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Education

University of Missouri-Columbia

Ph.D., Accounting May 2018

University of Central Missouri

M.S., Actuarial Science and Statistics May 2014

M.A., Accountancy December 2013

North China Electric Power University

B.A., Accountancy July 2011

Teaching Interests

Cost and Managerial Accounting; Financial Accounting

Research Interests

Determinants and Consequences of Transparency; Role of Auditing in Capital Market

Dissertation

Redacted Disclosure and Analysts' Weighting of Private and Public Information

Publication

Khurana, I. K., and Zhao, L. (2019). Does the JOBS Act Reduce Compliance Costs of Emerging Growth Companies? Theory and Evidence. *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory (gold)*, 38(4), 151-175.

Working Papers

“Executive Fraud Opportunity and Audit Fees” with *Kenneth Shaw*, Accepted for presentation at the 2017 AAA annual meeting

“Redacted Disclosure and Analysts' Weighting of Private and Public Information”, Accepted for presentation at 2018 American Accounting Association annual meeting, 2019 European Accounting Association annual conference

“Does Textual Disclosure Quality of Annual Reports affect Analysts' Weighting of Information” with *Xiaoxiao Yu*

Research Presentations

EAA Annual Meeting May 30, 2019

AAA Annual Meeting Aug 6, 2018

AAA/Deloitte/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Jun 16, 2017

AAA Annual Meeting Aug 8, 2016

University of Missouri-Columbia Oct. 30, 2015

Teaching

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| Financial Accounting | 2020 - Present |
| Overall Teaching Evaluation Score: 3.63 on a 1-4 scale | |
| Accounting for Decision Making | 2018 - 2020 |
| Overall Teaching Evaluation Score: 3.82 on a 1-4 scale | |
| Introduction to Financial Accounting | 2015, 2016 |
| Overall Teaching Evaluation Score: 4.42 and 4.45 on a 1-5 scale | |

Awards & Honors

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| AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow | 2017 |
| AAA FARS Doctoral Consortium | 2016 |
| Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award, University of Missouri | 2017 |
| Kenneth Dimitry Memorial Scholarship, University of Missouri | 2016 |
| Raymond and Susan Chen Scholarship, University of Missouri | 2015 – 2017 |
| Full-tuition Scholarship, University of Central Missouri | 2012 – 2014 |

Employment

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|---|----------------|
| Assistant Professor, Saint Louis University | 2018 – Present |
| Graduate Assistant, University of Missouri-Columbia | 2014 – 2018 |
| Teaching Assistant, University of Central Missouri | 2013 – 2014 |
| Research Assistant, University of Central Missouri | 2012 – 2013 |
| Intern, Financial Assistant, KMOS-TV, KTBG-FM, Warrensburg, MO | 2012 – 2014 |
| Accounting Intern, Datang Intl Power Generational Co., Ltd, China | 2011 |

Service

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|---|----------------|
| Math Business Committee Member | 2020 - Present |
| Reviewer, Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance | 2019 - Present |
| Co-Advisor, Beta Alpha Psi Faculty | 2020 |
| Saint Louis University Accounting Enrollment Task Force | 2019 |
| Discussant, AAA Annual Meeting | 2017, 2018 |
| Reviewer, AAA Annual Meeting | 2017, 2018 |