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Education

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Ph.D. in Business Administration, *expected 2021*

Emphasis: Accounting

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

Master of Accountancy, *2014*

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Summa cum laude, *2014*

Major: Accounting

Minor: Finance and Sports Management

Professional Certification

Certified Public Accountant, Arkansas, since *2015* (currently inactive)

Certified Management Accountant, since *2016* (currently inactive)

Research Interests

Auditing, international accounting, mergers and acquisitions

Working Papers

“Common Auditors in Mergers and Acquisitions: The Impact on Post-Acquisition Financial Reporting Quality and Audit Fees” with Andrew J. Doucet, Linda A. Myers, and Kathleen Schuchard

- Presenter – University of Tennessee Workshop Series, *2018*
- Presenter – AAA Auditing Section Midyear Meeting, *2019*

“Associations and Networks of International Accounting Firms” with Lauren M. Cunningham, Xiao Li, and Linda A. Myers

Service

Discussant, AAA International Accounting Section Midyear Meeting, *2019*

Reviewer, AAA International Accounting Section Midyear Meeting, *2019*

Reviewer, AAA Auditing Section Midyear Meeting, *2019*

Vice President, University of Tennessee Chinese Students and Scholars Association, *2018-2019*

Conference Attendance

Tennessee Accounting Research Symposium (TARS), *2017 and 2018*

Southeast Summer Accounting Research Conference (SESARC), *2017 and 2018*

Work Experience

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Professor Lauren M. Cunningham, *2018 – present*

Professor Linda A. Myers, *2017*

Professor Kathleen Schuchard, *2017 – 2018*

Finance Costing Accountant, *2015 – 2017*

Tyson Foods, Inc. – Shanghai, China

Accountant – International Financial Reporting, *2014 – 2015*

Tyson Foods, Inc. – Springdale, AR

Awards

Tennessee Fellowship for Graduate Excellence, University of Tennessee, *2017 – present*

First Ranked Senior Scholar, University of Arkansas, *2014*

Outstanding Senior, University of Arkansas, *2013*

Outstanding Junior, University of Arkansas, *2012*

Arkansas Traveler Award, *2012*