and recruitment

Financial Executives International Accounting Policy Manager Program, Nomination Coordinator
| 2021 – 2023

- Identify top students and assist them in their applications for the program
- One nominee was awarded a position

New Student Conference Recruiting, Member | 2021 – 2023

- Speak at multiple New Student Conferences with incoming business freshman and their parents
- Discuss the department and answer questions to help recruit incoming students into the accounting major

Lone Star Conference, Co-coordinator | 2021 – 2022

- Coordinate a fully virtual, two-day conference each year
- The conferences consisted of 8 presentations by faculty, 6 presentations by Ph.D. students, and over 100 participants from 12 different Texas universities

Curriculum Committee, Co-coordinator | 2021

- Co-organized a committee of eight professors designed to propose ways to enhance the department curriculum
- Created a six-page deliverable with ten specific recommendations related to *how* and *what* we teach to address potential deficiencies identified in our existing curriculum

Becker CPA Review | 2019

- Assisted in the course material development and taught a session on derivatives to supplement the official Becker course materials

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Mays Teaching Council | 2023 – Present

- Select recipients and nominees for various college-level and university-level teaching excellence awards
- Serve as the sole tenure/tenure-track accounting faculty member on the committee

Montague-CTE Scholar Selection Committee | 2023 – Present

- Review university-wide nominations and select the Montague-CTE scholar recipients
- Serve as the sole Mays Business School faculty member on the committee

Student Organization Involvement | 2016 – Present

- Faculty Advisor, Texas A&M Consulting Group (TACG) | 2017 – 2023
- Meeting Presentations: Aggie Women in Business, Christian Business Leaders, and TACG | Various times

Aggies in Consulting Task Force | 2024 – 2024

- Research a potential new high-impact Mays program and help develop the initial proposal

Mays Assistant Professor Mentoring Task Force Committee Chair | 2020

- Coordinated a cross-department committee consisting of five professors
- Created a nine-page deliverable that outlined the goals of the new mentoring program, stated the process by which mentors would be selected and the mentorship would occur, and provided best practices in mentoring

Business Honors Involvement | 2015, 2019

- Facilitated case discussions and met with prospective students and their parents | 2019
- Discuss academic research with current students | 2015

Mays Transformational Leadership Academy (MTLA) | 2019

- Taught an accounting class to incoming high school seniors from underrepresented groups to assist in their development of a group-project business plan

PROFESSION SERVICE

Journal Ad Hoc Reviewer | 2015 – Present

- Accounting: *The Accounting Review*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Review of Accounting Studies*, *AUDITING: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, *Journal of International Accounting Research*, *Accounting Horizons*, *Journal of Business Finance & Accounting*, and *Journal of Accounting and Public Policy*
- Finance: *The Financial Review*, *Journal of Corporate Finance*, and *Journal of Banking & Finance*
- Economics: *Journal of Law & Economics* and *American Law and Economics Review*
- Interdisciplinary: *Management Science*

Conference Ad Hoc Reviewer | 2012 – Present

- AAA Annual Meeting, AAA FARS Midyear Meeting, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference, and the Texas A&M AFDS Conference

AAA Service | 2013 – Present

- AAA Meeting Discussant | 2021
- AAA Track Chair | 2020 and 2023
- FARS Midyear Meeting Discussant | 2013 and 2019
- FARS Faculty Scholarship Committee | 2017
- AAA Trueblood Seminars Planning Committee | 2017

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Certified Public Accountant (CPA License #091985), Texas | 2009 – Present
- Member, American Accounting Association | 2010 – Present
- Member, American Risk & Insurance Association | 2015 – 2019
- Member, American Law and Economics Association | 2013 – 2014

PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING EXPERIENCE

Deloitte Center for Controllership, Westlake, TX | May 2018 – 2025

Advisory Group

- Interact with CAOs and Controllers from Fortune 500 and other companies
- Participated in a virtual panel discussion for CPE, Accountant 2.0: Diversifying capabilities for a modernized role, with over 5,700 attendees

PricewaterhouseCoopers, New York, NY | Jan. 2009 – May 2010

Senior Associate: Advisory

Financial Accounting Standards Board, Norwalk, CT | Dec. 2007 – Jan. 2009

Postgraduate Technical Assistant

Internships

- **KPMG** (Advisory), New York, NY | July 2007 – Nov. 2007
- **McGladrey & Pullen** (Audit), Dallas, TX | May 2006 – Aug. 2006
- **Deloitte** (Audit), Dallas, TX | Jan. 2006 – March 2006

HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

- EY Faculty Excellence Award (Department-level teaching award, based on master's student input) | 2025
- Edward P. Swanson Accounting Research Excellence Award (Department-level research award) | 2024
- AAA Public Interest Best Paper Award for the International Section Midyear (Profession-level research award) | 2023
- Association of Former Students Distinguished Achievement Award (College-level teaching award) | 2022
- Montague-Center for Teaching Excellence Scholar (University-level teaching award) | 2019
- AAA FARS Excellence in Reviewing (Profession-level service award) | 2018
- EY Faculty Excellence Award (Department-level teaching award) | 2018
- Mays Mini-Grant (collective total \$9,750) | 2016, 2019, 2021
- Deloitte Foundation Doctoral Fellowship | 2014 – 2015
- Fred Moore Assistant Instructor Teaching Excellence (College-level teaching award) | 2014

SOCIETAL IMPACT STATEMENT

I am committed to positively advancing society through research, teaching, and service. My research leverages accounting information to inform public policy, with a focus on three interconnected areas:

- The intersection of law and accounting: This research explores the topics of litigation risk, fraud, and corporate governance to enhance understanding of the governance mechanisms that mitigate fraud and protect shareholder value.
- Accounting standard setting: This research focuses on factors that affect the process of standard setting and the usefulness of the standards themselves.
- Bank financial reporting and behavior: This research focuses on how various factors can both reveal and affect bank risk taking and financial crises.

By integrating these areas, I contribute through scholarly publications, blog posts, and classroom discussions. In teaching, I emphasize critical thinking and real-world application, equipping students with the skills to excel in their careers and drive meaningful change.

Beyond research and teaching, I am dedicated to service through mentorship and professional development for students and junior faculty. My goal is to inspire and support the next generation, ensuring the continued growth and impact of the accounting profession.