**Speed of Trust**

Stephen Covey visits Mizzou for a leadership event on Trust, co-sponsored by School of Accountancy (p. 55)

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**All in the Family**

The Vogel Family (Leroy, Lisa, Jeff & Paul Vogel) and Lewis Family (Brett & Andrew Lewis) — just two (of many) proud examples of families of accountancy graduates from Mizzou (p.60)
Message from the Director

Dear Mizzou School of Accountancy Alumni and Friends:

Greetings from the University of Missouri! In this annual newsmagazine, I am pleased to share some highlights of this past year from the School of Accountancy in the Trulaske College of Business at Mizzou.

We have had another highly successful year with our integrated 150-hour accountancy program, KPMG Master of Accounting with Data Analytics (MADA) program, Online MAcc program, and Ph.D. program. The active incorporation of professional development programs and thought leadership events (e.g., Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust, Orin Ethics Symposium, Dowdy Speaker Series, Women’s Leadership Forum, leaders/professionals as guest speakers in classes) as shown on pages 17-19, 45-46, and 55-56 has been very beneficial, helping build bridges between our students’ coursework and “real world” issues. The recent recognitions accorded our program by the Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) through its Higher Education Endorsement and by the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) through its Internal Audit Education Partnership are examples of the external recognition and relevance of our accountancy program at Mizzou. The almost year-round presence and energy of our recruiters on campus is also resounding affirmation of our program’s effective adaptation to meet the opportunities and challenges posed by continual change and the rapid advent of technology into all aspects of the accounting profession.

The addition of two new faculty members (page 8) will help enhance our staffing. At the same time, we express our appreciation to Professor Francis who retired last year after an illustrious career at Mizzou.

As we look to the future, our continued responsiveness and adaptation to ongoing and predicted changes in the accounting marketplace will be crucial to our continued success. Given our excellent partnering with constituent firms/corporations and our continual program innovation, we are confident of meeting the opportunities/challenges in a productive and successful manner. As an example, data analytics is now woven into our curriculum. Additionally, our audit and taxation certificates will be made available in our college’s innovative “stackable certificates” model for the new MS-Business degree program.

All these adaptations are predicated on a strong faculty/staff, student, and alumni body. That bodes well for us because our faculty continue to excel in their research, teaching, and service activities (see pages 4-12 and 37). Our students continue to impress with their thoughtfulness, national exposure, placements, and success (pages 26-28). Our staff excel in their work to support our mission (page 13). Last but certainly not least, the support from our alumni, friends, and partners has been exemplary. They give generously of their time, talent, and treasure. To top it off, they demonstrate connectivity and inspiring gratitude for the education that Mizzou provided them (please see pages 60-63 for such recollections from families of accountancy alumni). Our corporate partners have also been excellent, with a wide range of support from BKD, Brown Smith Wallace, CBIZ, Deloitte, EY, Grant Thornton, KPMG, PwC, RubinBrown, Plante Moran, and Anders, to name just a few. In addition, several individual alumni donors have stepped up to support faculty, student, and programmatic needs.

Overall, our alumni and supporters have been such an integral and inspirational part of our success!

In conclusion, my “gratitude wall” has many salient stars (or should I say bricks?): alumni, faculty/staff, students, and internal as well as external colleagues. I am truly inspired by – and grateful for – the loyalty and support that all of them have shown to me personally and to the Mizzou School of Accountancy. I am grateful for these relationships and cannot think of anything better than to be in my role as a facilitator of these inspiring cycles of education, success, gratitude, and giving.

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Vairam Arunachalam
Director, School of Accountancy
& PricewaterhouseCoopers / Joseph A. Silvoso Distinguished Professor
Faculty Activities

Vairam Arunachalam (PhD, Illinois ’91) serves as PricewaterhouseCoopers / Joseph A. Silvoso Distinguished Professor & Director of the School of Accountancy. His teaching interests are in the areas of Fraud Examination and Forensic Accounting. Some of his recent publications have been in Journal of International Business and Cultural Studies and in a co-edited book titled Economy and Finance of India (Springer Publications). Professor Arunachalam is a member of the Accountancy Board of Advisors for the Gies College of Business at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and of the Board of Regents for the Institute of Certified Management Accountants. He has been actively involved with AICPA accreditation, most recently chairing the accounting accreditation review team to the University of Florida. In addition, he serves on the Missouri Society of CPAs (MOCPA) Transformation Taskforce and MOCPA’s Education Foundation. He is also actively involved in organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust forums such as organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust and forums such as organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust and forums such as organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust and forums such as organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust and forums such as organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust and forums such as organizing alumni and leadership visits, guest speakers, and forums such as Stephen Covey’s Speed of Trust.

Elise Bartley (M.Acc, University of Missouri ’08), Assistant Teaching Professor, has taught Intermediate Financial Accounting, Advanced Accounting, Fraud Examination, Cost Accounting, and Accounting Ethics at Mizzou. She currently serves as the President of the Missouri Association of Accounting Educators, is a member of the American Accounting Association and the Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants, and is a licensed CPA in the state of Missouri. Before beginning her teaching career, Elise worked for Ernst & Young as an auditor out of the Kansas City office.

Mahfuz Chy (PhD, University of Toronto ’18) is an assistant professor of accountancy. He completed MS in Statistics from Virginia Tech and MS in Mathematical Finance from UNC-Charlotte. Previously, he worked as a statistican in Raleigh, North Carolina. His research interests broadly span financial and auditing archival topics. Some specific areas of his current research focus on real effects of accounting/auditing, managerial short-termism, debt contracting, and unintended consequences of accounting/auditing regulations.

Keith Czerny (PhD, University of Illinois ’15, MAPC, Villanova University ’06, BBA, University of Michigan ’03) is an assistant professor in the School of Accountancy where he teaches Auditing Theory and Practice I. Keith’s research focuses on current issues in auditing and disclosure using archival-based research methods. His research on explanatory language included in audit reports is published in The Accounting Review, Contemporary Accounting Research, and Auditing: A Journal of Practice and Theory. Prior to joining the faculty at the University of Missouri, Keith spent three years as an assistant professor in the School of Accountancy at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he taught graduate courses on financial accounting theory and financial statement analysis, and five years as an external auditor in public accounting. Keith enjoys spending time outdoors with his wife, Kim, and their three children.

Will Demeré (PhD, Michigan State ’17) is an assistant professor and the RubinBrown Faculty Scholar. His research focuses on performance evaluation and incentives, corporate governance, and institutional ownership. His research has been published in Management Accounting Research, Management Science, and the Harvard Business Review. Will also previously worked as an external auditor for Deloitte, taught at Virginia Tech, and is a CPA (Virginia). During his time at Virginia Tech and Michigan State, Will taught courses in managerial accounting, financial accounting, and information systems. He also worked with student abroad programs, teaching in France, Germany, and Belize. He currently teaches advanced auditing in the School of Accountancy.

Kari Gingrich, CPA (M.Acc, University of Iowa ’08) began her career in higher education teaching introductory accounting and economics courses at the University of Iowa. Kari worked for KPMG in Chicago and Des Moines as an auditor in the manufacturing sector, before relocating to Columbia with her husband and son to pursue a career in teaching. She began teaching the Introduction to Federal Income Taxation course at MU in 2010, and has taught Introduction to Accounting, Financial Accounting Concepts, Cost Accounting, Governmental Accounting, and Intermediate Financial Accounting at Mizzou in the years following. Kari also works as a job coach to students involved with business internships through MU’s Professional Development Program. Professor Gingrich enjoys the opportunity to work closely with students from the Tulsak College of Business as they enter their working lives. Kari is a licensed CPA in the state of Missouri, serves as Board Secretary for the Missouri Association of Accounting Educators, and serves as Board Treasurer for The Language Tree, a language immersion school in Columbia.

Matt Glendening (PhD, University of Iowa ’12), assistant professor, teaches intermediate financial accounting and the international accounting course that concludes with a student trip to London, UK. Professor Glendening’s research focuses on financial reporting and corporate governance, and his work has been published in The Accounting Review, Journal of International Business Studies, and Accounting Horizons. He is an active member of the American Accounting Association (AAA).

Kristen Hockman (M.Acc, University of Missouri ’00), Associate Teaching Professor, currently teaches Computer-Based Data Systems, Accounting Information Systems, Governmental Accounting, Audit Theory and Practice I, and Advanced Audit. She continues to serve as the Course Coordinator for the Computer-Based Data Systems course, which typically offers 16-20 sections per semester. Professor Hockman is the Campus Coordinator for the Becker CPA Review course. In this role, she informs students about the CPA Exam, assists students with the CPA Exam application process, schedules the review classes, instructs an online section of the review course for Mizzou students each semester, and provides students with support and guidance as they prepare for the CPA Exam. She serves as the Faculty Advisor for Mizzou’s Beta Alpha Psi accounting fraternity. She also serves as the Faculty Advisor for Mizzou’s Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, an organization that fosters leadership, friendship, and service on campus and throughout the community. Professor Hockman is a member of the American Accounting Association, the Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Government Finance Officers Association, and the Association of Government Accountants. She is also a licensed CPA in the state of Missouri. She enjoys fostering relationships with students, faculty and staff at Mizzou and other universities, alumni, and accounting professionals. Kristen and her husband, Jade, have three children and own two martial arts schools in Columbia. She loves taking martial arts classes with her kids and spending time with her family and friends outside of work.

Leah Baer (PhD, University of Colorado Boulder ’18) is an assistant professor. She teaches Accounting Information Systems. Her primary research interests focus on corporate governance, in particular how incentives of executives and directors influence their behavior. Leah has presented her research at various American Accounting Association (AAA) meetings as well as at the Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (CELS). One of her coauthored papers was featured on the Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance and Financial Regulation. She has also served as a reviewer for the AAA annual and mid-year meetings. She maintains her CPA license in the state of Colorado.
Inder Khurana (PhD, Arizona State University ‘89) is Geraldine Trulscar Chair of Accountancy. He teaches doctoral seminars and the capstone course focusing on business strategy, financial statement analysis, and valuation in the 10-hour accountability program. He coauthored the book “Which Analysts Benefited Most from Business Studies, effective January 2020.” His coauthored paper titled “Which Analysts Benefited Most from Mandatory IFRS Adoption in Europe,” published in the 2017 issue of Journal of International Accounting Research, received the best paper award of the International Accounting Section at the 2019 annual meeting of the American Accounting Association. His research papers were presented at the annual meetings of the American and European Accounting Associations.

Hoyoun Kyung (PhD, University of Texas at Dallas ‘18) is an assistant professor. He teaches intermediate financial accounting to juniors in the School of Accountancy. His research focuses on corporate disclosure regulation, security market transparency, and corporate governance related issues. Hoyoun has presented his papers at several conferences such as AAA Annual Meeting and FARS Midyear Meeting. His work has been featured in Harvey Law Review, American Corporate Governance, Columbia Law School’s Blog of Corporation and the Capital Markets, and Oxford Business Law Blog. He completed BBA from Korea University and MA in Economics from New York University.

Elaine Mauldin (PhD, Nebraska ’97), is the BKD Professor. She teaches a doctoral seminar on research methods and a graduate course using data analytic tools in the audit of internal controls. Professor Mauldin also conducts research in auditing and corporate governance. For example, this year her project examining the determinants and consequences of disclosure of the quantitative sensitivity of critical accounting estimates in MD&A was published in The Accounting Review. She is also working on several new projects, including the information content of disclosure of changes in internal control and how external reviewers assess auditor’s use of data and analytics techniques in the audit. She has published papers in leading accounting journals such as The Accounting Review, Journal of Accounting & Economics, Contemporary Accounting Research, Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory, Journal of Information Systems, and Accounting Organizations & Society. She is also serving the profession as the President-Elect of the American Accounting Association. In addition to serving as a reviewer for various journals, Professor Mauldin is an editor for The Accounting Review.

Stevie Neuman (PhD, Texas A&M University ‘14) is an assistant professor and the Brown Smith Wallace Faculty Scholar. She teaches the introductory taxation course. Her primary research examines firms’ tax planning decisions and how those decisions affect firms’ information environments (primarily through financial reporting and internal control quality) and investors’ assessments of firm value. Specifically, Professor Neuman is interested in the volatility of firms’ effective tax rates and tax risk and the quality of firms’ financial statements and information environments, especially the effects of tax services provided by audit firms and tax-related reporting decisions. She has published her research in Contemporary Accounting Research and The Journal of the American Taxation Association and has two forthcoming articles that will be available in 2020. Professor Neuman is an active member of the American Accounting Association (AAA) and the American Taxation Association (ATA). During the 2018-2019 academic year, she served on the editorial board for The Journal of the American Taxation Association, served on the JATA Conference Committee, and reviewed submissions for both the AAA annual meeting and the ATA mid-year meeting. She also serves as an ad hoc reviewer for The Accounting Review, Contemporary Accounting Research, Accounting Horizons, and the Journal of Accounting, Auditing, and Finance. Professor Neuman enjoys interacting with the students, faculty, and staff at Mizzou, as well as the alumni and accounting professionals that invest in the program.

Andrea Pawlczek (PhD, University of Colorado, ‘17; MBA, Duke University, ’08; BA, Emory University, 2002) is an Assistant Professor of Accountancy and the BKD Faculty Scholar. Andrea teaches intermediate financial accounting to juniors in the School of Accountancy. Her research focuses on executive compensation, governance, and institutional investors. She is active in the American Accounting Association (AAA), where she has presented papers and served as a reviewer and discussant at AAA meetings. She has also served as a reviewer for several academic journals.

Raynolde Pereira (PhD, Arizona ‘01) currently holds the Stephen Furbacher Professorship. He teaches in the area of taxation and financial reporting. His research interests primarily involve corporate tax, accounting and disclosure quality, and international accounting and auditing. He has also carried out research in the areas of corporate financing, international auditing, and not-for-profit and regulatory reporting. His work has been published in leading accounting, finance, and law journals such as the Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of Accounting Research, the Accounting Review, Review of Accounting Studies, Contemporary Accounting Research, Management Science, and the Journal of Law and Economics. His work has been presented at international, national, and regional accounting and finance conferences. He continues to serve as an ad hoc reviewer to several top accounting and finance journals.

Chris Prestigiacomo (PhD, University of Missouri ‘95), Associate Teaching Professor, Nikolai Teaching Scholar, is the director of the exit capstone course. He serves as the coordinator of the School’s (and College’s) AACSB maintenance of accreditation efforts. He has taught the first and second principles courses (2036/2037), intro (2010) cost/ managerial (3347), the intermediate financial course for finance majors (4556), the capstone (8450), the MBA intro course, two MBA modules he developed in financial statement analysis and a hybrid (partially online) course in investments and financial statement analysis for the execMBA Program. Chris recently developed the capstone class for our online MAcc Program and an online version of 2036. Next will be an online version of the MBA intro course. He was honored as the Faculty Member of the Year (May 2008) by the students of the Trulscar School of Business, Teacher of the Year (June 2009) by the Kansas City Alumni, Williams-Keepers Teaching Excellence Award (2008 and 2010), the Lambda Chi Alpha Professor of the Year (2010), the Bruce and Pam Walker Outstanding Faculty Service Award (2012), the Outstanding Teaching Award for the execMBA Program (2016, 2019), the Accounting School Advisory Board’s Teaching Excellence Award (2018) and Faculty Member of the Year by the graduating accounting students (2013). He has earned the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation as well as that of Certified Management Accountant (CMA). He served as an editor for Cengage Publishing. Chris also serves as the advisor to the MU chapter of National Association of Black Accountants, MU Wake Board Club and Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Most importantly, Chris married a wonderful woman (Carol) on the 1st day of spring 2019!

Ken Shaw (BS, Accounting) Bradley University, M.B.A., University of Wisconsin, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin) is a CPA and he teaches financial accounting and corporate governance. He won the School of Accountancy Advisory Board Teaching Excellence Award in 2018. He was awarded the 2013 O’Brien Excellence Award, the 2007 Williams-Keepers LLC Teaching Excellence Award, and was voted the “Most Outstanding Faculty” member by the 2019, 2016, 2010, 2006, and 2005 School of Accountancy graduating classes. He won the “Best First Year Professor” award from the 2019 and 2016 execMBA graduating classes. His research has been published in leading academic journals in accounting, finance, and management, including The Accounting Review, Contemporary Accounting Research, Contemporary Accounting Research, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of the American Taxation Association, Journal of Financial Research, Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance, Strategic Management Journal, Journal of Business Finance and Accounting, Review of Quantitative Finance and Accounting; Accounting Horizons; Research in Accounting Regulation; Journal of Financial Statement Analysis; Journal of Business Research; and others.
Professor Shaw currently serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Business Research. He is actively involved in committees and meetings of the American Accounting Association and the Financial Accounting and Reporting Section of the American Accounting Association.

Felipe B G Silva (PhD, Cornell University, ’2018) is an assistant professor, teaching the accounting and business strategy analysis capstone course of the School of Accounting. His research interests revolve around financial accounting, macroeconomics, banking and financial intermediation, and political economy. His work has been presented in conferences such as the FDIC/JFSR Annual Bank Research Conference, the FMA Annual Meeting, the FARS Midyear Meeting, and the JDIA Annual Meeting, and has been featured in the Washington Post, Bloomberg, and other media outlets in English, Portuguese, German, and Russian. His solo-authored paper, based on his doctoral dissertation, has been selected as a semifinalist for best paper award at the 2019 FMA Annual Meeting. Prior to his graduate studies, Professor Silva worked for 5 years in the private sector, including a brief career in the aerospace sector (Embraer) and later joining the financial services industry at Itaú Unibanco (Market Risk Division) and Banco Santander (Quantitative Researcher). He was also a founding partner of a startup enterprise in the telecommunications sector, later sold to a major retailer. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Aeronautical Engineering from Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica (ITA), Brazil, and an M.Eng. degree in Financial Engineering from Cornell’s Operations Research and Information Engineering Department. Outside of academia, Professor Silva enjoys spending time with his wife Anna and kids, Eric and George.

New Faculty

Tim Hurley (L.L.M., New York University, ’09) is an associate teaching professor of accounting with a specialization in taxation. He currently teaches graduate courses in tax research, corporate taxation, partnership taxation, and multijurisdictional taxation. Before joining Mizzou, he was the program chair of accounting at Franklin University and has held full-time faculty appointments at Florida State University, Robert Morris University, San Francisco State University and Ithaca College. Professor Hurley serves as faculty advisor to students competing in tax competitions, including the Deloitte FanTAXtic National Competition. In November 2019, he advised and accompanied the University of Missouri student team to Chicago for the regional round of the Deloitte FanTAXtic National Competition – the team placed 2nd in its region. In addition to prior teaching experience, Professor Hurley has experience in a law firm and has several years of work experience in corporate accounting and tax at medium-sized and large corporations. He is licensed as a CPA in California and Ohio (inactive). He has published several tax articles in practitioner-based journals and articles focused on tax policy in various law reviews.

Bruce Runyan is an associate teaching professor. He earned the Certified Public Accounting certification in 1986, the Certified Management Accounting certification in 1990 and the Certified Financial Planner certification in 1994. He worked in public accounting for regional firms in the Dallas, Texas, and Washington, D.C., areas for 12 years, and developed international tax software at Computer Language Research for four years. Dr. Runyan started teaching as an adjunct in 1995. Before joining MU, he taught at the University of North Texas. His primary teaching areas have been in financial and managerial accounting and he will teach Accounting Information Systems. He looks forward to integrating data analytics, internet of things and big data into these courses. Dr. Runyan has previously published in Internal Auditing, the International Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Performance Management and Accounting Forum. His research interests are primarily in the areas of pedagogy and behavioral accounting. Dr. Runyan earned bachelor’s degrees in forestry and accounting from the University of Arkansas at Monticello, a master’s in business administration with a concentration in finance from the University of North Texas and a doctoral degree from Texas A&M University.

Erin Anderson (M.Acc, University of Missouri ’00), is in her sixth year teaching Accounting 2027 — Accounting II for Mizzou Online and served as a job coach to students in MU’s Professional Development Program. In the past, she taught Accounting 2026, which won the ADEII (Association for Distance Education and Independent Learning) Helen William’s Award, which seeks to honor the most outstanding college level credit course opening the previous year. Erin spent twelve years in the public accounting sector as a Certified Public Accountant split between offices in Chicago and Cambridge, UK.

Sarah (Meyer) Burton is a member of PwC’s Internal Audit, Compliance, and Risk Management Solutions Center of Excellence (ICRS COE). The ICRS COE is a dedicated practice management team of seasoned professionals focused on improving the way Internal Audit is performed across the globe. The ICRS COE is committed to driving innovation, quality, communication, and distinction throughout PwC’s ICRS practice. Sarah regularly works across PwC’s Risk Assurance network to identify leading practices and trends and to contribute to thought leadership and content development within the ICRS practice. Her experience spans across multiple industries with a focus in Health Services. Sarah received her Bachelor’s of Science in Accounting and Master’s of Accountancy from the University of Missouri. She is licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in the state of Missouri. Sarah is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA).

Billie Cunningham (PhD, North Texas ’80), EV Teaching Professor Emeritus and adjunct professor. In the fall semester, Professor Cunningham facilitated the Accounting Ethics course for the Online Master of Accountancy Program, and in the spring semester, she taught an accounting course for business minors. Professor Cunningham’s primary research explores effective teaching pedagogies and strategies (and how one knows if one is successful) and how to help students develop their critical thinking throughout PwC’s ICRS practice.

Adjunct Faculty Activities

The ICRS COE is a dedicated practice management team of seasoned professionals focused on improving the way Internal Audit is performed across the globe. The ICRS COE is committed to driving innovation, quality, communication, and distinction throughout PwC’s ICRS practice. Sarah regularly works across PwC’s Risk Assurance network to identify leading practices and trends and to contribute to thought leadership and content development within the ICRS practice. Her experience spans across multiple industries with a focus in Health Services. Sarah received her Bachelor’s of Science in Accounting and Master’s of Accountancy from the University of Missouri. She is licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in the state of Missouri. Sarah is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA).

Robert J. Trulaske, Sr. College of Business

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Chad M. John

(Masters in Forensic Accounting, Florida Atlantic University, '10, BSacc, University of Missouri '92), CPA-CFF, CFE, Adjunct Professor, is in his fourth year teaching Forensic Accounting, a graduate level elective course in the School of Accountancy. Chad graduated from the University of Missouri with a BS in Accountancy. Chad brings to the classroom 22 years of experience in the natural resource industries on due diligence teams for Ernst & Young’s Merger & Acquisition practice. Chad joined the faculty in 2007 after serving as a visiting professor at MU for two years. Chad is a Certified Public Accountant in the state of Missouri, Certified Forensic Accountant, Certified Fraud Examiner, and holds a Masters in Forensic Accounting.

Shannon O’Donohue

is a graduate of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where she earned her BS in Accounting with a collateral focus in Supply Chain Management in 2017. She also earned her Master of Accountancy from the University of Tennessee with a concentration in Information Management while being a GTA for undergraduate audit courses. Upon graduation, Shannon moved to mid-Missouri to start working full time as a forensic accountant, where she currently investigates various criminal violations. She brings her experience to assist as an adjunct professor for the Forensic Accounting course in the School of Accountancy at the University of Missouri. Shannon is currently an active CPA in the state of Missouri.

Chad Reed

is a Director at PwC. He is part of the Assurance Innovation group, where he helps lead transformation efforts relating to how audits are executed. He works with various groups and engagement teams within PwC in order to improve the execution of our processes in order to enhance quality and economics. Prior to this role, he managed various assurance engagements focusing on audits of both public and private companies and worked with Manufacturing and Service Industry clients instrumenting and testing the cost to save. He has over two years. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in the states of Arkansas and Missouri. His is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and serves on the Audit Committee for the City of Fayetteville, AR.

Don Danner

is an Associate Professor of Accounting at Aurora University. He has previously held a variety of executive positions in both finance and general management, which included serving his companies as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer. Don enjoyed a 10-year career at IBM/Rolm Corp. where he held various senior financial positions. He began his career with Deloitte, an international CPA firm, in St. Louis. Don was the Chief Financial Officer for Aspen Marketing Services in West Chicago. Including Aspen, he spent 24 years as a CFO and 13 years as a Controller. Don, a CPA, holds an MBA from the University of Missouri - St. Louis, and a Bachelor of Science from St. Louis University. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants where he was a member of the AICPA Council (its governing body), Financial Executives International, the Illinois CPA Society and the Missouri Society of CPAs where he has served as Chair of their Board.

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J. Andrew Miller (Andy)

(J. Andrew Miller (Andy) retired from Ernst & Young LLP (EY) as a partner in the Assurance practice in the MU National Tax Department June 30, 2016. When he retired Andy was EY’s America’s Area Industry Tax Services leader with a specific focus on the Energy sectors (Oil & Gas, Power & Utilities and Mining & Metals). Andy worked for Ernst & Young over 30 years serving a wide range of corporate clients. He focused on corporate tax services acting as a tax engagement partner for several large multinational energy and natural resource companies. He has extensive experience serving as a tax specialization in the natural resource industries on due diligence teams for Ernst & Young’s merger and acquisition practices. As a result of Andy’s extensive mining and natural resources experience he was appointed the Americas Area Leader of Mining & Metals Industry Services. In that role he coordinated all service lines (audit, tax and transactions) supporting the mining, metals and natural resources clients. In light of his extensive natural resource experience in tax, Andy was also Ernst & Young’s Global Mining & Metals Industry Tax leader. During his career at Ernst & Young Andy was also the firm’s Global Co-Leader and America’s Area Leader for Power & Utility Industry Tax Services. In that role he provided services to electric, natural gas and water utilities including expert witness testimony in rate cases for regulated gas and electric utilities. Andy was a featured speaker at the Ernst & Young’s annual conference on mining taxation as well as at its annual financial reporting conference for the mining industry. He also spoke at a wide range of other industry events at such as the Edison Electric Institute bi-annual tax committee meetings and the Energy Tax Council bi-annual meetings. Andy has also served as an instructor for Ernst & Young’s National Tax education program teaching such topics as Subchapter C, consolidated returns, and mergers and acquisitions. For many years Andy assisted Peter Maxfield in updating his treatise, Taxation of Mining Operations by preparing and editing revisions to the book and is a co-author of the treatise. He is currently the primary author of that treatise after Peter Maxfield’s retirement in 2017. Andy is a 1978 graduate of the University of Missouri – Columbia receiving a BSBA in Accounting. He is a licensed certified public accountant (CPA) licensed in the state of Missouri, and he is a member of the Missouri Society of CPAs and the American Institute of CPAs.

Maxfield's retirement in 2017). Andy is a 1978 graduate of the University of Missouri. Andy assisted Peter Maxfield in updating his treatise, Taxation of Mining Operations by preparing and editing revisions to the book and is a co-author of the treatise. He is currently the primary author of that treatise after Peter Maxfield’s retirement in 2017. Andy is a 1978 graduate of the University of Missouri – Columbia receiving a BSBA in Accounting. He is a licensed certified public accountant (CPA) licensed in the state of Missouri, and he is a member of the Missouri Society of CPAs and the American Institute of CPAs.
getting the college recognized by the CFA Institute in the University Affiliation Program since 2007. This has been an enormous benefit to the students.

In his off-campus life, Dr. Stansfield has earned two distinguished service awards from the Boy Scouts of America: The Silver Beaver Award and the Scouting!... Vale la Pena! Service Award. He also continues to serve as Vice President of Fiscal Advisory for Area 5 of the Central Region of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He also serves as the Philmont Ambassador for the Great Rivers Council, taking boy scouts on two-week hikes each summer in the Rocky Mountains.

Philip Wright (University of Missouri-Columbia, B.S., magna cum laude, 1979; Georgetown University, J.D., cum laude, 1982; New York University, LL.M., 1985) Philip Wright's practice concentrates primarily on advising clients with regard to the domestic and international tax aspects of corporate acquisitions, mergers, dispositions, securities offerings and related tax matters; including structuring, negotiation, and documentation in respect of same. He also advises clients in controversy matters with the Internal Revenue Service principally regarding issues involved in acquisitions and divestitures.

Mr. Wright serves as an adjunct professor in the Masters Tax Program at Washington University Law School where he has taught both Corporate Reorganizations and Federal Taxation of Partnerships. He has also served as adjunct professor at Fontbonne University where he taught Advanced Corporate Tax—Consolidated Tax Returns. He frequently writes and speaks for Practicing Law Institute on tax issues involved in merger and acquisition transactions. His prior professional experience includes practice as a certified public accountant with a Big Four accounting firm. He is a fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel. He is listed in Best Lawyers in America and in Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers.

Stacy Wright CIA (BS, MBA, Columbia College, ’02), has 10 years of audit experience and over 11 years of experience in the accounting field. She is currently the Director of Finance and Administration for the University of Missouri, Trulaske College of Business. After serving a 3rd term as the President and Academic Chair of the Central Missouri chapter of The Institute of Internal Auditors last year, she is now serving on the Board of Directors for the organization. In her professional career, Stacy worked for the Missouri State Auditor’s Office, was the Director of Compliance and Quality Control for the Missouri Department of Social Services, and the Director of Internal Audit for the University of Missouri System. Stacy is serving as the Internal Audit Education Partnership Coordinator for the University of Missouri’s School of Accountancy where she is working to build a partnership with the Institute of Internal Auditors in order to promote Internal Audit education and the profession. She is also an Adjunct Professor in the University of Missouri’s School of Accountancy, teaching a graduate level Internal Auditing course.

Rhonda Blythe attended Columbia College and comes to us from the Missouri Veterinary Medical Association, where she worked as a Bookkeeper. Previously, Rhonda has also worked for Shelter Insurance, Farm Bureau Insurance, Exchange Bank, and Missouri Department of Revenue. In her free time, Rhonda enjoys spending time with her husband Kendall and son Ross.

Alex Horn (BSBA, University of Missouri ’10, MEd, University of Missouri ’16), joined as the Assistant Director of the 150-hour and Master’s Programs in Accountancy in July 2018. In this role, he advises the undergraduate students in the program, co-coordinates the graduate-level study abroad program and serves as a liaison to the accounting firms to facilitate internships and full-time placement. Alex currently instructs a lab section of the Foundation and Professional Development in Business course as well as serving as the staff advisor for the College of Business Student Council. He has been employed through the University of Missouri since January 2011, serving most recently as an academic advisor within the College of Business. Alex was the recipient of the Trulaske College of Business Staff Member of the Year Award for 2018-2019.

Shannon Ferguson currently serves as the Assistant Director of the 150-hour and Masters in Accountancy programs. In this role, she assists in ensuring that the accountancy programs at the University of Missouri continue to lead the way in success for our students academically and professionally. She joined the University of Missouri as the Assistant Director of the 150-hour and Masters in Accountancy programs in 2015. In her current role, Shannon advises graduate students in the program as they complete coursework, internships and look to begin their professional careers. Shannon coordinates directly with firms and corporations in order to increase internship opportunities for current students and full-time placement rates for graduates of the program. Shannon also works directly with the KPMG sponsored students through advising and graduation. Shannon also leads the coordination of the school’s study abroad program to London which takes place during the winter intercession. Shannon is a graduation of the 150-hour Accountancy program at the University of Missouri and thus holds both a Master’s and Bachelor Science in Accountancy. Between graduation and return to the University of Missouri, Shannon worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP within their assurance practice in the St. Louis office. Shannon holds a CPA license in the state of Missouri and is a member of the Missouri Society of CPAs (MOCPA).

Shawn Pallerday has been the Business Support Specialist II in the School of Accountancy since December of 2014. Prior to her start with Accountancy, she worked in the Trulaske College of Business Dean’s Office. Shawn earned her bachelor’s degree at Central Methodist University and is currently working on her Masters of Business Administration with the University of Missouri – Kansas City. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her husband Ben and their two-year-old daughter, Mia.

Teal Snoddy joined the Trulaske College of Business in July 2018 and handles recruiting and application processing for the new online MAcc. Prior to joining the University, Teal spent three years in the insurance and financial industry. Teal received both his undergraduate degree and MBA from William Woods University where he was a member of the basketball team as well as a graduate assistant coach while pursuing the MBA. In his free time, he enjoys working out, golfing and spending time with friends and family.


Mission Statement of the School of Accountancy

Built on a tradition of excellence, supported by its historical background as a founding member of the School of Accountancy movement in the nation, and noted for its unique integrated 150-hour program, the mission of the School of Accountancy at the University of Missouri is to:

- Prepare students for success in a diverse and global professional environment through a combination of excellent instruction, early exposure to career opportunities and experiences, extensive interaction with accounting firms and business professionals, and a comprehensive professional development program
- Conduct and disseminate scholarly research that impacts the understanding and improvement of accounting and business environments, practices, and innovations, while preparing the next generation of scholars
- Engage thought leaders, leaders in the accounting profession, and dedicated alumni to enrich our classroom instruction and connect our students
- Collaborate with professional partners to advance the flagship mission of the University of Missouri
- Ignite the human potential of the next generation of leaders of the accounting profession by teaching and preparing students for stewardship, planning and improving of the University of Missouri through a combination of excellence instruction, early exposure to career opportunities and experiences, extensive interaction with accounting firms and business professionals, and a comprehensive professional development program.

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2018-19 Research Workshops

Joe Schroeder
Indiana University
- Audit Process, Private Information, and Insider Trading
- Friday, September 21, 2018

Sudipta Basu
Temple University
- Nonlinear Loan Loss Provisioning
- Friday, October 19, 2018

Clare Wang
University of Iowa
- Exogenous Credit Rating Changes and the Provision of Voluntary Disclosure
- Friday, November 9, 2018

Elizabeth Blankespoor
University of Washington
- The Pitch: Manager’s Disclosure Choice During IPO Roadshows
- Friday, March 15, 2019

Urooj Khan
Columbia Business School
- Earnings Quality on the Street
- Friday, March 22, 2019

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Orin Ethics Symposium

The Orin Ethics Symposium series is designed to increase awareness and understanding of ethics issues in business and accountancy. Past speakers have included:

- Paul Sarbanes-Former US Senator
- Harry Markopolos-Madoff Whistleblower
- Chris Dodd-Former US Senator
- Jeannette Franzel-PCAOB Board Member
- Mike Oxley-Former US Representative
- Sheila Bair-Former Chair of FDIC
- Andrew Fastow-Former CFO of Enron
- Jacob Soll-Professor of History & Accounting at the University of Southern California
- Mark Whitacre-Chief Operating Officer, Cypress Systems Inc.
- Steven Mintz-Professor Emeritus of California Polytechnic State University

In Fall 2019, our featured speaker was Managing Partner at KPMG Washington, D.C. (Retired), Gerald Carlson as detailed in the announcement below.

Gerald Carlson
Managing Partner, KPMG - Washington, D.C. (Retired)

Orin Ethics Symposium

“Ethics in Leadership and Fulfilling Professional Commitments”
Friday, October 25
11:00 am - 12:15 p.m.
Bush Auditorium
Cornell Hall
accountancy.missouri.edu

Gerald (Jerry) Carlson has held key leadership positions during his 38-year career with KPMG.
As an audit partner, Jerry served both private and publicly held clients, focusing most recently on the Industrial Manufacturing, Technology and Telecommunications and Media markets. His professional experience includes serving as Global Lead Partner on Anheuser-Busch, Inc. and as the lead audit partner with a variety of Fortune 500 clients. He has assisted clients in the public offerings, due diligence of acquisitions and completion of restructuring processes.
Jerry was appointed as the Managing Partner of the Washington Metro Area in the fall of 2013. He joined the St. Louis office of KPMG in 1981 and was elected to the partnership in 1991. Having served in a variety of leadership roles in the St. Louis office, Jerry was appointed as the Managing Partner in July 2008.
Jerry serves on several boards such as the Economic Club of Washington, D.C., Federal City Council of D.C., Greater Washington Board of Trade and the Strategic Development Board at the Robert J. Trulaske College of Business at the University of Missouri.
During his tenure in the St. Louis area, he served as a member of the Boards of Catholic Charities Archdiocese of St. Louis, the Regional Business Council, and the United Way of Greater St. Louis.

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MU accounting alumnus Richard M. Orin (BSBA ’49), has established the Orin Ethics Symposium in the Trulaske College of Business. Mr. Orin is an attorney and CPA in New York. He earned a BSBA in 1949 from MU and was elected into Beta Gamma Sigma business honor fraternity and Alpha Pi Zeta. While at MU, he was also a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity. He earned two degrees from New York University: a JD in 1955 and an LLM in taxation in 1957. Mr. Orin is a founding member and former president of the American Association of Attorney-Certified Public Accountants. He was a 1988 DR Scott Memorial Lecturer and is the author of Professional Ethics published by the Foundation of Accounting Education. He was a 1988 DR Scott Memorial Lecturer and is the author of Professional Ethics published by the Foundation of Accounting Education. He was a 1988 DR Scott Memorial Lecturer and is the author of Professional Ethics published by the Foundation of Accounting Education.

Student Perspectives

“The one thing that stuck with me the most during his presentation was that following is as important as leading. Throughout college, leading others was a key-value shared in many of my classes. I have received more tools to be a leader than to be a follower because it appeared that leadership was much more critical. Jerry even commented on how no one would be interested in a school whose slogan was “teaching students how to follow.” However, to lead, one must know how to follow. In an entry-level position, I will not be able to lead on my own for quite some time. I will have to learn from fellow leaders and understand how to grasp the tasks at hand fully before taking on a leadership role. Then even after I have enough knowledge to lead, there will eventually be a point when I am required to lead alongside others. In this scenario, everyone will be on an even playing field, and no one leader can have control. The group of leaders I am a part of must learn how to follow each other instead of each lead in their own direction.”

— Ashley Fessler

“Ethical dilemmas will present themselves every day and I must have a strong foundation of ethical principles to guide me down the right path throughout my career. With presentations like the Orin Ethics Symposium, this foundational knowledge grows stronger every year.”

— Luke Gardner

“The Orin Ethics symposium is an event that I look forward to every year. It always has interesting speakers teaching valuable lessons. This year’s event featured Jerry Carlson who has spent many years as an audit partner with KPMG working in the Washington DC office. The first point that I found interesting was how he talked about that ethics and integrity should be an added leg to the 3 legged stool revolving around what makes a great worker.”

— Michael James

“The Orin Ethics Symposium is something I look forward to every year as the bar was set very high by Mark Whitacre at my first symposium. This year did not disappoint either as Gerald (Jerry) Carlson gave a great speech. I learned a lot from this speech, but one thing I am definitely going to take away from this and use in the near future, is how leaders acted with their employees. This showed how one should not act in a team, and with a lot of group projects in class and starting a job next Fall, these are skills I use now and will focus to hone as time goes on.”

— Dominic Lombardo
The Association of Accounting Students

We believe by offering innovative meetings that broaden students’ knowledge about the benefits of a career in Accounting, that facilitate communication within the School of Accountancy, and that improve understanding of business etiquette and practices, we can increase enrollment in the 150-Hour Program and position Accounting as the “Best Degree in the College of Business.”

We strive to achieve our mission by providing exposure to more firms. We are thrilled to announce that our chapter is on our way to becoming a Distinguished chapter and future plans to increase our membership as members with the best practices to implement for our chapter and future plans to increase our membership as well as provide more opportunities for our chapter and exposure to more firms. We are thrilled to announce that our chapter is on our way to becoming a Distinguished Chapter.

Beta Alpha Psi, Gamma Theta Chapter

Beta Alpha Psi is an international and professional honors organization for accounting students. The goal of our organization is to assist our members in their growth as business professionals, provide networking opportunities between students and firms, and give back to our community and university through service events and involvement. Membership into Beta Alpha Psi is considered a high achievement and honor exclusively for GPA-qualifying students admitted into the School of Accountancy. Throughout the year, we hold weekly meetings where we welcome firms of all sizes and various industries to educate our members on professional skills and the current market trends. This past year, we were pleased to host BKD, EY, KPMG, Grant Thornton, CBIZ, Deloitte, and PwC through multiple networking events as well as workshops on diversity of thought, facilitation skills, team-building activities, and more. Upperclassman and BAP alumni with varied experiences have also come to advise students and answer questions about careers, work-life balance, and overall growth as a professional.

Outside of our professional meetings, BAP members not only volunteer within the community at the Central Missouri Food Bank, Adopt-A-Spot Clean Up, and Clean Up Cornell, but have also been able to participate in BAP’s 100-book drive and a new initiative of community projects our chapter has set up with firms. If you’re firm would like to be part of this initiative, please be sure to contact our VP of Community Service. Members also assist the School of Accountancy by proctoring accounting exams throughout the year.

This year, the Executive Board participated in both the Beta Alpha Psi Regional and Annual Meeting, where Board members learned and participated in investing activities, seminars regarding relevant accounting topics, networking opportunities between other chapters, and more. The meeting provided direction to the Board members with the best practices to implement for our chapter and future plans to increase our membership as well as provide more opportunities for our chapter and exposure to more firms. We are thrilled to announce that our chapter is on our way to becoming a Distinguished Chapter.

Student Groups

If you are interested in learning more about our organization, please contact either our president, Stephanie Kang, and/or faculty advisor, Kristen Hockman.

President: Stephanie Kang
Vice President of Professional Activities: Matilda Burch
Vice President of Social Activities: Hayden Zadrozinski
Vice President of Community Service: Brett Behlmann
Treasurer: Brandt Neuman
Secretary: Madeline Myers
Webmaster: Clayton Meurent
Faculty Advisor: Kristen Hockman

NASBA – Student Center for the Public Trust (CPT)

Mizzou Student CPT is a student-run ethics organization. The purpose of CPT is to raise the awareness of ethical dilemma as students will face once they enter their profession while building key leadership skills. The organization provides students with an opportunity to develop and apply ethical business practices and ethical leadership skills. It also provides students with the opportunity to socialize and network with a diverse group of students and professionals. Finally, the organization helps promote a positive focus on students and faculty who exhibit ethical leadership at Mizzou.

One CPT officer attended a two-day Student CPT Leadership Conference hosted by the NASBA Center for Public Trust in the summer of 2019 in Washington, D.C. The organization held its kick-off meeting for the school year in September 2019, and its next meeting in conjunction with the Orin Ethics Symposium in October 2019. Three additional meetings will be held in the Spring of 2020 to discuss ethical issues, volunteer for a service project, and participate in the Student CPT Ethics in Action Video Competition. Officers will be selected in the Spring to attend the 2020 Student CPT Leadership Conference in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in June.

Undergraduate and graduate students of any major are welcome to attend CPT meetings and become members. For more information on Mizzou’s Student CPT chapter, please visit http://mizzou.campusthink.com/engage/organization/universityofmissouristudentcenterforthepublictrust.

The mission of NABA is as follows “As the Mizzou Student Chapter of NABA our mission as a professional organization is to unite students committed to academic and professional excellence while creating leaders in the world of Accounting, Finance, and other related business professions. While developing technical skills is one of our goals, we also aim to promote diversity and commit to our civic duties through giving back to our community.” Our University of Missouri (MU) Student Chapter has made every effort to fulfill our national organization’s mission through several key programs and services designed to address the needs of all students majoring and partaking in the fields of business. This past fall, the MU NABA chapter went on our second ever corporate trip to Atlanta, GA bringing 21 of its members. This was a great opportunity to expose our students to great businesses and firms. More recently, last spring, the MU NABA chapter hosted its 4th annual Inclusion Illusion Conference. This conference served to talk not only about diversity in the workplace, but also inclusion and bringing your authentic self to work. Moreover, in our general body meetings, we have welcomed speakers KPMG, EY, PwC, and E&J Gallo Winery, among other great companies to talk to our chapter.

President: Winston Elston
Vice President: Kibet Cheptyator
Secretary: Erich Stuechter
Treasurer: Connor Clogston
Director of Chapter Information Systems: Emily Mass
Director of Community Relations and Development: Michael Leduc

National Association of Black Accountants (NABA)
To promote and develop professional skills, as well as present underclassmen with several leadership, internship, and full-time job opportunities, MU NABA’s members have continued to participate in networking events with established accounting firms and financial companies. Along with professional networking events, NABA also hosts a few special events each semester so that the members and any of those interested can network and socialize outside of the classroom environment.

Listed below are the 2019-2020 officers. To get more information about getting involved with NABA, please contact NABA’s President, Ryan Sparks (ros98@mail.missouri.edu).

President: Ryan Sparks
Co-Vice President: Brian Amaonye
Co-Vice President: Maurice Glass
Treasurer: Maurice Glass
Secretary: Lauren Jackson
Marketing & Recruitment Chair: William Sullivan
Historian: Sydne Wade
Fundraising Chair: Amaris McCray

NABA Field Visits
This past October of 2019, the MU NABA chapter embarked on its second ever corporate trip. The chapter brought 23 of its members to visit Atlanta, GA and was hosted by 6 different businesses. The first two days of the trip were filled with these company visits to Deloitte, KPMG, Bank of America, EY, ACG, and Coca-Cola. The students were exposed to professional work environments and were able to learn more about the firms and what they do. Many of the students were able to use these networking opportunities to come away with internships for the following summer.

The last day in Atlanta served as a day of service and fun. In the morning, the students did a community service activity for a local elementary after school program, and later that afternoon visited the Martin Luther King Jr. Museum. The chapter plans to make this corporate trip an annual event to a different city each year.

Inclusion Illusion Conference
On Friday, March 1, 2019 the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA) hosted the Inclusion Illusion Conference in Reynolds Alumni Center. The event featured several modules and speakers addressing important issues pertinent to diversity, equity, and inclusion. The event was very informative and successful.
Scholarships

2018-19 Accountancy Awards

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners St. Louis Chapter Mieczkowska Roth

Accountancy Alumni Scholarship
- Drew Croghan
- Benjamin Daniel
- David Feng
- Aidan Meyer
- Kevin Tippit

School of Accountancy Advisory Board Scholarship
- Katherine Breitmann
- Megan Dueterhaus
- Shelby Reams
- Clayton Voss
- Kai Lynn Ward
- Joy Willbourn

Alumni with Arthur Andersen LLP Award
- Luke Bumgarner
- Caitlin Lammers

Arunachalam Family Scholarship
- Kim R. Bailey Memorial Scholarship
- The John Schweitzer Accountancy Grant
- Barbara & Nancy Pickett Foundation Scholarship

BKD Accountancy Scholarships
- Allison Bruegenhameke
- Paige Carpenter
- Gavin Ferris
- Jamie Goldberg
- Chandler Grega
- Shelby Haskins
- Danielle Herderhorst
- Katherine Johnson
- Stephanie Kang
- Benjamin Keven
- Brandt Neuman
- Evan Peeples
- Timothy Steele
- Yasmeen Taranissi
- Sydney Vogel
- Madeleine Weiner

Kenneth L. Brown Scholarship
- Christopher Anderson
- Joseph Crowe
- Jake Eovaidi
- Casey Frost
- Meredith Hill
- Marisa Marquardt
- Mychal Masterson
- Paul Moser
- Christopher Novosak
- Samuel Puttenger

Brown Smith Wallace Scholarship
- Joseph Jung
- Grace Botter Butler Endowed Scholarship
- Faith Groenke

Stephen G. Butler/KPMG LLP Scholarship
- Daisia Brown
- Olivia Oliver
- Steven Wright III

Campbell-Anders CPAs + Advisors Scholarship
- Arlington Foster

Deloitte & Touche Foundation Fellowship
- Eloise Baumgartner
- Annemarie Daiker
- Kayla Rutledge
- Hannah Weber

Carol Diraimo Scholarship
- Anna Krause
- Maggie Pyle
- Joslyn White

Kenneth E. Dimitry Memorial Scholarship
- Raymond C. Dockweiler Scholarship
- Maria Roman
- Jay Waldron

Ernst & Young Accountancy Scholarship
- Serai Barton
- Elaine Chen
- Andrew Gammon
- Bailey Godat
- Parker Hanson
- Jessie Hankins
- George Jurgensmeyer
- Spencer Puppels
- Jack Radt
- Adam Silverstone
- Grant Timm
- Josh Young

Grant Thornton Scholarship
- Brett Kirkwood

Gregg & Cheryl Givens Scholarship
- Caroline Arnold
- Caleb Biggs

Carl Haluska Scholarship
- Lucas Gardner

Mike & Yvonne Harrell Scholarship
- Alissa Best
- Eric Dellet

Donald G. Hendren Memorial Scholarship
- Adam Cochran
- Caleb Hunziker
- Nathan Sims
- Matthew Steele
- Skylar Townsend

Arthur Wm. Hoffman Scholarship
- Thomas Garlick
- Sarah Wingbemuehle

C. Ray Holman Scholarship
- Arthur Petzoldt

Ronald N. Kohl Memorial Scholarship
- Austin Hoth
- Brooke Yager

Nikki & Aaron Krawitz Accountancy Scholarship
- Megan Dueterhaus
- Kara Kruz

KPMG LLP Scholarship Award
- Luigi Botta
- Olivia Getson
- Cole Hugo
- Jacobs Otto
- Bailey Yost

Kvam Scholarship
- Don Landers Endowed Scholarship
- Alec Hartman

Clyde D. Mason Memorial Scholarships
- Emmanuel Kasule
- Michael LeDuc
- Catherine Meyer
- Nathaniel Nagy
- Victoria Nichols
- Nnandi Okoli
- Nicole Potter
- Najah Thabit

W. Mark & Linda Meierhofer Scholarship
- Tyler Yount

Monsanto Business Scholarship
- Michael Walterscheid

C. Richard Morehead Scholarship in Accountancy
- Michael Klein
- Anngenevorda O’Brien

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award
- Nathan Lundstrom

Outstanding Graduate Research Assistant Award
- Nargess Golshan

Bobbye & Scott Picker Scholarship in Accounting
- Charles Caprio

PCAOB Scholarship
- Steven Wright

Pricewaterhousecoopers LLP Foundation Scholarships
- Nicholas Barrett
- Joseph Bingaman
- John Eggman
- Dominic Franceschelli
- Cassandra Franz
- Thomas Geisinger
- Mary Catherine Heger
- Morgan Kantor.Fixed
- Jacqueline Karl
- Andrew Link
- Luke Miener
- Stephen Petralia
- Mackenzie Roth
- Samuel Schonaerts
- Brooke Shoemaker
- John Sullivan
- Lauren Taylor
- Joy Willbourn
- Alyssa Wintermute

John W. Rader Accountancy Scholarships
- Corey Falkner
- Tyler Heimold
- Xiaohan Lyu
- Hunter Morris
- Marissa Rath
- Robert Sniezek
- Minsoo Soh
- Cole Stauss
- Jay Tilly
- Marissa Voelter

Bob And Sally Robuck Endowed Scholarship
- Kayla Baumgartner
- Kayla Borcherdung
- Chan Chang
- Conner Closton
- Timothy Hagenhoff
- Lukas Jakubin
- Alexa Lamb
- Ryland McClain
- Bradley McNear
- Jake Rogers
- Kai Lynn Ward

Rubin Brown Accountancy Scholarship
- Candace Stone

The John Schweitzer Accountancy Grant
- Jordan Brewer
- Kathryn Fieldman
- Nick Huggins
- Jennifer Roeger

DR Scott Scholarship
- John & Peg Slusher Accounting Scholarship
- Joseph Davis
- Eric Dellet
- Caroline Gooden
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- Joseph Herget
- Jacqueline Karl
- Jordan Kemling
- Robert Stein
- Brandon Wilson

Stone Scholarship
- Patricia Vasterling Memorial Scholarship
- Madison Stinnett

Weiss Family Scholarship
- Jacob Busse

Maxine (Jagels) Wharton & Lee L. Wharton Scholarship Endowment
- Jacob Langelier
- Johnathan Pinson
- Jacob Rabenold
- Mary Shall
- Ryan Sullivan

Earl Wilson Doctoral Scholarship
- Nargess Golshan
- Philip Kunz
- Charles Oberweiser

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Case Competitions

Deloitte Audit Innovation Case Competition
Our Mizzou accountancy team of six students (Maridan Chaney, Maddie Dickson, Ellie Faulhaber, Danny Lang, Kristin Larson, John Yeager) traveled with faculty advisor Kristen Hockman to Minneapolis to participate in the Regionals division of the Deloitte Audit Innovation Case Competition (AICC). They were named one of the two teams that will move on to the National Competition at Deloitte University in April 2020.

Summary of Competition
“The first part of the competition was the regional competition. They sent out the challenge statement a month before the in-person competition happened. At each regional competition there were 2 pools of teams competing. They picked 2 of the top teams from each pool, 4 teams in total, to present to the whole panel of judges. From those 4 teams, 2 were picked to advance to the Nationals.

On November 21 (Thursday) we flew up to Minneapolis, MN for the competition. We had a networking dinner with all of the teams that night at a restaurant by the hotel. On Friday morning, we went to the Minneapolis Deloitte office. Before lunch, we got to learn about all of Deloitte’s technologies and software that they use, got a tour of the office, and presented to the panel of judges. After lunch, they announced the 4 teams that would be presenting a 2nd time. Our team from Mizzou was chosen. We got to practice one last time before our presentation. After all 4 teams were finished, they announced the Nationals qualifiers: our team and Howard University.”

—Madeline Dickson

Deloitte FanTAXtic Case Competition
A team of Mizzou accountancy students participated in the regional Deloitte FanTAXtic Case Competition, held in Chicago November 7-8. Mizzou has placed second overall in its regional competition. The team included sophomores Kevin Einig, Gunner Noble and Xin Zhang; junior Peter Hempstead; senior Sarah Wingbermuehle, and faculty advisor Tim Hurley. The teams Mizzou competed with include The Ohio State University, the University Iowa, the University Nebraska, Miami University of Ohio, Truman State University, and the University Cincinnati.

Deloitte awarded $200 scholarships to each of the students and $2,000 to the School of Accountancy in recognition of our team’s performance.

Summary of Competition
“Professor Hurley asked me early last semester if I would be interested in competing in the Deloitte FanTAXtic Case Competition. I immediately agreed to it, even though I wasn’t super sure what it entailed. Our team was comprised of a junior and three sophomores: Peter Hempstead, Gunner Noble, Kevin Einig, and Xin Zhang. In order to best understand the facts given in the case, we met weekly to research tax law, to form tax liability calculations, and to create and practice our presentation. Our team worked really hard, and everyone was so willing to learn. Our Deloitte Advisor and Professor Hurley were extremely helpful.

The competition was an amazing experience! We competed in Chicago with universities across the region. We were able to network with various Deloitte professionals across various service lines within tax. Being able to present our findings to a “client” was a really neat experience. I loved being able to answer questions after our presentation because it made the competition itself seem like an actual meeting with a client.”

—Sarah Elizabeth Wingbermuehle
"At the IMA Conference I learned about many different career paths that a degree in accounting could lead me to. In particular, I learned about RPA and how automating the accounting process will not eliminate, but will elevate all positions to be able to have the time to analyze numbers and give meaningful feedback about the numbers produced by the bot. I learned that this luxury of time, enabled by the bot speeding up the accounting process is relatively new, and will enhance the role of accountants. I had no idea how interested I was in RPA, data analytics, and programming why not pursue computer science? Well, my original reasons I chose the program and data analytics reignited my passion for accounting could lead me to. In particular, I learned about RPA and how automating accounting processes is relatively new, will elevate all positions to be able to have the luxury of time, enabled by the bot speeding up the accounting process is relatively new, and will enhance the role of accountants. I had no idea how interested I was in RPA, data analytics, and programming why not pursue computer science? Well, my original reasons I chose the program and data analytics reignited my passion for" —Leah Maxey

"Attending the 2019 IMA Student Leadership Conference is one of the best experiences I have had in the School of Accounting. As a student who is seeking a career in industry, it was an amazing opportunity to learn about the profession and network with other students and IMA professionals. It covered some of the most relevant topics in the workplace from the digital revolution to the ethics students need to develop throughout their careers. After hearing all of the conference material I was not only more informed about the profession, I felt excited to be a part of it. I was able to speak with many students at the conference, and discuss the IMA student chapters that were established at their universities. Since returning, I and the other students who attended the conference recently decided to use our experience together to start forming the first student IMA chapter to gather students seeking careers in a non-public field." —Mary Delano

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"The semi-annual meeting of the School of Accountancy Advisory Board was held in Columbia on May 3, 2019 with 24 members present. Topics discussed included 150-Hour Program updates, study abroad program updates, online MAcc discussion, and a student panel on internships and full time placements. The next meeting of the Advisory Board was held November 15, 2019 with 22 members present. New faculty were introduced, and discussion was had regarding curriculum revisions and updates, CPA Exam eligibility requirements, and academic partnership/endorsement programs with the Institute of Management Accountants and the Institute of Internal Auditors. **Rotated off Board during the year † Joined the Board during the year"
The College’s Herbert J. Davenport Society annual banquet was held in Columbia on October 11, 2019. Named after the college’s first dean, the society promotes private participation in the support and development of the college. The School of Accountancy is very proud that advancing members included School of Accountancy alumni Colby and Mica Clifton, W. Matthew Dufield, Jr., Trina Hamilton, Steven and Tamara Rasche.

Colby is an assurance partner at Ernst & Young in the Kansas City office. He has held this position since 2017, and has been with the firm for 16 years. He received his master of accountancy from the University of Missouri in 2003. Mica Clifton is a registered nurse at Children’s Mercy Hospital in Kansas City and has an associate’s degree in nursing from Penn Valley Community College. Their donation is in support of the Vasey Academy and the School of Accountancy.

Trina Hamilton

Trina is the director of income tax compliance at Emerson Electric Co. in St. Louis. She previously served as a senior manager in tax accounting. Before joining Emerson, she held several positions at PricewaterhouseCoopers, where she started as a tax associate, ultimately becoming a tax director.

Trina is a graduate of the University of Missouri School of Accountancy, where she earned her combined bachelor of science in accounting and master of accountancy with a tax certificate in 2003. She was a member of Beta Alpha Psi. Currently, she is a certified public accountant and is licensed in the state of Missouri. She is also a member of the AICPA and the Missouri Society of CPAs. Trina is an annual guest speaker to the college’s international accounting class. In St. Louis, she is involved in several nonprofit organizations, including the United Way, Forest Park Forever and Hearts & Hope for Uganda.

Her gift is in support of the School of Accountancy.
Steve was named CFO of the Year by the St. Louis Business Journal in 2014. He is actively involved in the St. Louis community, including holding leadership roles in several not-for-profit and professional organizations such as American Gas Association, St. Louis Equity Fund, Fair St. Louis, Boy Scouts of Greater St. Louis, the Crosby MBA Advisory Board and Westminster Christian Academy.

Tammy Rasche is an accountant with T. Brickler Accounting and Tax. She received her bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of Missouri. She is a volunteer with Central Presbyterian Church.

Tammy and Steve have three children, David, Megan and Robert. Meg is a 2017 graduate of the MU School of Accountancy.

Their gift is in support of the Accountancy Faculty Research Fund & MBA Student Excellence Fund.

W. Matthew Duffield, Jr.

Matthew is the president and CEO of Axiom Impressions, a printing and mail service company with facilities throughout the United States – Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas and New York. He became CEO in 2014 after previous leadership positions held at Arthur Anderson, a private equity firm and American Italian Pasta Company, for which he lived for two years in Italy.

A graduate of the School of Accountancy, he earned his bachelor’s degree in 1985. Currently, he serves as on the board of directors for First Missouri Bank.

He has two daughters, both of whom attended the University of Missouri; Jessica has a degree from the School of Journalism and Megan is currently a student in the Trulaske College of Business. His gift supports the Trulaske Excellence Fund.

The Trulaske College of Business bestows the Recent Alumni Achievement Award, Alumni Citation of Merit and Special Citation of Merit as the highest honors for alumni and friends of the college. This year, we are proud to note that five of the recipients were nominated because of their connections to the School of Accountancy. Their profiles and accomplishments are detailed below.

Kreg Brown, CPA, CGMA

Alumni Citation of Merit

BS Acc ’94, University of Missouri

Assurance Partner and Board Member

Plante Moran, PLLC

Kreg is an assurance partner and board member at Plante & Moran, PLLC. He was the EKS&H CEO-elect prior to the October 2018 merger with Plante Moran. He has more than 30 years of public accounting experience with both public and private companies and is a FranklinCovey® Certified Trust Trainer. He specializes in providing a unique blend of in-depth professional accounting services and strategic professional advice. He also is a trusted business advisor, coach and mentor to CEOs and other community business leaders in a variety of industries with a focus on manufacturing.

He is actively engaged in the Denver community with a variety of Boards including the Colorado Chamber of Commerce and the Colorado Advanced Manufacturing Association, to name a few.

Kreg is a former MU baseball player and ardent supporter of the University of Missouri. Over the years, he has established a strong recruiting relationship between EKS&H/Plante Moran and Mizzou. He is also a dedicated member of the School of Accountancy Advisory Board and was honored to be the Trulaske College of Business’ commencement speaker in 2017.

Kreg and his wife Nita (BS ’84) have three adult children, Abby, Drew and Grant, and a daughter-in-law, Megan. Kreg’s interests include golf, hiking near their Breckenridge cabin, fly fishing and Cardinals baseball. Kreg and Nita believe in giving back to MU and are presently members of the Davenport, Jefferson Club and Columns Societies.

Carol DiRaimo

Alumni Citation of Merit

BS Acc ’84, University of Missouri

Chief Investor Relations & Corporate Communications Officer

Jack in the Box, Inc.

Carol is chief investor relations & corporate communications officer at Jack in the Box, Inc. Prior to joining the company in 2008, she was vice president of investor relations for Applebee’s International, Inc., where she was employed for 14 years and served in a variety of capacities, including financial planning & reporting, treasury and corporate analysis, before heading the investor relations function. Carol has nearly 30 years of experience in the restaurant industry and six years of public accounting experience at Deloitte.

Carol has received numerous awards, including having been named one of the top 25 global investor relations professionals over the past 25 years by IR Magazine in 2015. IR Magazine has honored Carol six times as Best Investor Relations Officer in the U.S. for a small-to mid-cap company. In 2017, Jack in the Box received awards for Best Overall Investor Relations Program (midcap) and Best in Sector: Consumer Discretionary by IR Magazine. In 2017 and 2018, Jack in the Box was recognized as one of the magazine’s Global Top 50 IR programs. Institutional Investor has named Carol to its All-America Executive Team 11 times. Institutional Investor ranked her as the Best Investor Relations Officer by the sell-side for six consecutive years (2013-2018) as well as the Best Investor Relations Officer by the buy-side in 2016 and 2017. Institutional Investor also recognized Jack in the Box Inc. as one of America’s Most Honored Companies for four consecutive years (2015-2018). From 2006 to 2011, Carol served on the Board of Directors of the National Investor Relations Institute. In 2010, she was elected to the Board of Trustees of Rockhurst University, where she serves as finance committee chair and on the advancement and audit committees.

Carol graduated summa cum laude from the University of Missouri with a Bachelor of Science in accounting and received a Bronze Medal on the CPA exam in 1981. She also earned an Executive Fellows MBA from Rockhurst University in Kansas City in 2004. Carol is a member of the Davenport Society.
Alumni & Recent Alumni Awards

Nicole Galloway, CPA
Alumni Citation of Merit
BS Applied Mathematics and Economics ’04
Missouri University of Science and Technology
MBA ’08, University of Missouri Auditor, State of Missouri

As the citizen’s advocate, making sure government at all levels is efficient, effective and transparent. Since taking office, she has placed an emphasis on identifying fraud in government and holding those responsible, accountable.

Nicole was sworn in as the 38th auditor of the State of Missouri in 2015 and was elected to a second term in 2018. She is a certified public accountant and certified fraud examiner who brings her expertise to work each day as a strong, independent watchdog for Missourians. She serves as the champion of the taxpayer and promotes accountability, transparency and ethical government. She has established a record of integrity and accountability as she ensures aspiring CPAs are well prepared for the workplace.

In addition, Jim advocates for the profession at the state and federal level, spearheads the development of professional learning and engagement opportunities for CPAs and guides MOCPA’s diversity and inclusion efforts. Jim is a proud member of the MU School of Accountancy Advisory Board and is involved with numerous organizations impacting the accounting profession, including the American Institute of CPAs, Missouri State Board of Accountancy, National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, National Association of Black Accountants and the Missouri Association of Accounting Educators.

Chad Reed
Recent Alumni Achievement Award
BS Acc ’08, MAcc ’08, University of Missouri Assurance Director, PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP

He graduated summa cum laude from the University of Missouri with both a Bachelor of Science and Master of Accountancy in 2008. While at Mizzou, he was a Summer Welcome leader and served the Trulask College of Business as a Student Ambassador and as a member of the Trulask Student Council. He was also a member of MU’s Homecoming Steering Committee. For his academic achievements and service to the community, Chad was recognized as part of the prestigious Mizzou ’19. Chad was previously involved in the Recent Alumni Advisory Board subsequent to his graduation until his departure for Australia in 2011. He currently serves on the City of Fayetteville’s Audit Committee, and he is a member of the college’s Davenport Society.

Chad started his professional career in PwC’s St. Louis office. He served nearly two years as an associate before being promoted to senior associate. During his time as a senior associate, Chad began a three-year international tour in Melbourne, Australia, focused on energy and utility audits. He was promoted to manager while in Australia and returned to the United States in 2014. Upon his return, he joined PricewaterhouseCoopers’ Fayetteville office where he was subsequently promoted to senior manager. He later became a member of PwC’s Engagement Performance and Quality Team where he focused on helping assurance engagements reach maximum efficiency through Lean, Six Sigma and Total Quality Management practices.

Vairam Arunachalam
Alumni Citation of Merit
BS Acc ’81, University of Missouri

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In September 2019, we welcomed 163 new admits to our 150-hour program. The outstanding class is made up of students from at least ten different states and at least two counties, and boasted an average incoming GPA of 3.676. Students were welcomed into the program with a new admit workshop, held the first week of school. At the workshop students had the opportunity to network with each other and get to meet their EY Accounting Excellence Mentors (outstanding seniors in our program selected to be mentors to the coming class), who assisted these students working on the Accounting 3326 “Practice Set,” which is designed to refresh students’ knowledge over recording transactions, preparing closing and adjusting entries, and creating financial statements. Completion of the Practice Set enables the students to start their first Financial Accounting course on solid footing.

A week later, the School of Accountancy hosted a New Admit Dinner. The dinner was another chance for the new class to get to know each other, but also to network with accounting professors and recruiter from across the state and country. Doug McHoney, PwC International Tax Services Leader served as the keynote speaker for the event and delivered an outstanding keynote address to our students, faculty and staff. His career advice to the incoming students was excellent and delivered in a thoroughly enjoyable style.
2019 Graduation Banquet

On April 18, 2019, a banquet was held at the University of Missouri Alumni Center for members of the 2019 graduating class of the 150-Hour program to celebrate their graduation and to commemorate their experience at MU. The banquet was attended by faculty and staff, and the keynote speaker was Rick Mills (BSBA-Accountancy, 1978). Mr. Mills conveyed a tremendously motivating message to the graduating students, gleaned from his extensive experience, leadership, and abiding ties to Mizzou. We are fortunate to have Rick and Denise Mills as friends of the School of Accountancy. Here are some of the wonderful memories from the event.

Rick started with CBIZ MHM, LLC in 1978, and was recently promoted to Chief Operating Officer. Prior to this promotion, Rick was President of CBIZ MHM, LLC – Kansas City, and responsible for offices in St. Louis, Topola, Wichita and Tulsa. Rick’s current responsibilities at a corporate level include business development, marketing, strategic planning, national training and organizational efficiency.

Throughout Rick’s career he was the Kansas City and Midwest Regional Attest Leader, and for many years consulted with clients on a variety of topics, including acquisitions, strategic planning, succession planning and improving profitability.

Mr. Mills (Chief Operating Officer of CBIZ MHM) delivered an outstanding keynote address to the graduates

Cake designed for our Class of 2019 graduates by the graduation committee (L to R: Tim Riordan, Jacob Towler, Dan Klein, Jessica Demunbrun, Kristen Rector)
International Accounting is a graduate level accounting elective that is offered to students interested in exploring and learning about the international aspects of the accounting profession. It is delivered to students as a combination of in-person classroom learning during the fall semester and trip abroad to London, England in January 2019. Classroom learning incorporates presentations from international business professionals as well as academic research to foster a collaborative learning environment for graduate students.

The students arrived in London on January 3, 2019 and participated in a week of professional visits to PwC, KPMG, Emerson, the International Accounting Standards Board, Grant Thornton UK and International, as well as AT&T. In each of these visits students were presented with information about the accounting professional abroad both from a technical and personal perspective. Students inquired about technical topics such as Brexit as well as learned about opportunities to advance their careers by working abroad.

In addition, to the professional opportunities noted above students explored the cultural aspects of London by participating in site seeing throughout their time abroad. As a group, the students visited the Tower of London, St. Paul’s Cathedral, as well as Westminster Abbey. Shannon Ferguson and Alex Horn, Director and Assistant Director of the 150-hour program and Masters programs in Accountancy, respectively, joined the students abroad.
The Beta Alpha Psi (BAP) Initiation banquet was held Thursday, April 25, 2019 at The Broadway Hotel. In attendance were all new BAP initiates and officers, accountancy faculty/staff, and representatives from all our recruiters. We had the honor of Chuck Hutchins, Chief Tax Officer at Leggett & Platt, Inc., delivering the keynote address to the group. His excellent speech traced his career path and provided our students with several inspiring tips for success. We are grateful to Chuck for his talk and for his service on the School of Accountancy Advisory Board. The BAP initiate group is pictured below.

Chuck Hutchins is Vice President and Chief Tax Officer for Leggett & Platt, Inc., a publicly traded S&P 500 global diversified manufacturing company headquartered in Carthage, Missouri, which operates 120 facilities in 18 countries and employs nearly 23,000 worldwide.

Chuck leads all aspects of Leggett’s tax operations around the world and has significant expertise in federal, state, local, and international income taxes, U.S. and foreign indirect taxes, accounting for income taxes, and tax planning and strategy. Prior to joining Leggett in 2006, Chuck spent over 20 years in public accounting, most of that with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Los Angeles and San Jose, California. He has obtained extensive project management skills over his career and is Six Sigma Green Belt Certified.

Chuck is also a Certified Public Accountant, currently licensed in both California and Missouri, and is a member of the AICPA. He also serves on the tax policy council for both the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and the Manufacturers Alliance for Productivity and Innovation, and is a member of the Financial Reporting Committee of the Tax Executives Institute.

Chuck graduated from the University of Missouri in 1984 with his Bachelor of Science in Accountancy degree, and currently serves on Missouri’s School of Accountancy Advisory Board.
Beta Alpha Psi Initiation Banquet

School of Accountancy faculty, staff, and students with Mr. Chuck Hutchins

Beta Alpha Psi incoming president Stephanie Kang presenting Mr. Hutchins with a certificate and gift of appreciation

Professor Chris Prestigiacomo and student attendees enjoying the keynote address

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Bush Auditorium - Cornell Hall

Wendy Henry, Sandi Arrick, and Carol DiRaimo addressing event attendees

The School of Accountancy hosted the Women’s Leadership Forum on Friday, April 5th. Wendy Henry (BKD), Sandi Arrick (PwC), and Carol DiRaimo (Jack in the Box) served as panelists and addressed issues pertinent to women’s advancement in accounting and business. The session was very informative and highly engaging, with several practical tips for career management and advancement.

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School of Accountancy faculty at the forum

Accountancy students asking questions of the panelists at the luncheon following the event

Welcome KPMG MADA Class of 2019

We were pleased to welcome our 2019 cohort for the KPMG Master of Accounting with Data & Analytics (MADA) program in August.

KPMG MADA Graduate's Perspective

Name: Luke Yeager

Background: I did my undergraduate study at Colorado State University (Fort Collins, CO) where I concentrated in accounting.

Experience at Mizzou: Being part of KPMG’s MADA Program at Mizzou was an awesome experience. There were certainly moments where I found myself outside of my “accounting comfort zone,” but this pushed me to develop my ability to think critically, think creatively, and collaborate with others. Dr. Mauldin’s course on the audit of internal controls was one of my favorites. Her projects gave us tremendous exposure to emerging technologies like IDEA and Tableau, as well as several firms’ proprietary tools. I also loved Dr. Arunachalam’s fraud examination course. We had the opportunity to hear from individuals involved in high-profile fraud cases and to conduct our own “fraud investigations” with Tableau using real data. In each of these classes, along with my other coursework, my professors taught me how to use data analytics tools to address complex issues.

What I Enjoyed Most: A few of the things I enjoyed the most during my time at Mizzou were SEC gamedays, hanging out in Downtown Columbia, and playing basketball at the Rec after class.

Post-Grad Plans: I recently began my career as an audit associate in KPMG’s Denver office.
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- **Top 15 Ranked Accountancy Program nationally** (Top 5 when scaled by faculty size)
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**2017 Q2 CPA Exam Pass rates in the Top 5 nation-wide**

**Emphasize professional development and career opportunities**

**Annual domestic job placement rate**

**Approximate number of students completing a professional internship**

**$53,000+** Average starting salary

The University of Missouri’s new **online Master of Accountancy** program allows you to earn your graduate degree and prepare for your CPA exams at an accountancy school that is one of Mizzou’s (and the nation’s) top ranked programs.

**Why Online?**

- Global access to a Top 15 ranked accountancy program (Top 5 when scaled by faculty size)
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- Opportunity to receive high-quality instruction (with the same rigor and high expectations employers are seeking) without relocating
- Access to excellent courses that help prepare you for the CPA exam

- Opportunities to attend professional development workshops to increase your proficiency in soft skills
- Our online programs received annual rankings for quality and affordability from groups like U.S. News and World Report, and affordablecollegesonline.org

**Admission Requirements:**

- Four year bachelor’s degree from a U.S. institution
- Competitive GMAT or GRE score
- Must meet the following accounting prerequisites:
  - Accounting I and II
  - Intermediate Financial Accounting I and II
  - Accounting Information Systems
  - Cost and Managerial Accounting
  - Introduction to Taxation
  - Competitive undergraduate GPA
  - Interview with faculty, staff and/or alumni
  - Letters of Recommendation
  - Statement of Objective
  - Work experience may be considered in lieu of some admission requirements

**Graduation Requirements**

Minimum 3.0 GPA in the following courses:

- Required Coursework (6 hours):
  - Auditing Theory and Practice
  - Accounting and Business Strategic Analysis
- Accounting Electives (15 hours):
  - Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders
  - Accounting Ethics
  - Tax Research
  - Financial Accounting Theory and Practice III
  - Governmental Accounting and Budgeting
  - Professional Accounting Internship
  - International Accounting
  - Internal Auditing
  - Forensic Accounting
  - Advanced Audit
  - Business/Accounting Electives (9 hours)

*Students who have completed the course will take an additional accounting elective. All other substitutions will be evaluated on an individual student basis.

**Plan of Study**

**1 year completion:**

- **Fall Semester** - 12 hours
- **Spring Semester** - 12 hours
- **Summer Semester** - 6 hours

**2 years completion:**

- **Year One**
  - **Fall Semester** - 6 hours
  - **Spring Semester** - 6 hours
  - **Summer Semester** - 3 hours

- **Year Two**
  - **Fall Semester** - 6 hours
  - **Spring Semester** - 6 hours
  - **Summer Semester** - 3 hours

Students can further customize their course schedule to meet personal, professional and financial needs.

**Program Cost:** $25,000

Students may start the program in Summer, Spring or Fall semester, to increase flexibility and ease of access for each individual.

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Online MAcc program – Student Perspective

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Originally from St. Louis, attended Kentucky Wesleyan College (Owensboro, KY) and graduated in May 2018 with Bachelor of Accounting. While at KWC, I was a member of the women’s volleyball team and member of Alpha Omicron Pi.

I chose Mizzou because of the new online accounting program that was being offered. When researching graduate programs, I was looking for something that was flexible and would allow me to work at the same time I was earning my master’s degree. Mizzou’s program checked off all the things I wanted in a Master’s program. It was flexible and allowed me to partly customize the program to my specific needs to complete it within 1 year. In addition, I knew Mizzou’s accounting program was one of the best in the country; I knew that it would prepare me for my career.

What I liked most was that the program also had aspects that made my courses feel like a typical in-person course, such as group projects and zoom meetings with other classmates. I got to know all of my classmates just like you would in a normal in-person class by working together on projects.

One of my favorite classes was Forensic accounting, because it showed a different path of accounting that most people don’t typically think about when you talk about different accounting fields (ex. Tax, Audit, Advisory). I also really loved my capstone class, Business Strategy and Valuation. It helped tie together different things I had learned in classes throughout the program. I also liked taking auditing classes and learning more about that field, since I am a tax person and didn’t have much experience in audit. I think taking those classes is what helped me pass the auditing portion of the CPA! (Also, all of my instructors were amazing! Communicating with them over email was always an easy way to get answers quickly).

Post-graduation, I have started work as Business Tax Associate for KPMG St. Louis. I love my job, and have also been able to meet different people from the St. Louis office that attended Mizzou in person. I even had the opportunity to come visit Mizzou and talk to current accounting students about a future career with KPMG!

BKD Research Panel

On December 6, 2019, a panel of four BKD partners participated on a BKD Research Panel for accountancy faculty to bounce research ideas with and to obtain practitioner feedback on research project ideas. This was a valuable session that fostered interaction between academics and practitioners—and was well received by all involved. We are tremendously appreciative of BKD’s participation as well as overall support of the Mizzou School of Accountancy.
Snapshots from the Year

The School of Accountancy recently hosted visitors from Nelson Mandela University in South Africa, including Houdini Fourie, Director of the School of Accounting, and Instructor Mario Labuschagne. Fourie presented “Ethics, Culture and Fraud” and the visitors also met with students, faculty and staff, in addition to college- and campus-level leadership and Institute of Internal Auditors board members.

Alumnus of the Year award goes to Andy Miller (BSBA-Accountancy, 1978)!
On Wednesday, October 23, 2019 the University of Missouri welcomed Stephen M.R. Covey, author of The Speed of Trust for the 2nd annual Novak Leadership Speaker Series keynote sponsored by Plante Moran, School of Accountancy in the Trulaske College of Business, School of Journalism, and UM Extension. Covey’s session, Leading with Trust, discussed how trust is crucial to the success of any leader and organization.

There were several components to Mr. Covey’s visit, including a separate workshop with students and a larger talk at Jesse Auditorium. The visit was excellent and, as the student perspectives below will attest, provided terrific insights into the important topic of trust. We thank Mr. Covey for his great visit and express our gratitude to our dear friends Nita & Kreg Brown (Plante Moran) for their support of this event.
Student Perspectives:

“Over-managed and under led, we need leaders”, Stephen Covey is a motivational speaker that has a plethora of experience in the realm of trust and leadership. He is the owner of the largest leadership center in the world, which is located in 150 countries. To say that this guy has experience is an understatement. His 3 main ideas were discussed throughout his lecture and they all have a serious impact on my everyday life.”

—Katie Brettmann

“I admire the staff and students that had the pleasure of seeing Stephen Covey’s talk now hold a much different perspective over the idea of trust in the business world.

The three big ideas around which this framework was built included trust being an economic driver and the most crucial competency for modern leaders, as well as the idea that trust is a learnable skill.

I’m incredibly grateful for the insights and examples Mr. Covey shared with us here at Mizzou. I look forward to passing on his ideas with others and encouraging them to also take a look at how they can better show trust to those around them.”

—Cody Hicks

“Fortunately, I was able to register early enough to get a ticket to see Stephen Covey speak in person in Jesse Hall. He idea he presented that caught my attention the most was framing trust as an economic driver, and not merely a social virtue. Mr. Covey pointed out that organizations high in trust outperformed low trust organizations in return to shareholders. That is an incredible difference and truly shows just how important trust is in any organization that desires economic success.

Mr. Covey also presented another idea that I found to be very interesting: you have to extend trust to receive trust. Most people, including myself, think trust is earned, and Mr. Covey pointed out that this is still true. However, he presented the idea trust as a two way street. In order to have a trusting relationship, both parties must extend trust to the other, as well as earn trust from the other.”

—Chris Laddin

“My one key takeaway from Mr. Covey’s lecture was that trust is currency. Trust is so valuable in our lives, especially when working with others at work or on a team. The way to build trust with others is to give trust. Leaders go first when it comes to extending trust, and that is something I will always keep in the back of my mind when I am beginning my career.”

—Madison Redmond

“I attended the Stephen Covey Speed of Trust event and the morning book discussion breakfast as well. It was a really insightful event and I learned a ton about the tangible effects (positive and negative) about trust. I thought Stephen’s points about the monetary effects of trust in his book were really interesting. The discussion of “taxes” and “dividends” resulting from the presence or lack of trust were very real and very applicable to every day business proceedings.

I also really enjoyed the practical takeaways that we had from his 13 principles and 4 cores of trust. He suggested that we select 2/13 principles to work on and one core to work on.”

—Cole Staus

“Covey explained that trust is vanishing from the workplace, causing it to become a new form of currency. After observing the decline in trust in society, Covey came up with 1 big ideas related to trust and how to maximize it. The first idea is that trust is an economic driver, not just a social virtue. The second big idea is that the #1 competency of leadership needed today. The third and final big idea is that trust is a learnable skill. His main point in regard to this idea is that you can develop trust, even if it’s not there in the first place.

The biggest thing that stuck with me from the presentation was the idea that leaders go first. Another idea that stuck with me, that also pairs perfectly with leaders going first, is the ripple effect of trust. When leaders go first in extending trust, it starts internally with themselves. Only after trusting themselves can the ripples extend to relationships, organizations, markets, and society. Covey closed his presentation by suggesting 1 key takeaway to begin applying to life: 1) start with yourself, 2) declare your intent, and 3) lead out in extending trust to others.”

—Peter Voskovitch

30 Years of Service: Inder Khurana
25 Years of Service: Jere Francis
15 Years of Service: Kristen Hockman & Chris Prestigiacomo
5 Years of Service: Stevie Neuman

Vairam Arunachalam was appointed to the Missouri Society of CPAs (MOCPA) Transformation Taskforce to examine changes in the profession and job markets. He was also appointed to MU’s Revenue Governance Oversight Subcommittee (a subcommittee of MU’s Resource Allocation Model Committee, on which he will continue his service as well).

Elise Bartley served as President and Karl Gingrich served as Director of the Missouri Accounting Educators Association (MAAE) for 2019.

Keith Czerney (and co-investigators from University of Illinois) received a $5,000 research grant from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Andrea Pawliczek and Will Demeré received the 2019 School of Accountancy Advisory Board Teaching Excellence Award.

Nathan Lundstrom graduated from the Accountancy PhD Program and accepted a position at the University of Kansas.

Elaine Mauldin is serving as President-Elect of the American Accounting Association (the nation’s largest association of accounting academics) for 2019-2020.

Stevie Neuman was appointed to the Editorial Board of The Journal of the American Taxation Association for 2018-2021.

Mark Prestigiacomo has been selected as a member of the MU Taskforce to Enhance Learning & Teaching.

2019 Outstanding Graduate Research Assistant Award
• Nargess Golshan

2019 Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award
• Nathan Lundstrom

Will Demeré had his co-authored article titled “Why managers shouldn’t have the final say in performance reviews” published in Harvard Business Review, June 2018. He also received the Journal of Management Accounting Research Best Reviewer Award for 2018. Will Demeré and Andrea Pawliczek also had their grant proposal funded by the UM Research Board.
AICPA Elijah Watt Sells Award Winner

The American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) has announced the 110 winners of the 2018 Elijah Watt Sells Award. To qualify for the award, CPA candidates must obtain a cumulative average score above 95.50 across all four sections of the Uniform CPA Examination, pass all four sections on their first attempt and have completed testing in 2018. Nearly 86,000 individuals sat for the CPA Exam in 2018 with 110 candidates meeting the criteria to receive the Elijah Watt Sells Award. Ted Spilde (MAcc 2019) was a proud recipient of the Elijah Watt Sells Award.

Ted Spilde (Minnesota), a graduate of Hamline University with a BBA in Accounting and Master of Accounting with Data and Analytics from the University of Missouri is employed with KPMG in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Advocate and Ambassador: Steve Hays (BSBA-Accountancy, 1980), President of MU Alumni Association

Steve Hays didn't grow up hearing stories about his parents' college days or favorite professors. No one in his family had ever been to college. He was happy to have graduated from Ritenour High School in North County St. Louis. "I didn't have any expectations," says Hays, BS BA '80, the Mizzou Alumni Association's new volunteer president. "When I went to Mizzou, it opened me up to a world of opportunity I never knew existed."

Now a partner of the public accounting firm RubinBrown LLP in St. Louis, Hays is committed to giving back to the university that gave him so much. "It's the least I can do. I would not be the person I am today without my experience at Mizzou." Hays has served not only in several roles for the Mizzou Alumni Association, including treasurer and vice president, but also as president of the Mizzou Tiger Club—St. Louis and a member of the School of Accountancy Advisory Board.

"Ever since I've known him, he's been so supportive of everything at Mizzou," says past MAA president Dudley McCarter, JD '75, who met Hays while playing on opposing recreational softball teams. "At first, I didn't like him because I could never get him out," McCarter recalls. "He had a great knack for getting on base."

They started running into each other at Mizzou events in St. Louis and at their kids' swim meets — the only two dads wearing Mizzou shirts. "Over the years, I've watched Steve continue to become more committed to Mizzou," McCarter says. "I know how much he loves the university and how hard he's going to work to make it better."

During his 2019–2020 term as association president, Hays plans to engage with alumni and encourage them to boost their involvement, whether through joining the association, participating in activities, volunteering time or giving money. "We are the state school of Missouri," says Hays, who is proud to have started a Mizzou tradition in his family — son Steven, BS Acc, M Acc '15, and daughter Laura, BS HES '16, are also graduates. "I want our alumni to be advocates and ambassadors for the school."

— Kelsey Allen, BA, BJ '10

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All in the Family!

Over the course of my tenure as director, I have had the honor and privilege of meeting and connecting with many Mizzou alumni. As I reflect on my meetings and connections, I would like to share some of our alumni’s reminiscences. In particular, I thought it would be interesting to speak to a couple (of many) families that have had more than one family member graduate with an accounting degree from Mizzou! In addition to the inspiration generated by their thoughts and reflections, I felt that it would underline what I have always been deeply impressed with in regard to our alumni: their inspiration generated by their thoughts and reflections, which resulted in some appropriate jeers from the crowd. I banked it in off the glass which resulted in some appropriate jeers from the crowd. The following day right at the start of my Business Consolidations class, Dr Dockweiler paused at the chalkboard, turned to face the class and said “By the way Jeff, nice free throw.” I still chuckle every time I think of that story.

All in the Family!

Vogel Family

Why did you decide to pursue accounting education? And why Mizzou?

LeRoy: I took a high school bookkeeping class and was inspired by the orderliness of accounting by the business education teacher.

Kids (Lisa, Jeff, Paul): Growing up in Bowling Green, we had exposure to a few professions (accounting, law, banking, etc.). However, at that time Bowling Green High School had a 2-year accounting class and an active FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America). Dad took an active role in our school activities and was often asked or volunteered to speak in our accounting or FBLA sessions, and his passion for accounting rubbed off. But, it didn’t just rub off on us. If you look at the number of Bowling Green graduates that pursued accounting from our respective classes and those surrounding us, the number was disproportionally high.

For a while, Mom and Dad had football season tickets so we got to experience the campus up close at a young age. Plus, two of us received Curators Scholarships which was an important factor. Since Mom and Dad were paying for our school, it wasn’t fair for us to walk away from what, back in those days, equated to something close to free freshman year of tuition.

When did you graduate? Briefly outline your career path after graduation.

LeRoy Vogel

BSBA, cum laude (1966)
Price Waterhouse (1966-1973) rising to Audit Manager.
(Note, Craig Bowan is LeRoy’s nephew (BSAcc 1996)

Lisa Vogel

BSAcc (1987)
Price Waterhouse (1987-1990) rising to Senior
LeRoy Vogel, CPA (1990-2009)
Craig E Bowen, CPA (2010 – present).

Paul Vogel

BSAcc (1989), MAcc (1990), JD (1993)
Price Waterhouse (1993-1997), rising to Senior Manager
Arthur Andersen (1997-1998), rising to Practice Leader
Enterprise Trust Company (1998-2007), President & CEO
Argos Family Office, LLC (2008-Present), Founder & CEO

Jeff Vogel

BSAcc (1990)
Arthur Andersen (1990-1994), rising to Senior
Williams Keepers (1994-2000), rising to Fireride’s Audit Manager
ABC Labs, Inc. (2000-2003), Chief Financial Officer
Financial Management Solutions LLC (2003-2004), Founder and President
Walsworth (2004-present), Chief Financial Officer

Do you have any special memories (totally serious, totally fun, or anywhere in between!) to share about your times at Mizzou?

LeRoy: One of my fondest memories is visiting the accounting department on a football Saturday morning almost 15 years after graduating and without intro Dr. Joe Silosso said “Vogel, where’d you get all that gray hair?” He then invited me back to be Professor for a Day.

Paul: My fondest memories of Mizzou center around my Greek and campus experiences. I was a FIJI and very involved in the chapter and in campus activities such as Greek Week and Homecoming Steering Committees. The students, faculty and administrators I had the pleasure to work with during my time at Mizzou are a big part of who I am, and they are still a large part of my personal and professional life today.

Jeff: My Senior year, the Mizzou basketball team beat KU… twice, and both times KU was ranked as the #1 team in the land. Our Tigers beat the Jayhawks late in the season in Lawrence when KU was ranked #1 and Mizzou was ranked #2. Earlier in the season, we beat them in the friendly confines of Hearnes Arena when Mizzou was #1 and KU was undefeated and held the #1 spot. I remember the game in Columbia especially well because I was pulled out of the crowd to compete in the Boone County Bank halftime shootout that included a lay-up, free throw, three-pointer and half-court shot. After easily making the lay-up and while standing at the free throw line, it suddenly came to me that I had almost 15,000 people and potentially a nation-wide TV audience watching me. The last thing that ran through my head before releasing my shot was, “just don’t leave it short” which, of course, caused me to be a little strong. I banked it in off the glass which resulted in some appropriate jeers from the crowd.

Here’s another interesting recollection from Jeff:

A brand new restaurant opened in Columbia my Senior year. This new restaurant, now a Mizzou staple, was called CJ’s Chicken Wings. A few buddies and I went to CJ’s on a football Saturday to watch some games (Mizzou was on the road) and try out these new wings. When looking at the menu we were intrugued by the BYFO wings… which stood for “burn your face off”. Showing no fear, the four of us ordered 30 BYFO wings along with a few cool refreshments. After many wings (and refreshments), our mouths were burning and we were looking for any way to put out the fire. Since they had no milk, I decided to order eight slices of wheat bread in...
hopes that it might absorb some of the spice. Apparently, that order made a lasting impression because every time I returned to CJ’s my Senior year, the entire staff called me Wheat Bread. As crazy as this may sound, to this day, it is not uncommon for people that I don’t know at either CJs or random people on the streets of Columbia to call me Wheat Bread. By way of example, just two years ago while visiting with Jim Sterk, I was introduced to Ashley Moore, Executive Associate Athletic Director for Mizzou. During the course of our discussion, Ashley casually mentioned that her husband had purchased CJ’s Wings. Barely ten seconds into my story, Ashley says with much excitement, “Are you telling me that you are Wheat Bread?” Since that time both Jim and Ashley call me Wheat Bread... and the legend grows. Too fun.

Can you describe or illustrate how Mizzou was/is special to you as an alumnus?

Paul: Mizzou made me a lot of who I am today. The caliber of the education, the culture around campus, and the dear friends I made are an important part of my life still today. My Mizzou experience opened my eyes to a “larger world” and prepared me to participate in whatever part of that world I chose. When you couple that with all of the Mizzou friends I still see today at Mizzou football/basketball games, business school or law school alumni functions, or part-time teaching, Mizzou is one of the places I cherish most.

Jeff: My father was the first generation of our family to attend college. His Mizzou education afforded him opportunities that were otherwise unforeseen for a young man with such a modest upbringing. By capitalizing on those opportunities, he forever changed the course of his professional and personal life... thereby, changing those of my entire family and me. The education I received, and the personal network I established while at Mizzou, have and continue to make a tremendous difference in my life.

Do you have any advice/wisdom for our students?

Paul: Pursue your passion, by being deliberate. Mizzou is a huge campus, with over 30,000 students. It can be overwhelming. They both suggest trying to make the campus feel smaller by joining business fraternities, campus feel smaller by joining business fraternities, or participating in clubs that interest you. Mizzou is a great platform for learning business. You get exposure to all of a business’s processes, and engage with high level executives”. This really resonated with Andrew as somebody who enjoys learning how businesses operate and eventually wanting to own a business. Brett has been a huge advocate for the Mizzou accounting program, citing its various national rankings, and the exposure to (and potential employment with) some of the largest professional service firms in the world. Brett had early exposure to the auditors of the hospital for which his dad was the Administrator. This sparked the curiosity to pursue accounting and, specifically, Mizzou as Brett always had the goal of playing football at Mizzou after going to his first game in the early 1970’s. Brett played football at Mizzou from 1981 – 1984, and Andrew also played from 2008 – 2009, following in his dad’s footsteps. Needless to say, there was a fair amount of successful Mizzou brainwashing in the Lewis house. Andrew’s sisters Natalie and Hannah graduated from Mizzou in 2015 (Sports Management) and 2015 (Education), respectively.

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TOP PROGRAM FOR TOP STUDENTS

Leading CPA pass rate
The average first-time pass rate on the Uniform CPA Examination is above 75 percent - impressive, as the average nationwide rate is below 50 percent.

500 students
Approximate number of students in the program. Our small size helps foster a unique sense of community with students.

Scholarships
Nearly $200,000 in scholarships are awarded by the School of Accountancy annually in addition to University of Missouri scholarships.

Internships
Almost all students complete a professional accounting internship for academic credit. Above 75 percent result in full-time placement.

Jobs and Salary
Above 95% placement rate for graduates with an average starting salary well above $50,000.

Not Just Public Accounting
Though the program is geared towards public accounting, students also take positions with corporations, governmental agencies, non-profits, and start their own firms.

CAREER PREPARATION

Today’s successful accountant needs a breadth of skills. CPAs are essential to good stewardship of a company’s goals and assets, understanding the dynamic marketplace and the bottom-line impact of major business decisions.

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES EXIST AT TRULASKE?

Accounting Student Organizations
Association of Accountancy Students, Beta Alpha Psi, National Association of Black Accountants, NASBA-CPT

Specialization Track
Graduate Certificate in Taxation and Assurance

Business Case Competitions
Deloitte Audit & Tax Competitions, KPMG International Case Competition, PwC xACT and xTax Competitions, AICPA Case Competition

Speaker Series
We bring in experts in accounting to share industry insight.

Uses of the Accounting Graduate Supplemental Fee

- 150-Hour Program staff and faculty
- Orientation events
- Graduation events
- Teaching resources
- Databases (e.g., RIA tax database + FASB Codification database)
- Newsletter and alumni/recruiter relations

Forthcoming Events

Kathleen McGee
Counsel, Lowenstein Sandler LLP

Dawdy Speaker Series

Friday, April 17, 2020
10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Bush Auditorium
Cornell Hall

Kathleen is a highly accomplished technology and regulatory lawyer and former prosecutor with more than 17 years’ experience in the public sector. Her practice has a dual focus on compliance and investigations.

As Bureau Chief of the Bureau of Internet & Technology for the New York State Attorney General’s Office, Kathleen was at the forefront of regulation, enforcement initiatives, and public policy involving privacy, data security, and consumer protection, among other issues. Earlier in her career, she served as Director of the Office of Special Enforcement in the New York City Mayor’s Office, where, as lead counsel, she directed litigation on a number of intellectual property and civil nuisance matters and was a policy leader on issues ranging from data analytics to human trafficking. While with the Mayor’s Office, Kathleen also developed the New Business Acceleration Team to streamline regulations and fast-track new business development. Kathleen started her legal career as an Assistant District Attorney for the Bronx County District Attorney’s Office in New York, where she prosecuted domestic violence, child abuse, and sex crimes.

Kathleen serves on the board of EdReports, an independent nonprofit designed to improve education by providing reviews of K-12 instructional materials, as well as the Tyler Rigg Foundation, a family foundation that supports organizations and seedling projects whose work involves bold ideas ranging from social welfare, youth empowerment, disability issues and environmental stewardship.

In her talk, Ms. McGee will review the recent efforts by law enforcement to address criminal and civil concerns of the rapidly growing tech sector, from the emergence of cryptocurrencies to the manipulation and concealment of private information.

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In Memoriam

Professor Rachel Wilson was a passionate educator and held a special place for students and MU. Her intellectual abilities and lifelong passion for education had a significant impact on her students and those around her. She was most particularly interested in the area of taxation and taught courses on individual and corporate taxation, tax research, multi-jurisdictional taxation, and mergers & acquisitions taxation. She served and mentored numerous students both in and out of the classroom. Since her passing on March 31, 2019, the Rachel Wilson Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established by the School of Accountancy in the Trulaske College of Business at MU, in conjunction with alumni, students, family, and friends. The goal of this fund is to honor Rachel and to memorialize her lifelong interest in supporting students and their education. Rachel's legacy is carried out through this endowment. Your gift to the scholarship honors her legacy and will help students achieve their educational goals. Contributions may be made at http://mizzougivedirect.missouri.edu/Item.aspx?item_id=630 or by mailing your donations (marked “Rachel Wilson Memorial Scholarship”) to the MU School of Accountancy, Trulaske College of Business, 303 Cornell Hall, Columbia MO 65211-2600.