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2019 (expected)	Ph.D. in Accounting, University of Kentucky
2012	MS in Accountancy, University of Kentucky, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
2011	BS in Accountancy, University of Kentucky, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Auditing and Capital Markets, Economic Geography, Non-Financial Risk, Voluntary Disclosure, Linguistics and Text Analysis, Network Analysis

WORKING PAPERS

‘Audit pricing and audit quality: The Influence of Livability’ (with Jeff Payne) – *Under Review at AOS*

‘An Examination of the Influence of Joint CFO / Audit Firm Tenure on Audit Quality’ (with Jeff Payne) – *Revise and Resubmit to AJPT – 2nd Round*

‘The Effect of Mandated Performance Measurement on Voluntary Disclosure and Market Responses: Evidence from the EPA 2009 Reporting Expansion’ – (with Brian Bratten) *Responding to workshop and conference feedback – Journal submission planned Fall 2018*

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

‘Wages, Debt, and Quality in the Production of Accounting Information’ - (*Dissertation research in progress*)

‘Agglomeration Economies and Financial Information Quality: The effect of geospatial clustering on the financial information environment and the role of auditors as special information intermediaries.’ – (*Data Analysis Phase*)

‘And not a drop to drink: Market Valuations of Efficiency and Risk – Evidence from voluntary water impact disclosures’ – (*Initial analysis and draft complete, needs additional analysis and revision*)

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RESEARCH SUPPORT

Institute for the Study of Free Enterprise Fellowship: granted for work on ‘An Examination of the Influence of Joint CFO / Audit Firm Tenure on Audit Quality’ - Date: July 2018 - Amount: \$5,000

Institute for the Study of Free Enterprise Fellowship: granted for work on ‘The Effect of Mandated Performance Measurement on Voluntary Disclosure and Market Responses’ - Date: May 2017 - Amount: \$3,000

UK Student Sustainability Council Research Grant – To obtain access to the Carbon Disclosure Project Database for multiple projects. - Date: February 2015 - Amount: \$5,000.

WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Workshop Presentations

University of Louisville (January 2018) - ‘The Effect of Mandated Performance Measurement on Voluntary Disclosure and Market Responses: Evidence from the EPA 2009 Reporting Expansion’

Emory University GRACE Conference (2017) - ‘The Effect of Mandated Performance Measurement on Voluntary Disclosure and Market Responses: Evidence from the EPA 2009 Reporting Expansion’

University of Kentucky (2017) - ‘The Effect of Mandated Performance Measurement on Voluntary Disclosure and Market Responses: Evidence from the EPA 2009 Reporting Expansion’

University of Kentucky (2016) - ‘Audit Pricing and Audit Quality: The Influence of Livability’

Conference Research Presentations

AAA Auditing Mid-Year Meeting (2016) - ‘Audit pricing and audit quality: The Influence of Livability’

AAA Managerial Mid-Year Meeting (2016) - ‘The Effect of Management Style on Risky Reporting Choices: A Motivational Focus Perspective’

Deloitte Foundation/ Michael J Cook Doctoral Consortium (2018) – ‘Agglomeration Economies and Financial Information Quality: The effect of geospatial clustering on the financial information environment and the role of auditors as special information intermediaries.’

Discussant Presentations

American Accounting Association Annual Meeting (2018)

American Accounting Association Annual Meeting (2017)

American Accounting Association Annual Meeting (2015)

AAA Auditing Mid-Year Meeting (2018)

Session Moderation

American Accounting Association Annual Meeting (2017)

AAA Auditing Mid-Year Meeting (2018)

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Paper Reviewer

AAA Annual Meeting (2018, 2017, 2016, 2015)
AAA Auditing Mid-Year Meeting (2018)

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE **Presented/discussed*

Deloitte Foundation/ Michael J Cook Doctoral Consortium (2018*)
AAA Annual Meeting (2018*, 2017*, 2016, 2015*)
Emory University GRACE Conference (2018, 2017*, 2016)
AAA Financial Mid-Year Meeting (2018, 2017) and Doctoral Consortium (2017)
AAA Auditing Mid-Year Meeting (2018*, 2017*)
AAA Managerial Mid-Year Meeting (2017*)
AAA Public Interest Mid-Year Meeting (2016) and Doctoral Consortium (2016)

HONORS AND AWARDS

North American Regions KAKEHASHI Project (March 2018) – Selected as one of 48 business graduate students to participate in a diplomatic exchange program between Japan and the US to “*promote mutual trust and understanding among the peoples of Japan, the US and Canada, and to build a basis for future friendship and cooperation*”

University of Kentucky, Luckett Fellowship (2014 – 2018)
University of Kentucky, Von Allmen Fellowship (2014 – 2018)
University of Kentucky, Reedy Fellowship (2014 – 2018)

TEACHING INTERESTS

Accounting Information Systems, Internal Control, Risk Management, Auditing

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor, Gatton College of Business & Economics

ACC 324 – Accounting Information Systems, Summer 2016
ACC 324 – Accounting Information Systems, Fall 2016
ACC 324 – Accounting Information Systems, Spring 2018

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2012-2014 Ernst & Young LLP – Risk Advisory Senior Associate
2011-2012 University of Kentucky - Accounts Coordinator