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2026 Inductees to The Accounting Hall of Fame

Four new members of The Accounting Hall of Fame (AHOF) will be inducted by the American Accounting Association (AAA) in August 2026, during the 2026 AAA Global Connect (formerly the Annual Meeting) in Las Vegas, NV. The Accounting Hall of Fame originated at The Ohio State University in 1950 and has inducted a total of one hundred and twenty-four members as of August 2025. In 2017, the AHOF transitioned its operations to the AAA.



**American
Accounting
Association**

The Accounting Hall of Fame
established at The Ohio State University, 1950

The 2026 inductees represent a diverse group of accounting thought leaders from practice and academia. The AHOF Selection Committee invited nominations from numerous domestic and international accounting and professional organizations, academic institutions, Hall of Fame members, and individuals devoted to the furtherance of accounting, in its many fields. This year's inductees are **Eugene (Gene) Louis Dodaro**, **Daniel Lee Goelzer**, **Richard Victor Alvarus Mattessich** (1922–2019), and **William Ernest McCarthy**.



**Eugene (Gene)
Louis Dodaro**



**Daniel Lee
Goelzer**



**Richard Victor
Alvarus Mattessich**



**William Ernest
McCarthy**

Eugene (Gene) Louis Dodaro served as the eighth Comptroller General of the United States and head of the Government Accountability Office (GAO) from December 30, 2010 to December 29, 2025.

Dodaro testified before Congress more than 200 times on important national issues, including the nation's response to the coronavirus pandemic, the federal government's long-term fiscal outlook, efforts to reduce and eliminate overlap and duplication across the federal government, and GAO's "High Risk List" that focuses on specific challenges—from reducing improper payments under Medicare and Medicaid to improving the Pentagon's business practices including its financial management. In addition, Dodaro continued the development of GAO's efforts to meet the needs of Congress in such areas as science, technology, and cybersecurity.

As Comptroller General, Dodaro helped oversee the development and issuance of hundreds of reports and testimonies each year to committees and individual Members of Congress. GAO products led to hearings and legislation, billions of dollars in taxpayer savings, and improvements to a wide range of government programs and services.

In a GAO career lasting more than 52 years, Dodaro held a number of key executive posts. For nine years, Dodaro served as the Chief Operating Officer, the number two leadership position at the agency, helping provide direction and vision for GAO's diverse, multidisciplinary workforce in serving Congress and improving government.

In leading GAO, Dodaro worked with Congress and the administration on major management reforms, including the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014; the Fraud Reduction and Data Analytics Act of 2015; and the 1994 Government Management Reform Act, which expanded the Chief Financial Officers Act. He also has extensive experience working with state and local government officials.

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Until 1999, Dodaro headed GAO's Accounting and Information Management Division, the agency's largest unit, which specialized in financial management, computer technology, and budget issues. While there, he directed the first-ever audit of the comprehensive financial statements covering all federal departments and agencies. He also has been instrumental in strengthening the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board. It has been recognized by the AICPA as producing Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for the federal government. In addition to continuing the annual audit of the U.S. government's financial statements, Dodaro worked with the Office of Management and Budget, the Treasury Department, as well as CFOs and Inspectors General, to develop and maintain the annual production and audit of financial statements of individual departments and agencies across government.

Dodaro also oversaw the development of several updates to the Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards that must be used by all auditors auditing the use of federal funds. He also directed the creation of updated Internal Control Standards to be used by all executive branch managers.

Dodaro, who holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Lycoming College in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, is a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and a member of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). Dodaro received recognition from numerous organizations. In 2025 he received AGA's Lifetime Achievement Award for a Legacy of Service and was inducted into the Government Executive's Government Hall of Fame. Prior awards include the Braden Award from the Department of Accountancy at Case Western Reserve University, the Administrator of the Year Award from the Romney Institute, Brigham Young University Marriott School of Business, the John Glenn Excellence in Public Service Award from The Ohio State University, and the Accounting Exemplar Award from the American Accounting Association's Public Interest, Ethics and Sustainability Section.

Eugene (Gene) Louis Dodaro will be the 125th inductee to The Accounting Hall of Fame.

Daniel Lee Goelzer has had a distinguished career as a lawyer, CPA, and senior regulatory official. He was one of the architects of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board's (PCAOB) structure and operations and has served for many years as a counselor and commentator on audit oversight and governance challenges.

Goelzer was raised in Wisconsin and earned a BBA in accounting and a JD from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He began his professional career as an auditor at a predecessor to Deloitte & Touche. In 1974, he joined the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) staff and rose through the ranks to become the SEC's General Counsel. In that role, he helped shape the Commission's approach to corporate governance, internal accounting control, and audit committee responsibilities.

Following his SEC service, Goelzer advised financial institutions, public companies, and accounting firms on regulatory and governance matters as a partner at Baker McKenzie. In 2002, the SEC appointed him as a founding member of the PCAOB's Board. He served on the PCAOB for over nine years and played a central role in establishing the Board and its efforts to enhance audit quality in the interest of investors and the public. He was the Board's Acting Chair from 2009 to 2011.

After his PCAOB tenure, Goelzer returned to Baker McKenzie. He retired from the firm in 2018 but has remained active in public company financial disclosure and auditing. For eleven years, he chaired Deloitte & Touche's Audit Quality Advisory Council and, in that capacity, provided advice and guidance on professional excellence in public company auditing and on challenges in the audit environment. Goelzer also served on the inaugural Sustainability Accounting Standards Board, helping to develop reporting standards to improve communication with investors regarding material climate and other sustainability information. He was a board member of the Capitol Area Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors from 2012 to 2017 and was active in the Chapter's director education programming.

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Goelzer has written and spoken extensively on securities regulation, public company disclosure, and auditing issues. Since 2013, he has published a bi-monthly newsletter on audit committee oversight responsibilities. His professional accomplishments have been recognized by the William O. Douglas Award (2012) conferred annually by the Association of Securities and Exchange Commission Alumni for distinguished contributions to the development of the federal securities laws. He also received the University of Wisconsin School of Business's Distinguished Accounting Alumnus Award (2005) and the Presidential Distinguished Rank Award (1989) for sustained extraordinary accomplishments in government service.

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Richard Victor Alvarus Mattessich (1922–2019) was one of the most influential accounting theorists of the postwar era and a central figure in what has come to be known as the golden age of a priori accounting research. Born in Trieste, Italy, and raised in Vienna, Mattessich earned the degree of Doctor of Economic Sciences from the Vienna University of Economics and Business in 1945. After early academic appointments in Switzerland and Canada, he joined the University of California, Berkeley, in 1959, where he worked alongside scholars such as Maurice Moonitz and Robert Sprouse. In this intellectually fertile environment, Mattessich produced *Accounting and Analytical Methods* (1964), a landmark contribution that sought to develop a unified, formally grounded framework linking micro- and macro-accounting systems. The book remains a foundational work in accounting theory.

In 1967, Mattessich accepted a professorship at the University of British Columbia, where he later held the Arthur Andersen & Co. Alumni Professorship of Accounting and served until his retirement in 1988, continuing thereafter as Professor Emeritus. Over the course of his career, he held visiting appointments across Europe, Asia, and the Pacific and received honorary doctorates from the Universities of Graz, Montesquieu–Bordeaux IV, Málaga, and Madrid. His scholarly output was extraordinary in both scope and longevity: more than 25 books and over 180 journal articles and book chapters, with a substantial portion published after his formal retirement. His work ranged from accounting measurement and systems methodology to the philosophy of science and the historical origins of accounting practice, reflecting a sustained commitment to conceptual rigor and interdisciplinary inquiry.

At the core of *Accounting and Analytical Methods* was the claim that accounting systems could be analyzed, compared, and designed on the basis of explicit assumptions about measurement, valuation, and structure. Mattessich treated accounting as a quantitative representation of income and wealth phenomena, applicable across both firm-level and macroeconomic contexts. Central to this framework was an expanded conception of duality, understood not merely as a bookkeeping technique but as a general structural feature of economic processes. The book integrated insights from measurement theory, economics, management science, and systems analysis, and advanced the view that accounting's intellectual progress depended on clarity about its logical foundations as much as on empirical refinement. Even where its formal ambitions exceeded what practice could immediately accommodate, the work established a vocabulary and analytical orientation that reshaped subsequent debates in accounting theory.

Mattessich's contributions were recognized by numerous professional honors, including the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants–American Accounting Association Award for Notable Contribution to Accounting Literature, the Canadian Academic Accounting Association's Haim Falk Award for Distinguished Contribution to Accounting Thought, and the Academy of Accounting Historians' Hourglass Award. He served on The Accounting Hall of Fame's Nominating Committee in two separate periods. Although the a priori tradition he helped shape later gave way to empirically oriented paradigms, its legacy endures in the intellectual foundations of the discipline. Through his insistence on analytical clarity, formal reasoning, and methodological self-reflection, Mattessich played a decisive role in establishing accounting as a rigorous academic field, and his legacy continues to inform scholarship across generations.

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William Ernest McCarthy is the original designer of the REA (Resource-Event-Agent) accounting model – a semantic schema for portraying the elementary components of a business transaction (like an atomic swap of goods for money). The conceptual foundations for REA evolved from McCarthy's doctoral dissertation at the University of Massachusetts, and its content was refined and edited through multiple rounds of review into two papers published in *The Accounting Review (TAR)*, under the skillful guidance of Stephen Zeff while he was an Assistant Professor of Accounting at Michigan State University (MSU). The second (July 1982) of the *TAR* papers was *The REA Accounting Model: A Generalized Framework for Accounting Systems in a Shared Data Environment* – the seminal REA exposition and a paper whose subtitle indicated the revolutionary interoperability and ontological directions that McCarthy's research would pursue for the remainder of his career.

The REA accounting model is both:

- A predictive model that argued that the file-based accounting systems of the 1970s and 1980s should be evolving with semantic technology toward enterprise-wide databases with more embedded meaning and better interoperability features, as occurred when enterprise resource planning systems (ERPs) arose in the marketplace in the late 1980s and 1990s.
- A normative model that provided a conceptual basis for moving away from classic accounting general ledger structures toward enterprise value-creation architectures. Several firms followed this path in the 2000s, with the best example being the Workday ERP.

During the later 1980s and 1990s, McCarthy refined and extended the scope of REA representation innovations with the assistance of his MSU doctoral students: Howard Armitage, Graham Gal, Paul Steinbart, Eric Denna, Steve Rockwell, Cheryl Dunn, Julie Smith David, Greg Gerard, and from Belgium, Guido Geerts. Geerts joined the MSU faculty in 1994, and together he and McCarthy extensively developed REA expansions in both the granularity plane (supply chains, value chains, and workflow) and the temporal plane (commitments, contracts, and policies). McCarthy was recruited into the interoperability and database standards communities in the early 2000s, where he worked extensively with ebXML, UN/CEFACT, and ISO. That work resulted in many reports, specifications, and standards, the latest of which are ISO/IEC 15944-4 (collaboration space interoperability) and ISO/IEC 15944-21 (distributed business transaction repositories). The standards involvement also led to extensive REA use in open value networks like *Sensorica*, *Holochain*, and *ValueFlows* (working with Lynn Foster and Bob Haugen).

In 2026, REA stands as an interoperable and ontological alternative to double-entry accounting as a method for reflecting the event-level economic realities and the entrepreneurial logic of both firms and networks. Debit-credit-account judgements are deferred to database views materialized far away from transaction capture points, and REA accommodates all traditional financial reporting needs as derived data in that manner. A comprehensive catalog of present and future REA development components was published as an AAA monograph (commissioned by Steven Kachelmeier) in 2022, entitled *The REA Accounting Model as an Accounting and Economic Ontology*.

McCarthy is also a master accounting teacher, winning instructional and curriculum awards at the departmental level (Salmonson Award) in 1985, 1993, 2003, 2011, and 2019, and at the college level (Withrow and Lewis Awards) in 1999 and 2024 (with Severin Grabski). At the national level, he was awarded the 2003 AAA Innovation in Accounting Education Award and the 2007 AAA Outstanding Service Award (for sharing his REA teaching materials). The high point of his teaching career was winning the American Accounting Association/J. Michael and Mary Anne Cook/Deloitte Foundation Prize in 2019. He has also been given the MSU Distinguished Faculty Award (2000) and the AAA Outstanding Accounting Educator Award (2008).

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Selection to The Accounting Hall of Fame is intended to honor and recognize distinguished service and contributions to the progress of accounting in any of its various fields. Evidence of such service includes contributions to accounting research and literature, significant service to professional accounting organizations, wide recognition as an authority in some field of accounting, advancement of accounting education, and public service. A member must have reached a position of eminence from which the nature of his or her contributions may be established.

Visit The Accounting Hall of Fame website to view the names and biographies of prior-year inductees at <https://aaahq.org/Accounting-Hall-Of-Fame/Members>

The Accounting Hall of Fame celebrated its 75th Anniversary at the AAA's 2025 Annual Meeting in Chicago. As part of this historic milestone, The Accounting Hall of Fame, in conjunction with the American Accounting Association Foundation, has launched a fundraising campaign to build an endowment to fund the operations and programming of the AHOF for the next 25 years. The funds raised will support the AHOF's ongoing mission of recognizing and honoring the outstanding achievements of those who have made, or are making, significant contributions to the advancement of accounting. In addition, this endowment will ensure that the inspiring stories of AHOF inductees are available to a broader audience.



Consider donating today at <https://my.aaahq.org/Shop/Donate-Accounting-Hall-of-Fame>

Volunteer for an AAA Committee or Task Force

The American Accounting Association (AAA) is committed to being the “premier forum for scholarly interchange in accounting.” As part of this mission, we recognize that our members share core values such as integrity, objectivity, community, respect for others, and a commitment to ethical behavior. These values, along with a global perspective and an obligation to serve key stakeholders, including society at large, are at the heart of our work.



We are deeply grateful to our members who take on the responsibility of serving the AAA, their institutions, the academic community, the profession, and society. Your contributions are essential to advancing our collective goals and ensuring the continued success of the Association. We could not do this without YOU!

We invite active members—from diverse backgrounds, career stages, and academic or practice settings—to consider volunteering for AAA committees, task forces, or roles within our Sections. These volunteer opportunities vary in duration, ranging from one to three years, and cover a wide array of activities, including research, teaching, and award selection. Volunteering with the AAA is a great way to contribute your expertise, build connections with peers, and make a lasting impact on the field.

To participate, you must be a current, active member of the AAA and the specific Section you wish to support. If you are interested in volunteering, please review the committees and task forces, then complete the volunteer form at <https://www2.aaahq.org/aaaforms/volunteer/committees.cfm>.

For questions or additional information about volunteer opportunities, please reach out to Barbara Gutierrez, Governance Manager, at volunteer@aaahq.org.

We look forward to your involvement!

2026–2027 Board of Directors Election Results

Congratulations and welcome to the following new members of the Board of Directors:

- **President-Elect:** Timothy J. Rupert, Northeastern University
- **Vice President-Education:** Kimberly S. Church, Missouri State University
- **Director-Focusing on International:** Stephanie A. Mason, DePaul University
- **Director-Focusing on Membership:** Sandra B. Richtermeyer, Rutgers University Camden



Timothy J. Rupert



Kimberly S. Church



Stephani A. Mason



Sandra B. Richtermeyer

New Board members will begin their 3-year terms at the 2026 AAA Global Connect. Click [HERE](#) for the 2026–2027 Board of Directors.

Thanks to all the candidates, members who nominated candidates, and members of the AAA Nominations Committee and Council Ballot Committee for your continued service and dedication to the AAA.

Find Your Next Accounting Resource in the AAA Bookstore

If you haven't visited the AAA Bookstore lately, you're missing out!

The AAA has a long history of publishing top-tier books and monographs on accounting, auditing, education, and more. All of those titles are in one easy-to-browse place: the AAA Bookstore.

Browse by title or subject area, discover what's available, and order in just a few clicks—whether you prefer print or digital.

Plus, checkout is simple: we accept Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and American Express, and shipping is automatically calculated at the time of your order.

Don't wait...take a look at what's available today.

Visit the AAA Bookstore Today!

The screenshot shows the AAA Bookstore interface. On the left is a shopping cart with 0 items and a total of \$0.00. Below the cart is a subject list including APL (1), Accounting Principles (5), Accounting (32), Accounting Concepts (2), Accounting Curriculum (1), Accounting Education (2), Accounting Education Change Commission (1), and Accounting Education Series (13). The main area displays featured titles:

- A Comparative Analysis of Selected Income Measurement Theories in Financial Accounting** (Studies in Accounting Research Volume No. 12) by James A. Anderson. Softcover Book, \$25.00. Add to cart.
- A Contract Perspective on Accounting Valuation** (Studies in Accounting Research Volume No. 20) by John S. Hughes. Softcover Book, \$25.00. Add to cart.
- A Framework for Encouraging Effective Teaching** by Thomas G. Calderon, Alexander L. Gabbin, and Brian R. Green. Softcover Book, \$10.00. Add to cart.

2026 AAA GLOBAL CONNECT SUBMISSIONS ARE STILL OPEN! “Innovating For A New Generation”

Get ready to be inspired! 2026 AAA Global Connect is your chance to embrace innovation and help shape the future of accounting education and research. This year’s theme, “Innovating for a New Generation,” challenges us to rethink what’s possible as technology, business, and academia evolve at lightning speed. Together, we can drive meaningful change, energize our programs, and advance teaching and research that truly reflect the world our students and stakeholders are entering.

From AI and emerging technologies to new business models, educational funding shifts, and regulatory change, the profession is transforming and we must transform with it. This is your moment to share groundbreaking ideas, explore bold solutions, and connect with thought leaders who are actively moving accounting forward.

Let’s innovate. Let’s inspire. Let’s make an impact.

Don’t miss your chance to be part of this transformative experience through the August Meeting, the Conference on Teaching and Learning in Accounting (CTLA), and the Ethics Research Symposium.

We can’t wait to innovate for a new generation with YOU!

The meeting dates are:

2026 AAA Global Connect—Monday, August 3 to Wednesday, August 5

2026 Conference on Teaching and Learning in Accounting—Saturday, August 1 & Sunday, August 2

2026 Ethics Research Symposium—Sunday, August 2

General Information:

The 2026 AAA Global Connect will be a dynamic meeting that encourages participation through a wide range of session types designed to support members with different interests. You can learn more about the session types below, and you can submit to each through the links provided for each type. To track your submission, you will need to create a user ID and password during the submission process. You will need this information to update and/or access the status of your submission. This user ID and password does not need to match your AAA login, and will not grant access to AAA member services (i.e., registration, dues renewal, etc.); however, it is recommended to use your AAA login. If your submission is accepted, all participants and presenters must register for the meeting, which includes both meeting registration and membership fees.

Open Submission Categories and Submission Deadlines:

Submission Deadlines: Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Interactive Sessions

These sessions are presented in a shared interactive forum for the exchange of ideas and resources that support learning in accounting. We recommend you review the presentation guidelines to understand presenting in this format, and to see suggestions on how presentation materials are prepared for an interactive session. **NOTE:** Authors may submit to both of these sessions; however, they should not submit the same presentation to both sessions.

- **Effective Learning Strategies (ELS) Interactive Session**—Members interested in sharing learning-related interests and projects, scholarship of teaching projects, and educational innovations are encouraged to submit proposals that showcase ideas, research, strategies, and education innovations that support learning in accounting.
- **Emerging and Innovative Research Interactive Session**—Intended to highlight promising emerging and innovative research ideas, authors will submit a short abstract of three to four pages that describes their work in progress or a planned proposal that will bring ideas currently outside accounting to the attention of accounting scholars.

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Open Submission Categories and Submission Deadlines:

Submission Deadlines: **Wednesday, May 13, 2026**

Faculty-Student Collaborations in Accounting-FASTCA-26—Encouraging exploration and discussion of collaborations between accounting faculty and undergraduate and master’s students, this all-day conference recognizes the importance of these collaborations to creating important learning experiences for students, attracting students to the accounting profession, and the accounting academy—as well as connecting the community of faculty conducting collaborative research and teaching. The following are some examples of faculty-student collaborations: (1) Research: Students and faculty working together on a research paper; (2) Teaching: Joint development of teaching materials by students and faculty; and (3) Practice: Students and faculty working together to solve a real-world problem.

Global Emerging Scholars Research Workshop—The American Accounting Association Global Emerging Scholars Research Workshop will be held on Sunday, August 2, in conjunction with the 2026 AAA Global Connect. Up to 6 papers will be selected for presentation at the Workshop. At the Workshop, each scholar will have 45 minutes to present their paper, where a senior researcher as mentor will provide constructive feedback, and facilitate Q&A among presenters, other senior scholars in attendance, and the other early career researchers. Written feedback will be provided to the presenters following the Workshop that summarize the comments and suggestions raised.

To learn more about submissions, please visit

<https://aaahq.org/Meetings/2026/AAA-Global-Connect/Submissions>

Volunteer Today for the 2026 AAA Global Connect!

Be a Key Player in Las Vegas as a Volunteer.

This is your chance to directly impact cutting-edge research and engage with brilliant minds from our global community! As a volunteer, you’ll provide invaluable feedback, share your expertise, and offer guidance to authors working to refine their research.

The 2026 AAA Global Connect Committee is calling on ALL AAA members to step up as paper discussants and session moderators to ensure this year’s event is a success. Your contribution will help shape the future of our field!

**Make a difference. Be part of something big.
Learn more and get involved!**

<https://ww6.aievolution.com/aaaAM/>



Our Featured Speakers

Insightful Speakers. Meaningful Perspectives.

Experience a compelling lineup of industry experts and thought leaders who bring fresh insight to today's most important issues. From the changing accounting landscape to emerging business trends, these sessions are designed to deepen understanding, encourage dialogue, and leave you with ideas you can put into action. Our Plenary speakers, Presidential Scholar, and incoming President will share timely insights on the evolving accounting profession and the forces shaping the future of business.



John L. Campbell
The University of Georgia
Plenary Speaker,
Monday, August 3, 2026



Isabella Grabner
WU Vienna University
Plenary Speaker,
Monday, August 3, 2026



Jeffrey Hales
The University of Texas at Austin
Plenary Speaker,
Monday, August 3, 2026



Bridget Stomberg
Indiana University Bloomington
Plenary Speaker,
Monday, August 3, 2026



Mohn Venkatachalam
Duke University
Presidential Scholar,
Tuesday, August 4, 2026



Gary A. McGill
University of Florida
Plenary Speaker,
Wednesday, August 5, 2026

Learn more about each of our featured speakers at
<https://aaahq.org/Meetings/2026/AAA-Global-Connect/Speakers>

Reserve your room for the 2026 AAA Global Connect today!

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Telephone: 1-866-227-5938



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Association Group Rate: Single/Double: \$199 to 259*/night (rates vary daily)

Note: A daily resort fee of \$30 per night is included in the rate. This includes internet access for up to 2 devices per room. Reservations made through the telephone call center will be charged a \$15.00 fee (plus tax). This fee is waived for online reservations.

To receive the special conference group rate be sure to:

- Identify yourself as attending the *American Accounting Association Global Connect*.
- Make your reservation by **June 26, 2026**.

Note: A credit card guarantee is required to confirm your reservation.

A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the conference rate. PLEASE make your reservations as early as possible to take advantage of this special room rate. Note we cannot guarantee that any additional rooms will be available in the hotel once our block of rooms is sold out, even if the block is sold out before the cut-off date.

AAA Meeting Attendees with Limited Mobility

If you have limited mobility during your participation in the 2026 AAA Global Connect, it is very important that you notify the hotel when you make your reservations, and when you check into the hotel. Should there be an emergency that would require evacuation, hotel staff need to know that you would require assistance. This includes temporary mobility issues that might unexpectedly slow you down like an injury, crutches, etc. Please request instructions directly from the hotel about how to proceed in case of an emergency.

Transportation:

- Harry Reid International Airport (LAS) is approximately 13 miles from Caesars Palace.
- Caesars Palace does **NOT** offer airport shuttle service.
 - Commercial shuttle buses are available 24/7 outside baggage claim and depart every 15–20 minutes. Prices are subject to change, but a one-way trip is often around \$15 per person, with a discounted round-trip fare sometimes available.

Are You Ready To Experience Vegas? There is So Much to Do and Explore

Join us for the 2026 AAA Global Connect and make it a family affair! This summer, Las Vegas becomes a vibrant playground packed with spectacular entertainment, outdoor adventures, and attractions for every age.

When you're not in sessions, you'll find endless ways to unwind, explore, and make the most of your trip whether you're traveling with family, friends, or colleagues. From world-class shows to unforgettable dining and cultural experiences, everything is just steps away.

Ease of International Travel

Las Vegas is one of the most accessible destinations in the world, with direct flights from major international hubs across North America, Europe, Asia, and beyond. Harry Reid International Airport (LAS) offers convenient connections and efficient customs processes, making travel to and from the meeting smooth and stress-free. Once you arrive, transportation, accommodations, dining, and entertainment are all at your fingertips.

Entertainment

Experience Las Vegas's legendary live entertainment—from Cirque du Soleil productions and Broadway-style productions to headline concerts, comedy acts, and more!

Dining & Culinary Experiences

Enjoy award-winning cuisine from celebrity chefs and innovative restaurants. From fine dining to global flavors and casual bites, Las Vegas is a true culinary destination.

The Las Vegas Strip

Take in the energy of the world-famous Strip, known for its dazzling lights, luxury resorts, and iconic attractions like the Bellagio Fountains and the High Roller Observation Wheel.

Art & Culture

Discover the city's creative side in the Downtown Arts District, visit the iconic Neon Museum, or explore Las Vegas history at the Mob Museum. Throughout the city, you'll also find immersive exhibits, galleries, and cultural performances.

Outdoor Adventures

Just beyond the city, discover breathtaking natural scenery—from Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area and Hoover Dam to Lake Mead and even day trips to the Grand Canyon.

Shopping & Relaxation

Enjoy premium shopping at the Forum Shops at Caesars Palace, Fashion Show Mall, or Las Vegas Premium Outlets, and unwind at world-class spas offering relaxation and rejuvenation.

Visit our [**Things to Do in Vegas**](#) page for more information and ideas.



AAA MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!

Have you ever asked yourself, “What can an association really do for me?” Or even wondered why membership matters in the first place?

The truth is: joining an association like the American Accounting Association (AAA) is an investment not only financially, but also in time, energy, and engagement. And while the value of membership isn’t always immediate, its impact becomes clear over time through what we accomplish together.



Membership isn’t passive. The AAA is strongest when members actively participate—sharing ideas, contributing expertise, and supporting one another in a shared vision for the future of accounting. Your dues don’t just support your own professional development...they help strengthen the profession as a whole.

By getting involved in all the AAA offers from Sections, meetings, committees, journals, and programs, you help shape the initiatives and resources that benefit the entire community. And the more you engage, the more you gain: stronger connections, greater opportunities, and a deeper professional impact.

Spread the Word

Help grow the AAA community by encouraging your colleagues, department chairs, and students to join. Membership offers lifelong benefits, including:

- Meaningful networking and collaboration
- Research and teaching innovations
- Professional development and recognition
- Access to valuable resources and publications
- CPE opportunities

Whether you’re a student, new faculty member, seasoned professional, or retired, the AAA is here to support you at every stage by providing tools, connections, and opportunities that strengthen your career for the long haul—because your success isn’t only about what you know, but t’s also about who you know, and the community you build.

Together, we achieve more. Membership means being part of something greater.

Share the benefits of AAA membership today, and invite non-members to learn more about the American Accounting Association.

Learn more at <https://my.aaahq.org/Membership>

Upcoming 2026 AAA Meetings

AAA meetings are not just events—they're vibrant hubs of opportunity where members can network, learn from peers, and ignite their creativity. Dive into dynamic discussions, share groundbreaking ideas, and take fresh perspectives back to your classroom! You'll have the chance to present your papers, earn valuable Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits, and rejuvenate your teaching techniques.

Join us for transformative experiences that will empower you to elevate your practice and inspire your students like never before. Don't miss out—let's revolutionize education together! Learn more online at

<https://aaahq.org/Meetings/AAA-Meetings>

Upcoming AAA Meetings:

March 13–14, 2026

2026 Forensic Accounting Section Research Conference
Montclair, NJ

March 20–March 21, 2026

2026 Government and Nonprofit Section Midyear Meeting
Durham, NH

May 20–21 2026

2026 AIS Bootcamp
Philadelphia, PA

May 21–22, 2026

Accounting Horizons Conference on Bridging Accounting Research and Practice
Arlington, VA

June 1–3, 2026

Spark Virtual Meeting
Online Event

June 12–13, 2026

2026 MAS/IMA Teaching Case Conference
Tampa, FL

June 16–17, 2026

5th International Conference of the *Journal of Information Systems*
Gangneung, South Korea

June 23–25, 2026

2026 Audit Educators' Bootcamp
Chicago, IL

June 25–28, 2026

The Thirteenth International Conference of the *Journal of International Accounting Research (JIAR)*
Seoul, South Korea

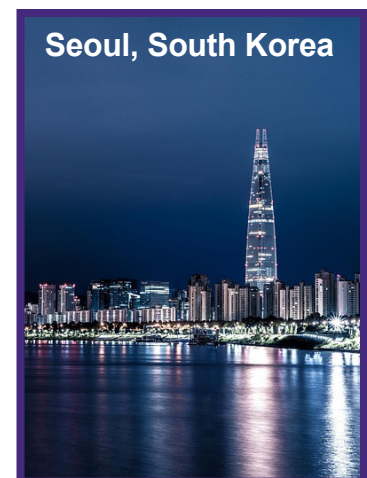
August 1–5, 2026

2026 AAA Global Connect (formerly the Annual Meeting)
Las Vegas, NV

October 15–17, 2026

2026 Accounting Behavior and Organizations Research Conference
Baltimore, MD

We look forward to seeing you at one or more meetings in 2026!





2026 Spark Meeting

June 1-3, 2026

Virtual Conference

Don't Miss the 2026 Spark Virtual Meeting! Spark your curiosity. Spark your passion. Spark your impact.

On June 1–3, 2026, join us for the 2026 Spark Meeting—a digital experience for our members and global community. Take advantage of this extraordinary opportunity to connect with global scholars, gain exposure to new research and teaching techniques, and earn valuable CPE credits at an affordable price!

Why You Can't Afford to Miss This Virtual Event:

NEW: Expanded Global Research Opportunities: Spark 2026 introduces a Global Research Track highlighting regional, international, cross-country, comparative, and globally focused research. This track offers scholars at all career stages a global platform to share ideas, exchange perspectives, and receive meaningful feedback from a worldwide community.

NEW: Global Doctoral Student/Faculty Interchange Program (GDSFI): Spark 2026 will feature the inaugural Global Doctoral Student–Faculty Interchange Program (GDSFI), a developmental program connecting doctoral students and faculty from around the world. Participants will present their research and serve as cross-regional discussants, fostering research development, global perspectives, and meaningful scholarly connections in a supportive environment.

Designed for a Global Audience – A More Flexible Schedule: To support participation from scholars worldwide, Spark 2026 will offer a globally inclusive schedule, with sessions staggered across time zones to enable meaningful engagement across regions.

Collaboration, Creativity, and Community: The Spark Meeting is all about powerful collaboration. Engage in highly focused sessions where your ideas will be met with thought-provoking feedback from experts.

Transform Your Teaching: Dive into education-focused tracks designed to help you elevate your teaching game. Explore new techniques, enhance your approach, and exchange ideas with fellow educators. Whether you're looking to refresh your classroom methods or discover new strategies, Spark offers a wealth of resources to help you grow as a teacher.

CPE Credits: All this learning and innovation comes with the bonus of earning many CPE credits, all for a fraction of the price. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to advance your professional development.

Learn more at <https://aaahq.org/Meetings/2026/Spark>

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Whether you are in the market for a job or are responsible for recruiting for open positions within your institution, the AAA has the premier resource to connect career opportunities with highly qualified academic accounting professionals—the **AAA Career Center**! The AAA's recently updated online Career Center provides multiple avenues to help you achieve your career goals.

Don't miss out on your chance to propel your career or find the perfect candidate. Visit the AAA Career Center today and take the next bold step toward your future! The AAA Career Center offers valuable benefits for both Employers and Job Seekers alike:

Employers:

- **Find your perfect candidate** with enhanced, results-driven recruitment advertising packages.
- **Reach highly qualified professionals** using our advanced, targeted search technology.
- **Boost your applications and optimize your budget** with personalized guidance from our expert Sales and Employer Success team, in partnership with John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- **Expand your visibility** to specialized candidates—even those not actively job-hunting—through ads featured on the Wiley Online Library.
- **Showcase your values and stand out** with a refreshed and more dynamic Employer Profile.

Job Seekers:

- **Seamless access:** With single sign-on, your AAA member login gives you instant entry to the Career Center.
- **Smarter job search results** powered by an advanced search engine—filter by location, focus area, salary range, organization type, and more.
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- **Get noticed:** Upload your résumé so top employers can find you.
- **Opportunities for every career stage**—from emerging professionals to seasoned experts, discover roles that fit your goals.
- **Enhance your career journey** with our comprehensive **Career Resources Library** filled with expert advice and helpful tools.

Career Center at the 2026 AAA Global Connect (CCGC):

The **Career Center at the 2026 AAA Global Connect (CCGC)** is the AAA's most encompassing recruiting event. The CCGC brings candidates and recruiting institutions from across the world together to make career connections. Held in conjunction with the AAA Career Center, the CCGC offers services that make job recruitment affordable and efficient for recruiting institutions and candidates alike.

Plan to join us in Las Vegas for the 2026 CCGC: *find your next great hire...find your next great job!*

For more information about the AAA Career Center, contact Tracy Rishel at tracy.rishel@aaahq.org.

COSO Fraud Risk Management Certificate Program

Fraud isn't slowing down and it isn't getting easier to spot. It's one of the most costly, fast-changing threats facing organizations today, and the stakes go far beyond compliance.

Protecting your organization's reputation, financial health, and future starts with knowing how to stay ahead of fraud risk before it becomes a headline.

Developed by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) in partnership with the ACFE, the **COSO Fraud Risk Management Certificate Program** equips you with the expertise to proactively identify, assess, and mitigate fraud risks using globally recognized best practices.

If you're serious about staying ahead of what's next, this is the credential you don't want to miss.

Through **seven self-paced modules**, you will gain a deep understanding of the five principles of fraud risk management and how they align with the COSO Internal Control and Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) frameworks.

You will learn how to assess fraud risks, implement effective control activities, establish a strong fraud governance structure, and leverage data analytics to detect and prevent fraud. This program will help you build practical skills to design, execute, and monitor a fraud risk management program tailored to your organization.

Upon successful completion, you will **earn a certificate and digital badge**, demonstrating your expertise in fraud risk management and your commitment to building stronger, fraud-resistant organizations.

This program includes:

- Seven Self-Paced Modules: Complete them from anywhere, at your convenience.
- Complimentary copy Fraud Risk Management Guide, Second Edition (Browser-Only PDF) (FRMG): Easily reference the underlying guidance directly.
- Online Exam: Complete the exam at a date and time that works best for you within the 365-day program window.
- Certificate and Digital Badge: Receive a printable PDF certificate and a shareable digital badge.

Who Will Benefit:

- Organizations looking to implement a new fraud risk assessment or benchmark their current one
- Organizations seeking to establish or enhance their fraud risk management (FRM) program
- Professionals involved in fraud risk management across organizations of any size
- Consultants providing advisory services related to fraud risk management
- Internal and external auditors assessing fraud risk management and regulatory compliance programs
- Board members responsible for overseeing fraud risk management

Course Expiration: Upon purchase, the user has 365 days to complete this course. Upon completion of the course, the learner must achieve a score of 70% on the final exam in three (3) attempts. If the learner does not achieve a passing score of 70% after three attempts, there is a \$125 re-take fee for the exam.

Pricing:

- Member: \$639.00
- Non-Member: \$799.00
- Student: \$639.00

Learn more about the **COSO Fraud Risk Management Certificate Program** today!





AAA Member Digital Badges: Elevate Your Professional Presence!

In our increasingly digital landscape, traditional certificates and membership recognition are transforming. The American Accounting Association (AAA) is excited to announce our partnership with Accredible to offer digital credentials that showcase your membership, expertise, and commitment as a Thought Leader in Accounting.

With the AAA's digital badge and certificate platform, you can proudly display your membership in the premier association for accounting academics. Here's what you can gain:

- **Enhanced Visibility:** Connect more easily with fellow AAA members and expand your professional network.
- **Credibility Boost:** Validate your membership to employers and colleagues, demonstrating your affiliation with a respected global association.
- **Share with Ease:** Showcase your badge across digital platforms and social media, and incorporate it into your email signature and digital résumés.
- **Anytime Access:** Your badges are portable and accessible whenever you need them.

Stand out in your field and let the world know you're a part of the AAA community!

What is a Digital Badge?

A digital badge is a powerful tool for showcasing your association membership—including your Section memberships—and certifications in a visually engaging format. Easily share your accomplishments on platforms like LinkedIn, allowing employers, colleagues, and peers to recognize your commitment and expertise.

As an AAA member, you gain access to these digital badges and certificates at no additional cost—empowering you to highlight your professional achievements and stand out in your field!

To get the most out of your digital badge:

- Add it to your "Certifications" on LinkedIn (you can do this with one click on the credential).
- Share it to your LinkedIn feed to update your network.
- Add your badge and designation to your email signature to communicate your new status with your colleagues.

Benefits of Digital Badging

Always Accessible: Never worry about losing your certificates—ever. Your credential will always be present via our website.

Easily Shareable: You can share your achievements and commitment to your career. Digital credentials let you showcase it on LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter with one click.

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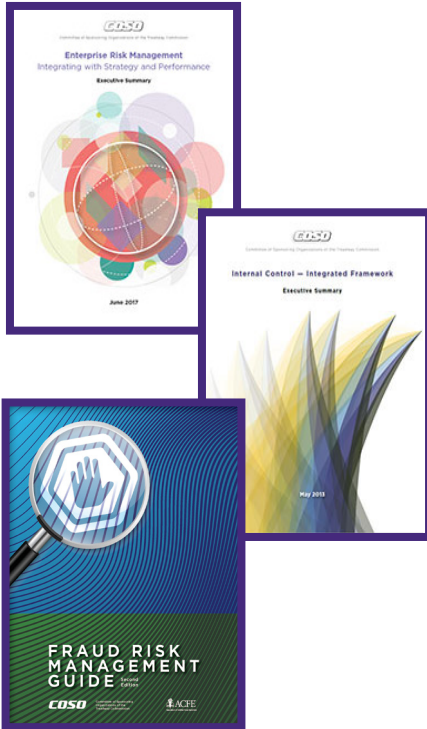
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Learn more about digital badges at <https://aaahq.org/Membership/DigitalBadges>

Tools for Teaching and Research in the Area of Risk Analysis/Control

Sign Up for Academic Access for the COSO Framework for the Benefit of Professors and Students Alike
COSO—The Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission



As part of its educational mission, the American Accounting Association (AAA), in a joint initiative with The Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), provides online academic access to COSO's **three** frameworks. With this project, COSO is investing in education with the long-term goals of improving organizational performance, enhancing governance, and reducing the extent of fraud in organizations.

Preparing students to use tools and resources like the **COSO Internal Control—Integrated Framework and Compendium Bundle** (2013), the **COSO ERM Framework: Enterprise Risk Management—Integrating with Strategy and Performance** (2017) with **Compendium Added** (2018), and the latest **COSO Fraud Risk Management Guide** (2023), is part of developing the professional judgment and communication skills necessary for more efficient management, better understanding of enterprise risk, internal control, and fraud deterrence guidance.

How to sign up: Your school can subscribe to Academic Access for an annual fee of \$350. Within two business days of enrolling, you will receive your student and faculty log-in credentials and can sign on and begin using the COSO resources.

You will find webinar recordings featuring best practices for integrating COSO materials into the classroom and the related teaching resources available online:

- Teaching COSO's Internal Control Framework: Best Course Practices
- Integrating COSO's Enterprise Risk Management Framework into Our Classes

For more information about COSO Academic Access, please visit <https://aaahq.org/COSO> or email us at info@aaahq.org.



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Accounting Horizons

- **Broadening Research Methods to Bridge the Gap between Research and Practice** (Deadline: **December 31, 2026**)

Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory

- **Methodological Papers** (Deadline: **September 30, 2026**)
- **Mixed Method Papers** (Deadline: **September 30, 2026**)
- **Unexpected or Non-Significant Results in Experimental Research** (Deadline: **August 31, 2027**)
- **Shorter Papers** (Deadline: **August 31, 2027**)

Behavioral Research in Accounting

- **3rd Behavioral Research in Accounting (BRIA) Forum** (Deadline: **March 15, 2026**)

Current Issues in Auditing

- **Private Equity Impact on Auditing** (Deadline: **May 30, 2026**)
- **Climate-related Disclosure Laws and Regulations** (Deadline: **June 30, 2026**)

Journal of Emerging Technologies in Accounting

- **Agentic Artificial Intelligence in Auditing and Accounting** (Deadline: **May 31, 2026**)
- **Future Labs** (Deadline: Ongoing)

Journal of Forensic Accounting Research

- **Forensic Accounting and Artificial Intelligence** (Deadline: **March 15, 2026**)
- **Forensic Accounting in a Digital Environment** (Deadline: Ongoing)
- **International Issues in Forensic Accounting & Fraud Examination** (Deadline: Ongoing)
- **Qualitative Research in Forensic Accounting** (Deadline: Ongoing)
- **Research in Forensic Accounting Using Court Case Data** (Deadline: Ongoing)
- **Taxation and Forensic Accounting** (Deadline: Ongoing)
- **Whistleblowing and Forensic Accounting** (Deadline: Ongoing)

Journal of Governmental & Nonprofit Accounting

- **Current Issues Facing the GNP Sector** (Deadline: **March 30, 2026**)

Journal of Information Systems (Deadlines: Ongoing)

- **Descriptive Research for Theory Building**
- **Literature Review and/or Research Synthesis**
- **Methodology**
- **Innovative and Novel Research Datasets**
- **Replication Research**

The Journal of the American Taxation Association

- **Special Section on Engagement, Access, and Community Research** (Deadline: **May 30, 2026**)



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Get ready for an unforgettable Summer 2026 in the heart of dazzling Las Vegas!

Join your AAA community August 1–5, 2026 for the August Meeting at the iconic Caesars Palace, where inspiration, innovation, and connection come to life. With the theme “Innovating for a New Generation,” this is your moment to be part of bold ideas, energizing conversations, and transformative discoveries shaping the future of our field.

Don’t miss your chance to experience the energy, excitement, and excellence that only AAA can deliver—live and in person.

Key Dates to Include:

2026 Conference on Teaching and Learning in Accounting:

Saturday, August 1 - Sunday August 2

2026 Ethics Research Symposium:

Sunday, August 2

2026 AAA Career Center at the 2026 AAA Global Connect:

Saturday, August 1 - Tuesday, August 4

2026 AAA Global Connect:

Monday, August 3 - Wednesday, August 5