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Education

The University of Texas at Austin, McCombs School of Business **Austin, TX**
PhD in Accounting, August 2023 (expected)

The University of Texas at Austin, McCombs School of Business **Austin, TX**
Master in Professional Accounting (MPA), May 2010

The University of Texas at Austin, McCombs School of Business **Austin, TX**
Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)
in Accounting and Business Honors Program, May 2010
Study Abroad at The University of Edinburgh, Summer 2006

Research

Research Method: Financial Experimental

Research Interests: Investor and manager judgment and decision-making, standard setting, sustainability disclosures

Dissertation

“Investor Responses to Emotion-Laden ESG Disclosures”

Committee members: Jeffrey Hales (Co-Chair), Brian J. White (Co-Chair), Eric Hirst, Lisa Koonce, and Julie Irwin

Presented at AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium

Works in Progress

“Do Mandatory Climate Reporting Guidelines Induce Shifts in Managerial Decision Making?” with Jesse Chan.

“The Effects of Sequential Decision Making on the Comparability of Preparer Judgments: Evidence from ASC 606” with Shana Clor-Proell and Brian White, developed from 2nd year summer paper

Book Chapters

Bernhardt, N., **M. Ellison**, K. Rennekamp, and B.J. White. (2023). “Language in Financial Disclosures.” In the *Handbook of Financial Decision Making* (Elgar Publishing).

Published Discussions

“The World According to GAARP: A Discussion of Elliott, Loftus and Winn” with Brian White.

Invited discussion for *Contemporary Accounting Research*. To be published with conference paper.

Teaching

St. Edward's University

Adjunct Accounting Professor

Financial Accounting for Managers Fall 2016 - 2019
(MBA Core Course, Average Instructor Rating: 3.8/4)

Cost Accounting Fall 2015 -2019
(Graduate-Level Course, Average Instructor Rating: 3.7/4)

Governmental and Non-Profit Accounting Spring 2018 - 2019
(Graduate-Level Course, Average Instructor Rating: 3.7/4)

Managerial Accounting Summer 2015
(Undergraduate-Level Course, Average Instructor Rating: 3.9/4)

Internal Auditing Summer 2014 - 2015
(Graduate-Level Course, Average Instructor Rating: 3.7/4)

The University of Texas at Austin

Teaching Assistant

Honors Financial Accounting, Eric Hirst Fall 2023

Corporate Sustainability, Jeffrey Hales Fall 2022

Global Business Sustainability, Jeffrey Hales Fall 2021 - 2022

The University of Texas at Austin

MPA Bootcamp Coordinator 2022-present

MPA Bootcamp Instructor 2020-present

Professional Experience

St. Edwards University, Adjunct Accounting Professor 2014 – 2019

RetailMeNot, Senior Accounting Analyst 2013 – 2015

Assisted with S-1 filings for IPO

Dell – Global Audit Senior Advisor 2010 – 2013

Consulting projects based in India, the Philippines, Brazil, and Ireland

Dell – Corporate Audit Intern 2009

Ernst & Young – Audit Intern 2009

IBM – Internal Audit Intern 2008

University of Texas Internal Audit – Audit Intern 2007

Professional Certifications & Memberships

American Accounting Association, ABO and FARS Sections 2020 – present

Society for Judgment and Decision Making 2020 – present

Certified Public Accountant, Texas License: 098350 2010 – present

Certified Internal Auditor 2011

Additional Education & Awards

- 2023 AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow
- 2023 McCombs-Provost PhD Research Fund
- 2023 AAA Architecture of Inclusion - DEIB Foundations I and II Certificate
- 2023 Eugene and Dora Bonham Memorial Fund
- 2022 FASB Doctoral Student Program Fellow
- 2021 Eugene and Dora Bonham Memorial Fund
- 2020 William Ezzel Scholarship, AICPA
- 2020 Eugene and Dora Bonham Memorial Fund
- 2020 Intro to Data Analysis and Graphics Using R, University of Texas Summer Statistics Institute
- 2019 University-Wide Outstanding Teacher Award Finalist, St. Edward's University
- 2018 SAS for Accounting Bootcamp, Texas A&M University
- 2010 Dean's Award for Academic Excellence
- 2010 Sommerfeld Scholar

Invited Presentations

- 2023 4C HSE Conference - "Evolution of Disclosure Landscape in Oil and Gas Industry"
- 2023 4C HSE Conference - "PROVE IT - Accountability & Audit for Net Zero"
panel with Maris Densmore, American Carbon Registry and
Robyn Wille, Colorado Attorney General's Office
- 2024 (*Scheduled*) 4C HSE Conference - "Disclosure Landscape in Oil and Gas Industry"

Conference Participation

- 2023[‡] AAA Annual Meeting
- 2023^{*} AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium
- 2023[†] FARS Midyear Meeting
- 2022[‡] ABO Midyear Meeting
- 2022[‡] JFR Improving Financial Reporting Conference
- 2022[†] FARS Midyear Meeting
- 2022[†] AAA Annual Meeting
- 2022 FARS Midyear Meeting and Doctoral Consortium
- 2021[‡] CAR Annual Meeting and Doctoral Consortium
- 2021^{†‡} ABO Midyear Meeting and Doctoral Consortium
- 2021 Palmetto Symposium
- 2021 FARS Midyear Meeting and Doctoral Consortium
- 2020 PhD Symposium on Market Research and Policy, Salem Center, University of Texas
- 2020 ABO Midyear Meeting

*presenter; † reviewer; ‡ discussant

Service

McCombs School of Business Accounting Behavioral Reading Group Coordinator	2022-present
McCombs School of Business PhD Advisory Council	2022-2023
Ad-hoc reviewer: AAA FARS Midyear meeting	2022, 2023
Ad-hoc reviewer: AAA Sustainability, ESG, and Accounting Conference	2023
Ad-hoc reviewer: <i>Accounting Horizons</i>	2022
Ad-hoc reviewer: AAA Annual Meeting	2022
Ad-hoc reviewer: AAA ABO Midyear meeting	2021

Positions in the Community

Den Leader – Scouts of America	2022-present
Children’s Class Instructor (volunteer) – The Virtues Project	2008-present
Independent Financial Auditor (volunteer) – Bahais of Austin	2010-2020
Secretary and Financial Advisor – Covenant UMC Preschool	2017-2019

References

Jeffrey Hales (co-chair)

Charles T. Zlatkovich Centennial Professor of Accounting
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Brian J. White (co-chair)

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Lisa Koonce

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