



### Fall Schedule, Brownbag Sessions

For the 2024-2025 academic year, the Academy of Accounting Historians (AAH) will sponsor a series of online sessions (Brownbag webinars) to provide researchers feedback on their historical and longitudinal papers. These sessions have been done for the past five years.

The format will be:

- **Friday Brownbag Sessions**, one presenter, sessions each from 10 am to 11:15 am Eastern - currently: **October 11, November 8, & December 13.**
- Six to eight sessions for the **Midyear Webinar** held over two half-day Fridays from 10 am to 1pm Eastern each day (TBD). Recordings now available [HERE](#).

The AAH will deliver the Friday brownbag sessions with Zoom free of charge. The AAA will deliver the mid-year webinar with Zoom for a modest fee. AAH and AAA members are invited to present papers and to be participants at all sessions.

For each submitted paper, there will be two blind reviewers. Each reviewer will be a subject expert. Authors will be encouraged to revise their papers with this feedback prior to presentations. All participants will be provided with a copy of the revised paper. The discussant, a third pair of eyes and a subject expert, will review and discuss the revised paper.

#### **Fall Schedule:**

**October 11**, Amelia Baldwin (University of South Alabama), *The Pipeline of U.S. Accounting Doctorates – More Programs, Fewer Graduates*.

**November 8**, Gerald Friesen (emeritus, University of Manitoba) is not an accounting historian. He is an historian of Canadian studies. I greatly enjoyed reading Gerry's recent original evidence-based book, *The Honourable John Norquay: Indigenous Premier, Canadian Statesman*, which was a biography on a Canadian provincial premier. Within 50 pages, I felt that I knew Norquay. He also used uniquely talented Norquay as keyholes for me to see (1) the context within which Norquay and his mixed blood family were living during the last half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, (2) the province of Manitoba becoming a part of Canada from a Manitoba perspective, and (3) the Canadian Pacific Railway impediment to Manitoba's development. What Gerry would do is to talk about biography in general and to illustrate with Norquay. I am not expecting each of us to become a Walter Isaacson of the accounting world, but to hear Gerry explain of how he gathers archival evidence and uses that evidence to write an engaging biography could be a useful addition to each of our tool sets.

**December 13**, Erin Johnson (Sanders College of Business & Technology), *Internal Audit at General Motors in the Late 1920s*.

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