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# EDUCATION

**University of Kentucky - Gatton College of Business & Economics**

Doctor of Philosophy in Accounting: 2022

# Southern Utah University – School of Business

Master of Accountancy, Concentration in Taxation: 2016 Bachelor of Science in Accounting, Magna Cum Laude: 2015

# ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

**Idaho State University – College of Business**

Assistant Professor of Accounting: 2022 - present

# University of Kentucky - Gatton College of Business & Economics

Research Assistant, Teaching Assistant, and Lecturer: 2017 - 2022

# RESEARCH

## Interests

Judgment and decision-making research in accounting, including issues related to auditor evidence collection, fraud detection, whistleblowing, and information systems.

## Publication

Dennis, S.A., B.M. Goodson, and C.A. Pearson. 2020. Online worker fraud and evolving threats to the integrity of MTurk data: A discussion of Virtual Private Servers and the limitations of IP- based screening procedures. *Behavioral Research in Accounting* 32 (1): 119-134.

## Working Paper

An Experimental Investigation of Work Division and Auditor Performance. Based on the first experiment from my dissertation at the University of Kentucky. Preparing for journal submission.

## Research in Progress

How and Why Does the PCAOB Sanction Auditors? An Analysis of PCAOB Enforcement Actions. With Erik Boyle (Idaho State University), Sean Dennis (University of Central Florida), and Brian Goodson (Clemson University). Refining post-data collection draft.

Getting Political: Audit Partners’ Ideological Beliefs and Tax Avoidance. With Valbona Sulcaj (University of Texas – El Paso). Working on post data-collection draft.

The Effects of Personality on Accounting Major Choice. With Mary Pearson (Southern Utah University). Working on developing an instrument for data collection.

# MEDIA MENTIONS

“MTurk Research by UK’s Gatton College Faculty Making Waves,” U KNOW, October 15, 2018.

“How Venezuela’s economic crisis is undermining social science research – about everything,”

W ashington Post, November 7, 2018.

# ACADEMIC SERVICE

## Ad Hoc Journal Review

Journal of Forensic Accounting Research 2019 – 2021

## Conference Presentation

AAA ABO Conference 2021

## Conference Discussant

AAA Annual Meeting 2020

## Conference Reviewer

AAA ABO Conference 2021

AAA Annual Meeting 2020

AAA Audit Midyear 2018, 2020, 2021

## Conference Moderator

AAA Annual Meeting 2021

AAA Audit Midyear 2019

***Conference Attendee***

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| AAA Annual Meeting | 2020, 2021 |
| AAA Auditing Midyear | 2019, 2020, 2021 |
| AAA ABO Doctoral Consortium | 2019 |
| AAA Auditing Midyear Doctoral Consortium | 2019 |
| BYU Accounting Research Symposium | 2018 |

***Internal – Idaho State University***

Hiring Committee Member 2022

Promotion & Tenure - Committee Member 2023

## Internal - University of Kentucky

PhD Policy Committee, PhD Student Representative 2020 – 2021

# GRANTS AND AWARDS

Gatton Teaching Excellence Award, University of Kentucky 2021

Luckett Fellowship, University of Kentucky 2021

Gatton Teaching Fellowship, University of Kentucky 2020 - 2021

Gatton Doctoral Fellowship, University of Kentucky 2017 - 2022

Von Allmen Fellowship, University of Kentucky 2017 - 2022

# TEACHING

## Idaho State University

Accounting Information Systems (1 section – Fall 2022) Avg. Rating: 4.4/5.0 Financial Accounting II (2 sections – Fall 2022) Avg. Rating: 4.7/5.0

## University of Kentucky

Auditing (1 section – Spring 2022) Avg. Rating: 4.7/5.0 MBA Accounting Bootcamp (1 section – August 2020) No rating requested Introduction to Financial Accounting (2 sections – Spring 2020) Avg. Rating: 4.7/5.0 Introduction to Financial Accounting (2 sections – Spring 2019) Avg. Rating: 4.5/5.0

# PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Deloitte, Las Vegas, NV – Audit Associate 2016 – 2017

The Leavitt Group, Cedar City, UT – Direct Bill Entry 2015 – 2016

Deloitte, Las Vegas, NV – Audit Intern 2015

The Leavitt Group, Cedar City, UT – Regional Controller Assistant 2014 - 2015

**VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

Preparer, Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) 2014

Preparer/Reviewer, Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) 2015

# PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION AND AFFILIATON

Licensed Certified Public Accountant (Kentucky) 2018 – Present

Member, American Accounting Association 2018 – Present