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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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**University of Kentucky** August 2022-Present  
Assistant Professor

### EDUCATION

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**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign** May 2022  
Doctor of Philosophy in Accountancy

**The University of Texas at Austin** May 2007  
Master in Professional Accounting  
Bachelor of Business Administration

### RESEARCH

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#### Research Interests

Judgment and decision making in auditing; Individual differences; Audit innovation; Professional skepticism

#### Publication

Brewster, B.E., A.J. Johanns, M.E. Peecher, and I. Solomon. 2021. Do Stronger Wise-Thinking Dispositions Facilitate Auditors' Objective Evaluation of Evidence When Assessing and Addressing Fraud Risk? *Contemporary Accounting Research* 38 (3): 1679-1711. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1911-3846.12684>

#### Dissertation

“Desirable Effects and Undesirable Side Effects of Interventions Aimed to Improve Auditors’ Exercise of Professional Skepticism”

- Committee: Mark Peecher (Chair), Jessen Hobson, Kim Mendoza, Dan Zhou, Chris Napolitano
- Winner of 2019 Center for Audit Quality Research Advisory Board Funding Grant
- Presented at 2021 AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium, 2021 Accounting PhD Rookie Recruiting and Research Camp, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the University of Kentucky
- Preparing for journal submission

#### Working Papers

“Does Innovation in Workpaper Preparation Lead to Reduced Audit Review Effectiveness?”  
(with Rachel Lyman and Kim Mendoza)

- Preparing for journal submission

“Does Artificial Intelligence Deter Artificial Reporting? How Client Perceptions of Auditor Objectivity Influence Misreporting Behaviors” (with Kim Mendoza and Ryan Sommerfeldt)

- Under review at *The Accounting Review*

### Works in Progress

“Algorithm Aversion in Fraud Risk Assessment: Implications of Technological Innovation for Professional Skepticism” (with Mark Peecher)

- Winner of 2021 KPMG Academic Research Program Grant
- Data collection with professional participants ongoing

## TEACHING

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### University of Kentucky

Auditing (Student Rating: 4.4/5.0) Fall 2022

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Accounting Institutions and Regulation (Student Rating: 4.4/5.0 - online) Summer 2020

Teaching Assistant, Advanced Accounting (Michael Kustanovich) Summer 2019

Accounting Institutions and Regulation (Student Rating: 4.7/5.0) Summer 2018

Teaching Assistant, Assurance and Attestation (Dr. Anne Thompson) Spring 2018

Teaching Assistant, Assurance and Attestation (Dr. Tim Bauer) Fall 2017

## PAPER PRESENTATIONS

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“Desirable Effects and Undesirable Side Effects of Interventions Aimed to Improve Auditors’ Exercise of Professional Skepticism”

- University of Kentucky January 2022
- Accounting PhD Rookie Recruiting and Research Camp December 2021
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign October 2021
- AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium June 2021

“Does Innovation in Workpaper Preparation Lead to Reduced Audit Review Effectiveness?”

- Miami University (scheduled) February 2023
- DePaul University\* November 2021

“Does Artificial Intelligence Deter Artificial Reporting? How Client Perceptions of Auditor Objectivity Influence Misreporting Behaviors”

- Arizona State University\* October 2022
- ABO Research Conference\* October 2022
- BYU Accounting Research Symposium\* September 2021

\* = Presented by co-author

## SERVICE

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VASOA Technology Innovation and Integration Committee 2022-Present

AAA Membership Advisory Committee 2021-Present

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Accounting, Organizations and Society* 2019-Present

AICPA COVID-19 Student Hardship Grant Judge 2022

Auditing Section Midyear Meeting (Reviewer) 2022

Illinois Accountancy Research Lab Coordinator 2020-2022

AICPA Foundation CPA Exam Scholarship Judge 2021

AICPA Legacy Scholarship Judge 2021

Junior Accounting Scholars Organization (Panelist) 2021

24 <sup>th</sup> Illinois Symposium on Auditing Research (Reviewer)	2020
23 <sup>rd</sup> Illinois Symposium on Auditing Research (Reviewer)	2018

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

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2023 Deloitte Foundation Trueblood Seminar for Professors (scheduled)	2023
2023 AAA New Faculty Consortium (scheduled)	2023
Accounting Doctoral Scholars Program Orientation Conference (Panelist)	2022
25 <sup>th</sup> Illinois Symposium on Auditing Research	2022
14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Center for Audit Quality Symposium	2022
Auditing Section Midyear Meeting (Moderator and Discussant)	2022
Auditing Section Doctoral Consortium	2022
Accounting PhD Rookie Recruiting and Research Camp	2021
Accounting Behavior and Organizations Research Conference (Discussant)	2021
Accounting Behavior and Organizations Doctoral Consortium	2021
AAA Annual Meeting	2021
13 <sup>th</sup> Annual Center for Audit Quality Symposium	2021
AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium	2021
UIUC Young Scholars Research Symposium V	2021
Auditing Section Midyear Meeting (Moderator)	2021
Auditing Section Doctoral Consortium	2021
Accounting Behavior and Organizations Research Conference	2020
Accounting Behavior and Organizations Doctoral Consortium	2020
24 <sup>th</sup> Illinois Symposium on Auditing Research	2020
4 <sup>th</sup> Illinois Audit Doctoral Consortium	2020
12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Center for Audit Quality Symposium	2020
Auditing Section Midyear Meeting	2020
Auditing Section Doctoral Consortium	2020
Accounting Doctoral Scholars Program Orientation Conference (Panelist)	2019
11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Center for Audit Quality Symposium	2019
23 <sup>rd</sup> Illinois Symposium on Auditing Research	2018
3 <sup>rd</sup> Illinois Audit Doctoral Consortium	2018

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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Gies Business Alumni Association Excellence-in-Teaching Award	2022
AICPA Foundation Accounting Doctoral Program Scholar	2017-2022
KPMG Academic Research Program Grant	2021
Kenneth P. Santee Graduate Fellowship	2020-2021
Fred H. Figge Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award	2019, 2021
List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students	2018, 2020
AICPA Foundation William (Bill) Ezzell Scholarship	2019
Center for Audit Quality Research Advisory Board Funding Grant	2019
Joseph E. and Ouida Wald Zwisler Fellowship	2019
Marvin and Nancy Dennis Doctoral Fellowship	2019

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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<b>PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP</b> , Austin, Texas Assurance Senior Manager	2007-2017
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## **MEMBERSHIP AND CERTIFICATIONS**

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Junior Accounting Scholars Organization (JASO)

2021-Present

American Accounting Association (AAA)

2019-Present

Certified Public Accountant, Texas

2008-Present