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## Academic Experience

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**University of Tennessee, Knoxville** 2025 – present  
Assistant Professor of Accountancy

## Education and Relevant Certifications

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**University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT** 2020 – 2025  
Doctor of Philosophy – Accounting

**University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC**  
Master of Accountancy – Taxation Track 2013  
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration 2012  
Majors: Accounting and Finance

**Certified Public Accountant** (South Carolina: License #9117)

## Research

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### Interests

Real Effects of Tax Policy; Tax Policy Effectiveness; Taxes and Business Strategy

### Published and Accepted Papers

“*Tax Havens and Reputational Costs*” with Frank Murphy and Mary Vernon. 2025. *Journal of Accounting and Economics*. 79. (2 – 3).

### Working Papers

“*Are Individual Investors Tax Savvy? Revaluating Individual Investors using Robinhood Data*” with Nathan Goldman (North Carolina State University), Samantha Liew (University of Connecticut), and Frank Murphy (University of Connecticut)

- Initial submission to *The Accounting Review*
- Presentations: University of Connecticut\* (2024); UNC Tax Symposium (2025)

“*Tax Audits and Accounting Labor Investment*” with Trent Krupa (Pennsylvania State University) and Michele Mullaney (Indiana University)

- Presentations: UConn PhD Alumni Conference\* (2025); University of Oklahoma\* (2025); Vanderbilt University\* (2025); FARS Midyear Meeting\* (2026, planned); ATA Midyear Meeting\* (2026, planned)

“*Reputational Spillovers of Tariff Policy: Evidence from Foreign Tourism to the United States*” with Fabio Gaertner (University of Wisconsin-Madison) and Mary Vernon (University of Illinois Chicago)

- Presentations: North Carolina State University\* (2025); University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign\* (2025)

“*The Effect of Interest Expense Deductibility on Private Equity Buyouts*” (Dissertation)

- Dissertation committee: Steven Utke (Chair), Todd Kravet, Frank Murphy, George Plesko, and David Weber
- Presentations: University of Connecticut (2024); University of Mississippi (2024); University of New Hampshire (2024); Auburn University (2024); Oklahoma State University (2024); Colorado State University (2024); University of Oklahoma (2024); Florida State University (2024); University of Virginia-Darden (2024); University of Tennessee (2024)

“*New Insight into Oversight: Institutional Investor Monitoring and Tax Avoidance*” with Steven Utke (University of Connecticut)

- Presentations: University of Connecticut (2021); National Tax Association Annual Meeting (2023)

## Works in Progress

“*Can Firms Overinvest in Financial Reporting Labor? Evidence from Private Equity Takeovers*” with Todd Kravet (University of Connecticut) and Trent Krupa (Pennsylvania State University)

## Conference Participation

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- UConn PhD Alumni Conference October 2025
- UNC Tax Symposium (Presenter) March 2025
- New England Accounting Research Symposium February 2025
- ATA Midyear Meeting February 2025
- AAA Annual Meeting (Discussant) August 2024
- New England Accounting Research Symposium March 2024
- ATA Midyear Meeting February 2024
- National Tax Association Annual Conference (Presenter, Discussant) November 2023
- *Contemporary Accounting Research* Conference November 2023
- LBS/Stanford London Tax Conference June 2023
- Texas Tax Theory Seminar – UT Austin May 2023

- ATA Midyear Meeting February 2023
- AAA Annual Meeting (Virtual) August 2022
- EAISM Taxation Conference (Presenter; Virtual) July 2022
- ATA Midyear Meeting (Discussant) February 2022
- OSU Tax Research Symposium (Virtual) May 2021
- FARS Midyear Meeting (Virtual) January 2021
- Texas/Waterloo Tax Symposium (Virtual) September 2020

## Service

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- AAA-Annual Meeting, Reviewer 2024
- AAA-ATA Midyear Meeting, Reviewer 2022, 2023, 2024
- AAA-FARS Midyear Meeting, Reviewer 2023, 2024, 2025
- CAAA Annual Conference, Reviewer 2024
- Student-feedback Panel Member during AACSB Accreditation Process 2021
- University of Connecticut Tax Readings Group 2020 – 2025

Ad-hoc Reviewer:

*Journal of Contemporary Accounting & Economics; Journal of International Accounting, Auditing and Taxation*

## Teaching Experience

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### University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Taxation of Partnerships and S Corporations Fall 2025

- 37 MAcc Students (1 section); Average Instructor Rating: *In Process*

Introduction to Financial Accounting Fall 2025

- 118 Undergraduate Students (2 sections); Average Instructor Rating: *In Process*

### University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

Principles of Managerial Accounting – Instructor of Record Spring 2024

- 70 Undergraduate Students (2 sections); Average Instructor Rating: 4.70/5.00

Principles of Managerial Accounting – Instructor of Record Fall 2023

- 81 Undergraduate Students (2 sections); Average Instructor Rating: 4.65/5.00

### University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

Introduction to Financial Accounting – Recitation Leader Fall 2012, Spring 2013

## Personal Honors and Awards

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- University of Connecticut School of Business Ph.D. Teaching Award 2024
- University of Connecticut Accounting Department Ph.D. Teaching Award 2024
- Sylvia Santiago Memorial Doctoral Scholarship 2023
- Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship 2023
- University of Connecticut Dean’s Summer Fellowship 2021, 2022, 2023
- University of Connecticut Pre-Doctoral Fellowship 2021, 2022
- AICPA Accounting Doctoral Scholars Program 2020
- Ted Rosenberg and Mary F. McVay Scholarship 2020
- Boston Marathon Qualifier 2017, 2018, 2023
- Grand Canyon R2R2R 2019

### **Professional Experience**

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**Perkins & Co** (formerly Radix Accounting) September 2018 – May 2020  
 Portland, OR  
 Tax Manager

**BKD, LLP** September 2015 – June 2018  
 Lincoln, Nebraska  
 Tax Manager, Senior Tax Associate II, Senior Tax Associate

**Grant Thornton, LLP** October 2013 – August 2015  
 Columbia, SC  
 Tax Associate

### **Professional Organizations**

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- American Accounting Association (AAA) Current
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Current
- National Tax Association (NTA) Current