

Management Accounting Section (MAS)
Candidate's Biography and Statement of Intent for the MAS
2021-2022 Section Election

The International Accounting Section Nominations Committee announces the candidates for President-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer.

Current candidates for the 2021-2022 Section positions and their biographies and statements of intent are listed below. The election will open on Friday, March 26, 2021.

President-Elect:

Michael Williamson, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign



Biography

Michael Williamson is the A.C. Littleton Professor of Accountancy at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Prior to joining the faculty at the University of Illinois, he served on the faculty at the University of Texas at Austin. Michael received his Ph.D. from Indiana University.

Michael's research explores the impact of performance evaluation and reward system design on employee productivity, risk taking, creativity, and other innovative activities. For this research, he has received recognitions such as the Best Early-Career Researcher in Management Accounting Award, the Impact on Management Accounting Practice Award, and the Notable Contribution to the Management Accounting Literature Award. Michael currently serves as an editor of *Accounting, Organizations and Society*. Prior to this role, he served as an editor for the *Journal of Management Accounting Research* and *The Accounting Review*.

Michael teaches undergraduate, graduate, and executive management accounting courses. He also teaches doctoral courses covering behavioral accounting research. For his teaching, he has received recognitions such as the Regents Outstanding Teaching Award and the Outstanding Educator Award in an Executive MBA program at the University of Texas. He has also appeared on the List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students at the University of Illinois.

Michael Williamson
Statement of Interest
AAA Management Accounting Section President-Elect Position

Thank you for considering me for the role of President of the Management Accounting Section. The scholars of the Management Accounting Section have meant a tremendous amount to me both professionally and personally. While in my doctoral program, I looked forward to the Management Accounting Section doctoral consortium every year, where I had the chance to interact with top scholars in a comfortable setting as well as fellow students who developed into coauthors and lifelong friends.

Today, the section's scholars from around the world continue to be a source of collaboration, advice, mentorship, and friendship.

Because the Management Accounting Section has meant so much to me and my career, I have tried to give back to the section. After serving on the *Journal of Management Accounting Research* Editorial Board for several years, I served as an (Associate) Editor for several more. I co-organized two of the section's midyear meetings. I have also served on many committees such as our publications committee and various best paper committees.

If elected, I will work closely with recent section leaders and our members to further important priorities in our section. I am especially eager to continue to build and engage our international membership. Relatedly, I want to continue to promote diversity within our section, in terms of topics, methods, and backgrounds. I hope to find ways to bring more of our diverse members together at events that have meant so much to me, such as our midyear meeting, whether that be physically or virtually. I will also strive to work with our members and partners to further strengthen our connections with practice, with respect to both research and teaching. In short, I would like to continue the great work of those that have come before me.

Thank you again for considering me for this important role. I would be humbled and honored to serve in this capacity.

Secretary/Treasurer:

Tim Mitchell, University of Massachusetts Amherst



Biography:

Tim Mitchell is a clinical associate professor in the Isenberg School of Management at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Mitchell earned his Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky and his B.S. from Auburn University.

Mitchell's research uses theories from economics and psychology to investigate aspects of incentive systems. His work has been published in *The Journal of Management Accounting Research*.

Tim Mitchell
Statement of Interest
AAA Management Accounting Section Secretary/Treasurer Position

I have been an active member of the AAA and the Management Accounting Section since I was a doctoral student at the University of Kentucky. During that time I have benefited from the support of colleagues in the Management Accounting Section.

While I can never fully repay the Management Accounting Section for that support, I have consistently

contributed by serving as a reviewer and a discussant for conferences supported by the Management Accounting Section. In 2018, I served on the committee to plan the Management Accounting Section Teaching Symposium; and, in 2019, I chaired that committee. Last year, I served on the Jim Bulloch Award Committee. It would be my honor and privilege to further serve the Management Accounting Section as Secretary/Treasurer.

I appreciate your consideration, and I look forward to my continued future involvement with the Management Accounting Section.