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Report of the President

D. Scott Showalter



As my term as President draws to a close, I would like to use my last President's Letter to summarize some of the activities and accomplishments of the Auditing Section during the past year and to thank many of you who make the Auditing Section the best. It is always dangerous to single out people to thank because someone always is overlooked. Therefore, I will begin by thanking all section members — whether you reviewed a research paper for the Midyear Conference or the AAA Annual meeting, participated as a moderator or discussant at the same meetings, supported our two section journals as a senior

editor, editor or reviewer, supported the many section activities as a committee chair or committee member, actively supported one of our strategic initiatives, coordinated or led a section conference or consortium, served as a section officer, answered one of the many requests to help whenever asked, developed and hosted a section webinar, lead the Audit Educator's Bootcamp, or participated in a section-sponsored activity or event. I hope that covered everyone. What an impressive group!!

The section has been very busy this year; some activities you may know about and some you may not.

Midyear Conference — Under the leadership of Joe Brazel and Keith Jones, our Midyear conference held in Savannah, GA during January was attended by a record number of section members and received high ratings. Likewise, the doctoral consortium, held in conjunction with the Midyear conference and lead by Jean Bédard, received high marks from the participants. We are looking forward to next year's Midyear conference being held in New Orleans on January 18–19, 2013. We thank KPMG for their generous and continued support of the Midyear Conference and Doctoral Consortium.

PCAOB Synthesis Projects — Thirteen separate teams totaling 63 members delivered the synthesis papers summarizing existing research on key PCAOB standard-setting topics. The papers have already been reviewed by the PCAOB and have found

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their way into their standard-setting process. This is another significant example of where the section is demonstrating thought leadership in influencing practice.

Auditing Section Journals — Our two section Journals continue to expand. *AUDITING: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, under the care of senior editor Robert Knechel, continues to have very full volumes, even with increasing the number of issues per year. *AJPT* has various calls for papers covering four Research Forums. Additionally, an additional issue of *AJPT* will be published later this year containing the results from the PCAOB Synthesis Projects. Under the leadership of co-authors Rich Houston and Dorsey Baskin, *Current Issues in Auditing*, our online journal directed to enhancing engagement with practitioners, is growing with *Instructional Resources*. Go online to check them out.

Research Summaries — Under the leadership of Chris Hogan and her initiative team, consisting of Shaun Budnik, Jim Fuehrmeyer, and Audrey Gramling, earlier this spring the section announced the development of a database of Research Summaries that will be accessible by, and relevant to, practitioners. The goal is to enhance practitioner readership and knowledge of auditing research, and to encourage an interactive dialogue between researchers and practitioners. The database is organized around an audit process framework, where interested readers can click on a link (e.g., Client Acceptance and Continuance) which will take them to a list of subtopics. Once they click on a subtopic, a list of academic research articles will come into view. Upon clicking on an article, a brief (no more than 2-page) summary of the article is provided that highlights the purpose of the study, the design, the findings, and the practical implications. The research summaries are being housed in an aspect of the AAACommons which is accessible by non-AAA members. The site is available at <http://auditingresearchsummaries.org>.

Webinars — Under the direction of Rick Lillie and Sridhar Ramamoorti, the section hosted three webinars this past year. The first webinar held in the fall was sponsored by the Center for Audit Quality and focused on The Role of the Auditor. The costs for the two spring webinars were graciously underwritten by Ernst & Young — thank you. The two spring webinars featured panels on the proposed changes to the COSO Internal Control-Integrated Framework and Insights from PCAOB on Academic Research. Replays are available at a link on the Audit Section page in AAA Commons.

Audit Educator's Bootcamp — As has become the custom, our Audit Educator's Bootcamp was sold out early during registration. Once again the feedback from the participants was very positive, confirming the wisdom we display in having Frank Buckless and Christine Earley lead the development and presentation of the bootcamp. We also thank the numerous practitioners who participated during the three-day event (a key element in bringing real-life experiences to the participants) and a special thank you to Ernst & Young who hosted the bootcamp in their Chicago offices and a dinner for the participants.

Auditing Section Committees — A lot of work happens through our committees. For example, the Auditing Standards Committee, being chaired by Keith Jones, provided responses to exposure drafts issued by standard setters. This year, the

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**Fall 2012 Issue
Deadline**

The deadline for material to be included in the Fall 2012 issue of *The Auditor's Report* is September 10, 2012. The preferred format is a Word file attached to an e-mail message. We are also open to any proposals for materials that anyone would like to submit. Please send all material and proposals to the incoming Editor at the address below by September 10, 2012, to ensure timely publication of the issue:

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committee responded to 3 exposure drafts issued by the PCAOB and COSO. Likewise, the Membership and Regional Coordinators Committee supported the AAA regional meetings by reviewing papers and providing speakers. Also, Chair Shelly Ye, will attend the new members' reception at the upcoming AAA meeting. Thanks to all our committees for a job well done.

2012 AAA Annual Meeting — Our annual meeting directors, Marsha Keune, Chan Li, and Mark Zimbelman, have been very busy putting together an outstanding program for the AAA Annual Meeting being held in Washington DC on August 5–8, 2012. Click on the link to review the Auditing Section program http://aaahq.org/AM2012/KC_program_PublishBySection.cfm?sectionID=4. The program consists of five panel sessions, approximately 100 paper presentations in 23 concurrent sessions and 11 dialogue sessions. Brian Croteau of the Securities and Exchange Commission will provide an "Update on Activities of the SEC's Professional Practice Group of the Office of the Chief Accountant" during Monday's luncheon. We look forward to seeing you in Washington DC.

Bylaws Vote — Thanks to the section members for voting to amend our bylaws to align them with the bylaw changes the AAA membership voted. This vote aligns our bylaws with our strategic plan that is consistent with the AAA strategic plan. The vote also created the Auditing Section Council Representative position that the section membership wisely voted Audrey Gramling to fill the first role.

Unsung Heroes — There are also several individuals I want to acknowledge because they support the Auditing Section year after year with little fanfare. Thanks to Gary Peters, editor, and Larry Abbott, associate editor, of *The Auditor's Report*. They do a great job three times a year putting together one of the principle communications vehicles of the section - well done. Another big thank you to Glen Gray, our webmaster, another important communication vehicle for the section. Just think about how many times you go to the section website to find a piece of information. Finally, thanks to our section photographer, Julia Higgs, who brings life to our section activities by helping us to remember the great times we share together. Thanks to everyone for those "behind the scenes" efforts we often take for granted.

Although the time has passed, I hope you provided names to Steve Glover for the Nominating Committee and suggestions for section awards to Roger Martin. As evident above, we have many willing members and great contributions provided by our members.

As I wind down my final letter as President, I first want to thank you for allowing me this privilege. It has truly been an honor to serve as your President and to be able to work with the members and fellow officers in advancing the vision and mission of the Auditing Section. As Past-President, I look forward to continued opportunities to serve the membership of the section. I am positive Roger will remember this last sentence.

This brings to passing the gravel to Roger Martin, incoming President. I have known Roger for many years and I look forward to working with him. Roger has made significant contribution to the section as Vice President- Academic, and I am confident the section

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and its strategy are in good hands. My confidence continues as I look to our incoming Vice President – Academic, Mark Taylor. It's hard to have a better leadership continuance. I thank and welcome Darrel R. Schubert from Ernst & Young as the Vice President-Practice and Jacqueline Hammersley as Secretary. On behalf of the membership, I thank each of them for their willingness to serve.

I would also like to thank the members of the Executive Committee who will be completing their terms at the AAA Annual Meeting. With his retirement, Larry Rittenberg stepped down as Historian in January. I very much appreciated Larry's guidance and insights as Historian. Jennifer Joe, as Secretary, has done a wonderful job of keeping track of all the decisions the Executive Committee has made during the EC meetings and monthly conference calls. Thanks for keeping us straight. Thanks also go to Walt Conn, a partner with KPMG, for his significant efforts in assisting the participant-based research efforts led by Jay Thibodeau through the Data and Research Fulfillment strategic initiative. Finally, but definitely not last, I want to thank Steve Glover, Past President, for three great years of leadership and hard work. As Past President this past year, Steve has been very active in Auditing Section activities and leading key section efforts, including having significant influence in our participant-based research efforts. I want to personally thank Steve for this guidance and support during my term as President.

Speaking of the participant-based research efforts that have been underway for approximately two years as mentioned during the Mid-Year Conference in January, we anticipate having good news to share with you at the AAA Annual Meeting. You will not want to miss our joint announcement with the Center for Audit Quality during our luncheon on Monday.

I close by thanking everyone for their significant contributions to the success of The Best section. See you in Washington, DC.



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PCAOB Update — Summer 2012

By Martin F. Baumann, PCAOB Chief Auditor,
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Introduction

This Update addresses selected PCAOB developments since the Spring 2012 Update that are likely to be of interest to accounting and auditing researchers, educators, and students. The developments discussed include:

- PCAOB Public Meetings on Auditor Independence and Audit Firm Rotation
- PCAOB Investor Advisory Group Meeting
- 2012 PCAOB Academic Conference
- Cooperative Agreement with German Regulator
- PCAOB Standing Advisory Group Meeting
- 2012 PCAOB Scholarships

March 2012

PCAOB Public Meetings on Auditor Independence and Audit Firm Rotation: On March 21–22, 2012, the PCAOB held its first public meeting on ways to enhance auditor independence, objectivity, and professional skepticism, including through consideration of audit firm term limits. Panelists at the meeting, which was held in Washington, DC, included investors and investor advocates, senior executives and audit committee chairs of major corporations, chief executive officers of audit firms, academicians and other interested parties.

The list of panelists, meeting webcast, and transcript can be found on the PCAOB web site at: http://pcaobus.org/News/Events/Pages/03212012_PublicMeeting.aspx.

On June 28, 2012, the PCAOB held its second public meeting on ways to enhance auditor independence, objectivity, and professional skepticism. Panelists at the meeting, which was held in San Francisco, included investors, representatives of major organizations, and other interested parties based primarily on the West Coast or in Asia.

The list of panelists, meeting webcast, and transcript can be found on the PCAOB web site at: http://pcaobus.org/News/Events/Pages/06282012_PublicMeeting.aspx.

PCAOB Investor Advisory Group Meeting: On March 28, 2012, the PCAOB held its third Investor Advisory Group meeting. The PCAOB Investor Advisory Group is a forum for the investor community to provide the Board with views and advice on matters affecting investors and the work of the PCAOB. The meeting agenda and other related materials can be found on the PCAOB web site at: http://pcaobus.org/News/Events/Pages/03282012_IAGMeeting.aspx.

April 2012

2012 PCAOB Academic Conference: On April 12–13, 2012, the PCAOB held its eighth annual Academic Conference, which was planned jointly by the staff of the PCAOB and members of the Auditing Section of the American Accounting Association. The conference was attended by over 80 auditing researchers and educators from over 55 universities, as well as PCAOB Board members and staff, and FASB and SEC staff.

The conference agenda included: a panel discussion with PCAOB Board members; presentations by and discussions with the leaders and representatives of the PCAOB Office of the Chief Auditor (OCA), Division of Registration and Inspections, Division of Enforcement and Investigations, and Office of International Affairs; and a presentation and panel discussion on academic papers related to cost-benefit analysis.

Additionally, OCA staff provided an update on the status of the second PCAOB Research Synthesis project on thirteen topics relevant to PCAOB standard-setting activities.

Cooperative Agreement with German Regulator: On April 13, 2012, the PCAOB announced a cooperative agreement with the German Auditor Oversight Commission (AOC) relating to the oversight of audit firms subject to the regulatory jurisdictions of both regulators. In addition to providing a framework for conducting joint inspections, the arrangement includes provisions governing the exchange of confidential information between the AOC and the PCAOB, consistent with certain provisions of the 2010 Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

May 2012

PCAOB Standing Advisory Group (SAG) Meeting: On May 17, 2012, the Board's SAG held its first meeting of the year. The meeting agenda included: an update from Chairman Doty on PCAOB developments; an update from the Office of the Chief Auditor (OCA) on its standard-setting agenda; and discussions led by OCA staff on (1) consideration of topics for possible future SAG discussion and/or standard setting, (2) going concern, and (3) related parties and significant unusual transactions.

The meeting materials, including the agenda, briefing papers, slides, and meeting webcast and podcast can be found on the PCAOB web site at: http://pcaobus.org/News/Events/Pages/05172012_SAGMeeting.aspx.

June 2012

2012 PCAOB Scholarships: On June 15, 2012, the PCAOB announced the colleges and universities that will participate in the PCAOB Scholarship Program for the 2012-2013 academic year. The PCAOB plans to award 43 merit-based scholarships to students of \$10,000 each. This is the Board's second year granting scholarships. Students eligible to receive a PCAOB scholarship must:

- Be enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program in accounting
- Demonstrate interest and aptitude in accounting and auditing
- Demonstrate high ethical standards
- Not be a PCAOB employee or a child or spouse of a PCAOB employee

The PCAOB supports the development of a diverse accounting profession and encourages educational institutions to give consideration to students from populations that have been historically underrepresented in the profession, in determining student nominations.

A description of the PCAOB scholarship program, along with information on the nomination process, the selection of nominating institutions and other program details can be found on the PCAOB web site at: <http://pcaobus.org/Research/Pages/AcademicScholarship.aspx>.

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GAO Update

By Steve Sebastian and Maxine Hattery

Workplace Financial Literacy Program

On May 20, 2012, Comptroller General Gene Dodaro spoke at the Frank Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy at the University of Virginia, and said, "The recent financial crisis also brought home the need for people to prepare for the future —whether it's saving for college or planning for retirement." He also described GAO's own initiative, launched in April, to address financial literacy issues through a variety of avenues. As part of the initiative, GAO is encouraging research on the relative effectiveness of various financial literacy efforts. GAO is also looking for opportunities to include financial literacy in federal interactions with the public. And GAO analysts continue to evaluate federal efforts that directly promote financial literacy.

GAO has also instituted a program to empower its own employees, GAO's Workplace Financial Literacy Program. The program includes an internal website with information on personal financial matters and links to important information. A speaker's series, which included experts from academia, nonprofits, and government featured literacy expert Annamaria Lusardi on the "financial capabilities" Americans need.

The GAO Workplace Financial Literacy webpage features nationally recognized financial education programs with the goal of providing information to GAO staff on personal finance and GAO's pay and benefits. Information available covers a wide range, from the personal and practical, such as credit reports and financial planning calculators, to the federal, including links to the Federal Reserve Board, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and GAO reports; and the educational, with Count My Beanz among offerings for children and Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's College Lecture Series.

GAO's 100th Podcast: Paying for College

A podcast audio interview is now available with George Scott, Director, Education, Workforce and Income, who answers questions about Assistance for Families Paying for College, including findings from a GAO report released in June, *Higher Education: Improved Tax Information Could Help Families Pay for College (GAO-12-560)*. Here is a sample:

Interviewer: Your team looked in particular at the extent to which tax filers maximize their potential tax benefits through these different sources of assistance. What did you find?

Mr. Scott: Interestingly, this report sort of builds on some prior work we've done. Since 2005, we have

repeatedly found that some taxpayers failed to claim certain credits or deductions for which they appear eligible. For the 2009 Tax Year, we found that about 1.5 million returns failed to claim either the credit or the deduction. On average, they missed claiming benefits of about \$466 for a total of about \$726 million, which is a significant amount.

Interviewer: Your team also looked at research on the impact that aid has on student outcomes. Can you talk a little bit about what you found there?

Mr. Scott: Certainly. As we looked at the range of research that's been conducted recently looking at the impact of Federal Student Aid programs and tax expenditures on a range of student issues, particularly student outcomes, and what we've found is despite sort of repeated attempts, research on...in this area remains very limited. We actually have spent a good amount of time talking with folks at the Department of Education about this and while we recognized there are a number of challenges in conducting this evaluative research, we still continue to believe it's important that we really know whether these programs are effective.

How Long Will This Project Really Take?

GAO has issued a draft of a manual to help federal, state, and local government agencies develop more-reliable schedules for government projects of all sizes. *The Schedule Assessment Guide: Best Practices for Developing and Managing Capital Program Schedules* is the second volume in a series, Help Manage Government Projects. It is available on-line and applies to civilian and defense projects managed by either government entities or private contractors.

Drawing on scheduling concepts introduced in GAO's March 2009 *Cost Estimating and Assessment Guide*, the draft *Schedule Assessment Guide* presents 10 best practices for developing and maintaining a reliable, high-quality schedule. As a companion to the *Cost Estimating Guide*, the GAO *Schedule Assessment Guide* is designed to assist not only GAO auditors in evaluating the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of government programs but also all government agencies in developing, managing, and evaluating capital programs. The draft will be available for comment for a full year to allow GAO to collect a wide array of feedback before completing the final guide. Comments on the draft can be sent to <https://tell.gao.gov/schedulecommentguide>.

"Using this guide, government agencies will be better able to avoid common problems, such as schedule overruns, missed deadlines, and performance shortfalls," said Karen Richey, Assistant Director of the Applied Research and Methods team at GAO. "The new guide is intended to help agencies produce comprehensive, well-constructed, credible, and controlled schedules. The federal scheduling community has long needed better tools for preparing schedules and schedule risk analyses. GAO's draft manual, with its formal approach to scheduling based on best practices, will go a long way toward filling that need."

Developed with help from industry experts as well as federal officials, the 221-page draft lays out a multistep process for developing high-quality, trustworthy schedules; explains how to manage schedules once they have been developed; and presents 19 case studies drawn from GAO's published audits that illustrate typical pitfalls and successes in scheduling and schedule risk analysis. The guide stresses sound scheduling practices, such as setting realistic program baselines and managing risk. GAO plans to use the *Schedule Assessment Guide* to assess the accuracy and realism of agencies' schedules in its future audits.

Schedule Assessment Guide: Best Practices for Developing and Managing Capital Program Schedules ([GAO-12-120G](#))

GAO Attorney Wins Flemming Award

GAO's Procurement Law Senior Attorney Jonathan Kang has received the Arthur S. Flemming Award for his exceptional work on hundreds of bid protests affecting federal contracts worth tens of billions of dollars. In recent years, Kang has handled a large docket of bid protests on a wide range of issues, including major weapon systems, information technology, health care services, and homeland security.

Among his decisions, Kang was singled out for his work on the landmark Technatomy Corporation case, which resolved uncertainty about the jurisdiction of GAO's bid protest function. Kang's analysis in the 2011 decision was later adopted by the Court of Federal Claims, and his technical assistance to Congress ultimately led to a legislative resolution of the issue.

During a period when GAO's bid protest caseload doubled, Kang has led efforts to enhance the use of technology to monitor, track, and manage the agency's bid protest work. Kang was also cited for his extensive teaching and public speaking on bid protest matters.

The Flemming awards, established in 1948, recognize outstanding federal employees with between 3 and 15 years of federal service. Honorees are considered in five categories: legal achievement; applied science and engineering; basic science; leadership and management; and social science, clinical trials, and translational research.

GAO's bid protest process, which provides critical oversight and accountability over federal procurements, is a quasi-judicial forum for resolving complaints about the award of federal contracts. In 2011 alone, GAO attorneys resolved about 2,300 protests of federal contract awards.

GAO Reports: There Is Now an App for That

GAO is continuing to add to the ways and ease with which users can gain access to its work through the use of emerging technologies. A free app—available to users of Apple devices such as iPhones and iPad—provides direct, simple mobile access to new reports, testimonies, videos, and podcasts.

"GAO is committed to ensuring that our work is as accessible as possible, both to Congress and to the public," said Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States and head of GAO. "On Capitol Hill and beyond, our users are increasingly accessing our work from their mobile devices. The GAO app will help them get the information they need when and where they need it."

The GAO app joins other GAO digital initiatives that include podcasts, online videos and report graphics, and a presence on Facebook and Twitter. Users can download the app from the Apple app store, <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/gao/id489666309?ls=1&mt=8>. GAO also hopes to launch a similar application for android devices in the coming months.

400 (Less than the number of reports GAO issued in the first half of FY 2012)

During the first half of this fiscal year, GAO also issued a new Yellow Book; testified 77 times; and scheduled dozens of congressional outreach meetings. GAO's Office of General Counsel received more than 1,200 bid

protests and issued merit decisions on 345 protests. But who's counting.

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2012 Annual Meeting Sessions Auditing Section

Monday August 6, 2012 — 10:15 am-11:45 am

1.07 The Art of Professional Skepticism
(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Cynthia Fornelli, Executive Director, Center for Audit Quality

Panelists:

Craig Crawford, KPMG LLP

Steve Glover, Brigham Young University

Jay Hanson, PCAOB

Greg Weaver, Deloitte & Touche LLP

Description: A key driver of audit quality, professional skepticism is more art than science. But professional skepticism is more than just a questioning mindset –one needs a sound process for problem identification, development of potential explanations for the problem, and assessment of the audit evidence to eliminate unsound explanations from further consideration. Learn how practitioners apply skepticism and make judgments in the field, and how academic research has contributed to the development of a framework that can be used to train auditors and accounting students in the art of skepticism and judgment

1.14 A Dialogue about Audit Pricing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Karin A. Petruska, Youngstown State University

Audit Risk Premiums: Insights from the German Audit Market Do Auditors in the German Audit Market Price Risk Adequately?

Julia Baldauf, University of Innsbruck; Erich Pummerer, Professor; Marcel Steller, University of Innsbruck;

CEO Equity Incentives: Evidence from Auditor Pricing.

Julia L. Higgs, Florida Atlantic University; Yezen H Kannan, Duquesne University; Terrance R Skantz, University of Texas at Arlington;

Effects of Accruals Quality on Audit Hours and Audit Fees

Myojung Cho, Fordham University; Eunsun Ki, Korea University; Soo Young Kwon, Korea University;

The Relation between Auditors' Fee and Corporate Misreporting

Huiting Guo, Chang'an University and Xi'an Jiaotong University; Chen Ma, The School of Mangement, Xi'an Jiaotong University; Junrui Zhang, The School of Management, Xi'an Jiaotong University;

1.15 Audit Fees (1)

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Joseph Trainor, St. John's University

Fee Pressure and Audit Quality

Michael Ettredge, University of Kansas; Chan Li, University of Pittsburgh; Elizabeth Emeigh, University of Kansas;
Discussant: Kenny Reynolds, Florida State University

Corporate Social Responsibility, Audit Fees, and Audit Opinions

Long Chen, George Mason University; Bin Srinidhi, City University of Hong Kong; Albert Tsang, The Chinese University of Hong Kong; Wei Yu, The University of Tennessee;
Discussant: Kathleen M Rupley, Portland State University

1.16 Audit Fees (3)

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Norbert Tschakert, Salem State University

CEO/CFO Equity incentives and the Pricing of audit services

XingHua Gao, Wayne State University; Yonghong Jia, Governors State University;
Discussant: Anne Thompson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Do Audit Fees Reflect Risk Premiums for Control Risk?

Wei Jiang, California State University, Fullerton; Myungsoo Son, California State University, Fullerton;
Discussant: Lev Timoshenko, University of Waterloo

[Loan Initiation and Auditing Pricing](#)

Jennifer Kao, University of Alberta; Yutao Li, University of Lethbridge; Jenny Zhang, Dalhousie University;
Discussant: Yuping Zhao, University of Houston

1.17 Audit Quality

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Jennifer J. Gaver, University of Georgia

[Tax Internal Control Quality: The Role of Auditor-Provided Tax Services](#)

Lisa De Simone, University of Texas at Austin; Matthew Ege, University of Texas at Austin; Bridget Stomberg,
University of Texas at Austin;

Discussant: Jayanthi Krishnan, Temple University

[Audit Quality and the Timeliness and Usefulness of Litigation Loss Contingency Disclosures](#)

Feng Chen, University of Toronto; Yu Hou, University of Toronto; Gordon Richardson, University of Toronto;
Minlei Ye, University of Toronto;

Discussant: Wei Jiang, California State University, Fullerton

Monday August 6, 2012 — 2:00 pm-3:30 pm

2.14 Auditor Characteristics and Audit Quality

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Sean Dennis, University of Wisconsin - Madison

[Individual Audit Partner Experience and Audit Quality](#)

Yanyan Wang, Xiamen University; Lisheng Yu, Xiamen University; Zhenyu Zhang, University of Houston; Yuping
Zhao, University of Houston;

Discussant: Nate Stephens, Utah State University

[The Effect of Lame Duck Auditors on Management Discretion: An Empirical Analysis](#)

Cory A. Cassell, University of Arkansas; Linda A Myers, University of Arkansas; Timothy A Seidel, University of
Arkansas; Jian Zhou, University of Hawaii;

Discussant: Nathan J. Newton, Texas A&M University

[Did the 1998 Merger of Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand Increase Audit Quality? A Firm- and Office-Level Analysis](#)

Jong-Hag Choi, Seoul National University; Seil Kim, New York University; K.K. Raman, University of North Texas;

Discussant: Jamie Diaz, College of William and Mary

2.15 Auditor Use of Information

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Jennifer Joe, Georgia State University

[Can Providing Input on Management's Accounting Estimates Improve Auditor Objectivity?](#)

Jonathan H. Grenier, Miami University; Bradley Pomeroy, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Stephen P. Rowe, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;

Discussant: Mary B. Curtis, University of North Texas

[Multi-Year Fraud Risk Assessment: Strategic Management Behaviors and Auditors' Use of Business Model Evidence](#)

William F Wright, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;

Discussant: Patrick Joseph Hurley, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Monday August 6, 2012 — 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

3.07 Hot, Vital and Unresolved: Views from Practice Leaders of Issues that the Academy Should Research

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Thomas G. Calderon, The University of Akron

Panelists:

William F. Ezzell, Deloitte

Trent Gazzaway, Grant Thornton

Darrel Schubert, Ernst & Young and Auditing Standards Board

Frank Steininger, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Description: Senior practicing professionals and thought leaders from the leading public accounting firms discuss current auditing and assurance issues that plague the profession and keep their people searching for answers and solutions. In many cases, accounting educators and scholars from the academy may be ideally positioned to research those issues and challenge the profession to consider innovative answers or solutions. Panelists emphasize highly significant practice issues that they believe should be researched.

3.14 A Dialogue about Auditing and Internal Control Issues

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Shifei Chung, Rowan University

[Internal Control and Warranty Reserves](#)

Yi-Chun Chen, National Chengchi University; Chen-Lung Chin, National Chengchi University;

[Internal Control Weaknesses and Accounting Conservatism: Evidence from the Post Sarbanes-Oxley Period](#)

Santanu Mitra, Wayne State University; Bikki Jaggi, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey;

[Internal Control Weaknesses and Acquisition Performance](#)

Nancy L. Harp, Clemson University;

[Internal Controls in the Broker-Dealer Industry](#)

Anne L Schnader, Bentley University; Nate H. Cannon, Bentley University; Jean C. Bedard, Bentley University;

[The Relationship between Material Weaknesses in Internal Controls over Financial Reporting and Executive Turnover: Evidence from Japan](#)

Hiroshi Uemura, Hitotsubashi University;

3.15 A Dialogue about Auditor Judgment

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Linda A Quick, University of South Carolina

[Can Moral Reasoning Reduce Auditor Misreporting? An Experimental Examination of Investor Presence and an Auditor Sign-off Requirement](#)

Allen D. Blay, Florida State University; Eric S. Gooden, Virginia Commonwealth University; Mark Mellon, University of South Florida; Douglas Stevens, Florida State University;

[Identifying Fraud Risk Factors: An Integrative Model of Perceptions of Asset Misappropriation](#)

Bonnie W. Morris, Duquesne University; Joyce Thompson Heames, West Virginia University; John R. Kuhn, Jr., University of South Florida Polytechnic; Waymond Rodgers, University of California, Riverside;

[Resolving Conflicts in Governmental Auditing: A Participant Observation Study](#)

C. Richard Baker, Adelphi University; Rick Stephan Hayes, California State University- Los Angeles;

[The impact of accounting students' professional skepticism on their ethical perception of earnings management](#)

Magdy S. Farag, Cal Poly Pomona; Rafik Z. Elias, California State University, Los Angeles;

3.16 Auditor-Client Relations

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Scott Showalter, North Carolina State University

[Knowledge Spillover or Advocacy Threat – The Case of Auditor Lobbying for Clients](#)

Brian M. Burnett, Indiana University Bloomington; Hui Chen, university of colorado, boulder; Katherine Gunny, University of Colorado, Boulder;

Discussant: Paul E Madsen, University of Florida

[Does Long Tenure Erode Auditor Independence?](#)

Ling Chu, Wilfrid Laurier University; Bryan Church, Georgia Tech; Ping Zhang, University of Toronto;

Discussant: Sarah Stein, University of Missouri

[The Effects of Significant Changes in Auditor Clientele and Auditor-Client Mismatches on Audit Quality](#)

Kenneth Bills, Colorado State University;

Discussant: Paul Michas, University of Arizona

3.17 Governance and Auditing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Timothy J. Fogarty, Case Western Reserve University

[What Do Auditors Communicate to the Audit Committee About Management's Accounting Choices?](#)

Krista J. Fiolleau, University of Alberta; Kris J. Hoang, University of Alberta; Bradley Pomeroy, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;

Discussant: Kendall Bowlin, The University of Mississippi

[Serving two masters: Experimental evidence on the crucial role of the Chief Audit Executive](#)

Florian Hoos, HEC Paris; Anne Christine d'Arcy, WU Vienna;

Discussant: K. Kelli Saunders, University of South Carolina

[An organizational perspective on dysfunctional auditor behaviors.](#)

Jorien Louise Pruijssers, Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University; J. (Hans) van Oosterhout, Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University; Pursey Heugens, Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University;

Discussant: Velina Popova, Virginia Tech University

Tuesday August 7, 2012 — 10:15 am-11:45 am

4.09 Self-Assessing Your Empirical Accounting Research

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Mei Feng, University of Pittsburgh

Panelists:

John Harry Evans III, University of Pittsburgh

Donald V. Moser, University of Pittsburgh

Description: We will discuss a paper we have written, entitled "Self-Assessing Your Empirical Accounting Research." Our target audience is junior professors and PhD students, but we also believe senior professors will find our discussion to be a helpful reminder and consolidation of familiar ideas. Our goal is to help empirical accounting researchers convert an initial research idea into a thoughtful and carefully designed study. We will discuss points to consider that will help researchers to self-assess whether they have clearly articulated their research question, their study's story, and its contribution, and we will suggest some typical ways in which studies achieve these goals. We also offer suggestions to improve your study's research design and analysis, and interpretation of the study's results. In the paper itself, we provide this information in a list, and elaborate in the text about selected items, providing examples of how they have been effectively addressed in previous accounting studies.

4.21 A Dialogue about Audit Industry Specialization and Experience

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Fatima Alali, California State University Fullerton

[Auditor Industry Specialization and Firm Risk](#)

Jamie Hoelscher, University of Nebraska; Scott Seavey, University of Nebraska;

[Auditor Specialization and Earnings Quality under IFRS-Based Accounting- An Examination of Asset Impairment Standard](#)

Chen-Lung Chin, National Chengchi University; Hsiangtsai Chiang, Feng Chia University, Taiwan; Li-Jen Sabrina He, Asia University - Department of Accounting and Information Systems;

[Does the Market Share-Based Proxy for Industry Expertise Still Capture Audit Partner Industry Expertise in the Mandatory Audit Partner Rotation Regime? Evidence from the Banking Industry in Taiwan](#)

Wuchun Chi, Professor; Hsiumei Liao, Assistant Professor; Hong Xie, Associate Professor;

[The Effects of Pre-client Industry Experience on Restatement at the Audit Partner Level and Audit Team Level](#)

Kuei-Fu Li, Ming-Chuan University; Yun-Shan Chen, National Taiwan University;

4.22 A Dialogue about Risk in Auditing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Ariel Markelevich, Suffolk University

[Analyst Following and Audit Risk: Evidence from Audit Fees in China](#)

In-Mu Haw, Texas Christian University; Veicheng Yu, University of British Columbia and Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, China; Xu Zhang, University of Macau;

[Audit Quality, Litigation and Risk Aversion - An Analytical Analysis of the Influence of Risk Aversion on Audit Quality](#)

Julia Baldauf, University of Innsbruck; Erich Pummerer, University of Innsbruck; Marcel Steller, University of Innsbruck;

[Regulatory Inspection Regimes and Auditor Behavior](#)

Lori B Shefchik, Georgia Institute of Technology;

[The Influence of Audit Risk and Materiality Guidelines on Auditors Materiality Assessment](#)

Julia Baldauf, University of Innsbruck; Rudolf Steckel, Professor; Marcel Steller, University of Innsbruck;

4.23 Audit Committees

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Leah Muriel, University of Tennessee

[How do Clawback Provisions and Equity-based Compensation Affect Audit Committee Effectiveness?](#)

Yu-Chun Lin, National Chengchi University; Hung-Chao Yu, National Chengchi University;
Discussant: Long Chen, George Mason University

Board Interlocks and Auditor Choice:Firm and Partner Level

Chen-Lung Chin, National Chengchi University; Ann Ling-Ching Chan, National Chengchi University;

Discussant: Julie Coffey, University of Florida

Audit committee expertise and early accounting error detection: Evidence from financial restatements

Haeyoung Shin, University of Houston-Clear Lake; Randall Zhaohui Xu, University of Houston-Clear Lake;

Michael J Lacina, University of Houston-Clear Lake; Jin Zhang, California State University at Sacramento;

Discussant: Jong-Hag Choi, Seoul National University

4.24 Auditor Competition and Audit Quality

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Paul Michas, University of Arizona

Does a lack of choice lead to lower quality? Evidence from auditor competition and client restatements

Nathan J. Newton, Texas A&M University; Dechun Wang, Texas A&M University; Michael S Wilkins, Texas A&M University;

Discussant: Wei Yu, University of Tennessee

4.25 Role of the Auditor

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Nate Stephens, Utah State University

The Role of Auditor Style in Financial Statement Comparability

Jere R. Francis, University of Missouri; Mathew Pinnuck, University of Melbourne; Olena Watanabe, Iowa State University;

Discussant: Kenneth J Reichelt, Louisiana State University

The Determinants and Costs of Non-Compliance with SEC Reporting Requirements: Evidence from SEC 10-K Comment Letters

Cory A. Cassell, University of Arkansas; Lauren M. Dreher, University of Arkansas; Linda A Myers, University of Arkansas;

Discussant: Marsha Keune, University of South Carolina

Tuesday August 7, 2012 — 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

6.08 European Auditing Reform: its relevance to the US

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Robert Hodgkinson, ICAEW

Panelists:

Martin Baumann, PCAOB
Jere R. Francis, University of Missouri-Columbia
Robert Knechel, University of Florida
Scott Showalter, North Carolina State University

Description: A presentation on the proposals followed by a panel-led discussion to debate the latest status of this initiative, together with US and academic engagement with the EU.

6.19 A Dialogue about Auditor Changes and Rotation

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Aida Sy, Marist College

Audit partner versus firm rotation: Evidence from partners and senior managers

Jason Bergner, University of Central Missouri;

Auditor Independence: Where Do We Stand?

Bryan Church, Georgia Tech; J. Gregory Jenkins, Virginia Tech; Susan McCracken, McMaster University; Pamela Roush, University of Central Florida; Jonathan Stanley, Auburn University;

Auditor Switches in the Banking Industry: Evidence from the Pre-Financial Crisis and Financial Crisis Periods

Inder K. Khurana, University of Missouri-Columbia; Sarah Stein, University of Missouri - Columbia; Qihong Zhao, University of Missouri - Columbia;

The Effect of Audit Committee Financial Expertise on Auditor Changes and Subsequent Audit Quality

James D. Whitworth, University of North Carolina Wilmington;

The Effect of IPO Risks on Auditors' Decisions: Auditor Designation Case

Seok Woo Jeong, Korea University; Seon Mi Kim, Korea University; Kwang Wuk Oh, Korea University; Seung Weon Yoo, Korea University;

6.20 Audit Failure and Fraud

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Keith T. Jones, University of North Alabama

Apology Accepted: The Benefits of an Apology for a Deficient Audit Following an Audit Failure

Jason Tyler Rasso, University of South Florida;

Discussant: Chad Simon, University of Nevada Las Vegas

Audit Partner Disclosure: An Examination of Investor Reaction to Negative Information and Potential Implications for Auditor Independence

Tamara A. Lambert, University of Massachusetts Amherst; Benjamin L. Luippold, Georgia State University; Chad M. Stefaniak, Oklahoma State University;

Discussant: Tammie Rech Schaefer, University of South Carolina

[Of Hurricanes and Harness Racing: The Accounting Fraud at DHB Industries, Inc.](#)

Michael Chris Knapp, University of Oklahoma; Carol A. Knapp, University of Oklahoma;
Discussant: Stephen P. Rowe, University of Illinois

6.21 Audit Fees (2)

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Lauren M. Dreher, University of Arkansas

[The Effect of Audit Experience on Audit Fees and Audit Quality](#)

Steven F. Cahan, University of Auckland; Jerry Sun, University of Windsor;

Discussant: Matthew Reidenbach, Drexel University

[Intra-Audit Firm Office Changes, Audit Pricing, and Accrual Quality](#)

Jamie Diaz, College of William and Mary;

Discussant: Miguel Minutti-Meza, University of Miami

[The Role of Undervalued Equity in Pricing of Types of Unexpected Non-audit Services](#)

Nasser Alsadoun, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; Vic Naiker, The University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand; Farshid Navissi, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia; Donald Stokes, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia;

Discussant: Joseph Trainor, St. John's University

6.22 SOX Effects

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Lori B Shefchik, Georgia Institute of Technology

[The Post-SOX Evolution of the Client Portfolio of the Second Tier: A Focus on Restatement and Internal Control Risk](#)

R. Mithu Dey, Rochester Institute of Technology; Ashok Robin, Rochester Institute of Technology;

Discussant: Nancy C. Feng, Suffolk University

[Lower Discretionary Accruals in Second tier Clients Post-SOX: Client Quality or Auditor Quality?](#)

Elisabeth Peltier, Concordia University;

Discussant: Kenneth Bills, Colorado State University

[CEO Power, Internal Control Quality, and Audit Committee Effectiveness in Substance vs. in Form](#)

Ling Lei Lisc, George Mason University; Terry L Neal, University of Tennessee; Yan Zhang, SUNY at Binghamton;

Discussant: Padmakumar Sivadasan, University of Illinois

Wednesday August 8, 2012 — 10:15 am-11:45 am

7.19 A Dialogue about Determinants of Audit Quality and Earnings Management

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Deborah L Lindberg, Illinois State University

Audit Firm Tenure, Audit Materiality, and Last-Minute Earnings Management

Li Zheng Brooks, Washington State University; Peng Guo, Louisiana State University;

Does Collaboration Tenure Between Long-Term Auditor and Management Affect Audit Quality?

Chuan-San Wang, National Taiwan University;

Government-led Auditing Firm Mergers and Audit Quality

Charles J. P. Chen, China Europe International Business School; zhihong chen, The City University of Hong Kong; Bin Ke, Nanyang Technological University; Xijia Su, China Europe International Business School;

7.20 Auditor Selection

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Aaron Wilson, Washington State University

Balancing auditor choices during the transition from a mandatory to a voluntary joint audit system in Denmark

Claus Holm, Aarhus University, Department of Economics and Business; Frank Thinggaard, Aarhus University, Department of Economics and Business;

Discussant: Timothy J. Fogarty, Case Western Reserve University

Client Supply Chain Relationships, Audit Firm Selection, and Implications for Audit Quality and Pricing

Karla Johnstone, University of Wisconsin – Madison; Chan Li, University of Pittsburgh; Shuqing Luo, National University of Singapore;

Discussant: Barbara Grein, Drexel University

7.21 Internal Auditing and Controls

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Adam Vitalis, UW-Madison

The Effect of Internal Control Strength and Coordinating Versus Monitoring Controls on Managers' Fraudulent Financial Reporting

Xiaotao (Kelvin) Liu, Northeastern University; Arnold M Wright, Northeastern University; Yi-Jing Wu, Case Western Reserve University ;

Discussant: Jason Tyler Rasso, University of South Florida

Effects of Prior Internal Audit Work on Internal Control Evaluations

Audrey A. Gramling, Bellarmine University; Arnold Schneider, Georgia Institute of Technology; Lori B Shefchik, Georgia Institute of Technology;

Discussant: Bradley Pomeroy, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Correlates of Co-sourcing/Out-sourcing of Internal Audit Activities

Mohammad J. Abdolmohammadi, Bentley University;

Discussant: Audrey A. Gramling, Kennesaw State University

7.22 International Perspectives in Auditing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Carmen Olsen, Norwegian Schol of Economics

When Does Audit Quality Start to Decline in Audit Firm Tenure? – An International Analysis

Li Zheng Brooks, College of Charleston; C. S. Agnes Cheng, Louisiana State University; The Hong Kong Polytechnic University; Joseph Johnston, City University of Hong Kong; Kenneth J Reichelt, Louisiana State University;

Discussant: Matthew L. Hoag, Gonzaga University

Initial Audit Engagements and Audit Fee Low-Balling in China: Evidence from a Firm and Individual Auditor Level Analysis

Kannan Raghunandan, Florida International University; Hua-Wei Huang, National Cheng Kung University; Jeng-Ren Chiou, National Cheng Kung University; Ting-Chiao Joey Huang, National Cheng Kung University;

Discussant: Dereck D. Barr, The University of Mississippi

Predicting Internal Control Weaknesses: Evidence from Audit Fees and Financial Reporting Quality in the Pre-SOX US Era, UK and Australia

Simon Yu Kit Fung, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University; Ferdinand A. Gul, Monash University (Sunway Campus);

Discussant: Elizabeth Emeigh, University of Kansas

7.23 Peers and Auditing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Louise Hayes, University of Waterloo

Do Audit Partners Share Reputation Jointly and Severally with Other Partners in the Firm?

Jeffrey A Pittman, Memorial University;

Discussant: Yinqi Zhang, American University

Does Using Information From Peer Firms Improve Account-Level Expectation Models?

Miguel Minutti-Meza, University of Miami;

Discussant: Maria F Rickling, Stetson University

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8.10 A Dialogue about Audit Quality

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Maria F Rickling, Stetson University

An Empirical Investigation of the Impact of Audit and Auditor Characteristics on Auditor Performance

Walid Alissa, HEC Paris; Vedran Capkun, HEC Paris; Thomas Jeanjean, ESSEC Business School; Nadja Suca, Ministry of Finance, Republic of Croatia;

Did the Association between Audit Quality and Analyst Earnings Forecast Properties Change after the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002?

Matthew L. Hoag, Gonzaga University; Mark Myring, Ball State University; Joseph H. Schroeder, Michigan State University;

Does the Combination of Pressure on Auditors to Sell Non-Audit Services, and Clients' Willingness to Buy Future Services, Result in Reduced Audit Quality?

Monika Causholli, University of Kentucky; Dennis J. Chambers, Kennesaw State University; Jeff L Payne, University of Kentucky;

Restatements: Do They Affect Auditor Reputation for Quality?

Afshad J Irani, Washington and Lee University; Stefanie L. Tate, University of Massachusetts Lowell; Le (Emily) Xu, University of New Hampshire;

Team social capital and accounting quality: a new perspective for audit quality in private firms

Pietro Andrea Bianchi, IE Business School, Madrid (Spain); Marco Trombetta, IE Business School, Madrid, Spain;

8.11 A Dialogue about Auditing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Melissa Carlisle, Georgia Institute of Technology

An Empirical Analysis of Auditor Responses to Debt Covenant Violations

Gopal V. Krishnan, American University; Lori B Shefchik, Georgia Institute of Technology; Wei Yu, The University of Tennessee;

Are Capitalized Software Development Costs Informative About Audit Risk?

Gopal V. Krishnan, American University; Changjiang (John) Wang, Florida International University;

How Do Companies React to Restatements? - Evidence from Audit Committee Compensation

Hung-Chao Yu, National Chengchi University; Yu-Chun Lin, National Chengchi University;

The Governance Role of Private Debt and the Monitoring Role of External Auditors: Evidence from Covenant Violations

Liangliang Jiang, Lingnan University; Hui Zhou, Melbourne Business School;

8.12 A Dialogue about International Perspectives in Auditing
(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)
Moderator: Larry M Parker, Case Western Reserve University

[Audit partner versus Audit firm rotation: Effects on audit quality](#)

Elena de las Heras Cristobal, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid; Beatriz Garcia Osma, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid; Belen Gill-de-Albornoz Noguera, Universidad Jaume I de Castellón;

[Does Audit Partner Rotation Enhance Audit Quality? Evidence from Japan](#)

Kenichi Yazawa, Aoyama Gakuin University;

[Does Mandatory Audit Firm Rotation Matter to Investors?](#)

Youngdeok Lim, University of New South Wales;

[Is joint audit bad or good? Efficiency perspective evidence from three European countries](#)

Cedric Lesage, HEC Paris; Nicole Ratzinger-Sakel, Ulm University; Jaana Kettunen, University of Jyväskylä;

[Strategic Group Analysis of the Evolution of Public Accounting Industry in Korea](#)

Keval Amin, Temple University; Rajiv D. Banker, Temple University; Seok Young Lee, Sunshin Women's College;

8.13 Audit Negotiations

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: K. Kelli Saunders, University of South Carolina

[The Relative Effectiveness of Simultaneous versus Sequential Negotiation Strategies in Auditor-Client Negotiations](#)

Steve Perreault, Bryant University; Thomas Kida, University of Massachusetts; M. David Piercey, University of Massachusetts;

Discussant: Erin L. Hamilton, University of South Carolina

[Effectiveness of client tactics in auditor-client negotiations and possible mitigating factors](#)

Jason Bergner, University of Central Missouri; Sean Pepper, University of Kentucky; Robert Ramsay, University of Kentucky;

Discussant: Adam Vitalis, UW-Madison

[The Impact of Monitoring Mechanisms and Management Incentives on Auditor-Client Negotiations around the Time of an Initial Public Offering](#)

Helen L. Brown-Liburd, Rutgers University; Arnold Wright, Northeastern University; Valentina Zamora, Seattle University;

Discussant: Tracie Majors, University of Texas Austin

8.14 Going Concern Opinions

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Marcus Raymond Brooks, University of Texas at San Antonio

[An Empirical Analysis of the Decline in the Information Content of Earnings following Going Concern Qualifications](#)

Bei Dong, University of South Florida; Dahlia Robinson, University of South Florida; Michael Robinson, University of South Florida;

Discussant: Ling Lisic, George Mason University

[Does auditor gender affect issuing a going-concern opinion?](#)

Larelle Chapple, Queensland University of Technology; Sarowar Hossain, University of New South Wales, Australia;

Discussant: Matthew Ege, University of Texas

[Going Concern Opinion and Cost of Equity](#)

Keval Amin, Temple University; Jagan Krishnan, Temple University; Joon S. Yang, Sogang University;

Discussant: Matthew J. Beck, University of Missouri-Columbia

8.15 Not-for-Profit Audits

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Stefanie L. Tate, University of Massachusetts Lowell

[Determinants and Consequences of Tax Service Provider Choice in the Not-for-Profit Sector](#)

Stevanie Neuman, Texas A&M University; Thomas Omer, Texas A&M University; Anne M. Thompson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;

Discussant: Lisa De Simone, University of Texas at Austin

[The Impact of Post-SOX Supplier Capacity Constraints on the Nonprofit Audit Market](#)

Nancy C. Feng, Suffolk University; Randal J. Elder, Syracuse University;

Discussant: Colleen Boland, Michigan State University

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9.10 A Dialogue about Auditing Procedures

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Paul Caster, Fairfield University

[An Empirical Study of Continuous Auditing and Quality of Information in Egypt](#)

Hala M. G. Amin, The German University in Cairo; Ehab K. A. Mohamed, The German University in Cairo;

[Auditor-to-Auditor Confirmations: A New Approach in Obtaining Accounts Receivable Confirmations for Existence Assertion](#)

Hossein Nouri, The College of New Jersey;

[Controlling Multilocation Audit Risk](#)

Lynford Graham, Bentley University; Jean C. Bedard, Bentley University; Richard Cleary, Bentley University;

[Monetary-Unit Sampling with Systematic Selection: Are Sampling Risk Assessments Reliable?](#)

Lucas A. Hoogduin, KPMG LLP; Thomas W. Hall, University of Texas at Arlington; Jeffrey J Tsay, University of Texas at Arlington; Bethane Jo Pierce, University of Texas at Arlington;

[The Use of Business Risk Audit Perspectives by Non-Big 4 Audit Firms](#)

arnold wright, northeastern university;

9.11 A Dialogue about Governance and Internal Control in Auditing
[CANCELLED]

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Colleen Boland, Michigan State University

9.12 Auditor Effort and Audit Quality

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Matthew J Keane, Providence College

[Do Individual Auditors Affect Audit Quality? Evidence from Archival Data](#)

Ferdinand A. Gul, Monash University Sunway campus; Donghui Wu, Chinese University of Hong Kong; Zhifeng Yang, City University of Hong Kong;

Discussant: Elisabeth Peltier, Concordia University

[Asleep at the Wheel \(Again\)? Bank audits during the Financial Crisis](#)

Rajib Doogar, University of Illinois; Stephen P. Rowe, University of Illinois; Padmakumar Sivadasan, University of Illinois;

Discussant: Sean Dennis, University of Wisconsin - Madison

[Relation between Audit Effort and Financial Report Misstatements: Evidence from Quarterly and Annual Restatements](#)

Gerald Lobo, University of Houston; Yuping Zhao, University of Houston;

Discussant: Will Ciconte, University of Florida

9.13 Factors Affecting Audit Quality

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: Erin L. Hamilton, University of South Carolina

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Kendall Bowlin, The University of Mississippi; Jessen Hobson, The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; M. David Piercey, The University of Massachusetts;

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The Impact of Client-Specific Experience and Efficiency Pressure on Risk Assessment Effectiveness

Adam Vitalis, UW-Madison;

Discussant: Linda A Quick, University of South Carolina

9.14 Modeling in Auditing

(NASBA Field of Study: Auditing)

Moderator: H. James Williams, Grand Valley State University

The Implication of Flexibility in Accounting Standards for Audit Value

Minlei Ye, University of Toronto; Ping Zhang, University of Toronto;

Discussant: Marcel Steller, University of Innsbruck

Organizational Structure and the Strategic Effects of Auditing Standard 5

Evelyn R Patterson, Indiana University - Indianapolis; John Reed Smith, Indiana University - Indianapolis;

Discussant: Marcel Steller, University of Innsbruck



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Current Issues in Auditing — Summer Update

Current Issues in Auditing, published by the Auditing Section of the American Accounting Association. (<http://aaapubs.org/loi/ciia/>), contains articles, commentaries, and practitioner summaries of interest to both the academic and practitioner community. Articles are published online very soon after they are accepted, so please check the website often to view newly published articles. Also, please submit your work to *Current Issues in Auditing* (website for authors: <http://ciia.allentrack.net/cgi-bin/main.plex>).

We also invite you to access recently accepted articles not yet online in the journal at: <http://aaapubs.org/toc/ciia/0/0>.

Published and recently accepted articles include:

Hiring Recent University Graduates into Internal Audit Positions: Insights from Practicing Internal Auditors, by Rich Clune and Audrey A. Gramling. Available at: <http://aaapubs.org/doi/pdf/10.2308/ciia-50235>

Commentaries:

We also have published and recently accepted several commentaries from the Section's Auditing Standards Committee. We refer you to <http://aaapubs.org/doi/pdf/10.2308/ciia-50133>, <http://aaapubs.org/doi/pdf/10.2308/ciia-50135>, and <http://aaapubs.org/doi/pdf/10.2308/ciia-50180> for these commentaries.

Practitioner Summaries of Academic Research:

The purpose of this new section that we introduced last year is to enhance the academic community's communications with practitioners by adding to the literature concise articles based on audit research published in other academic journals. The Practitioner Summaries focus on communicating concisely the findings, conclusions, and practical applications of the research results published in the original article. By increasing practitioners' awareness of our research and publishing the authors' thoughts about its practical lessons and applications we hope to promote and facilitate conversations between academics and practitioners.

Please see this link for a summary of guidelines for these articles: http://aaahq.org/audit/CIIA_New_Section_PractitionerSummaries.pdf

We have published and recently accepted several such summaries, which we believe will be of great interest to academics, practitioners, and regulators. They include:

Practitioner Summary of "Detection and Severity Classification of Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 Internal Control Deficiencies," by Jean C. Bedard and Lynford Graham. Available at: <http://aaapubs.org/doi/pdf/10.2308/ciia-50169>

Using Non-Financial Measures to Improve Fraud Risk Assessments, by Daniel A. Ames, Joseph F. Brazel, Keith Jones, Jay Rich, and Mark Zimbelman. Available at: <http://aaapubs.org/doi/pdf/10.2308/ciia-50168>

Educational Resources:

Finally, we are introducing another new section of the journal that will include brief audit cases. Our intention is to consider cases and other materials that are perhaps not as detailed as those published in other journals, and our intention is to process them quickly in order to disseminate them to educators and practitioners on a timely basis. We are finalizing detailed submission guidelines, but to give you an idea of the content of the section, we provide the following summary:

Instructional Resources will include cases derived from actual or simulated business activity that are in line with the objectives of CIIA and are designed to provide timely instructional resources to auditing instructors. The instructional resources also include specific classroom exercises that are designed to enhance student understanding of current auditing issues. Thus, the resources should address current issues facing the auditing practice community (e. g., new opportunities and challenges, emerging areas, global developments, effects of new regulations or pronouncements, and effects of technological or market developments on audit processes). We define "auditing practice" broadly to include practice-related issues in external auditing, internal auditing, government auditing, IT auditing, assurance services, and related fields. Instructional resources, inclusive of implementation guidance, should follow the editorial guidelines of CIIA and should be a maximum of 2,500 words. The resources should be designed for immediate use by accounting faculty and should have two self-contained parts: the resource material itself (denoted "Instructional Resource"), and a separate instructor's implementation guide (denoted "Instructional Resource Implementation Guide"). Each section should be submitted in a separate file and should have its own references and footnotes.

We have several articles, commentaries, and practitioner summaries that soon will be available. Thanks for you continued support of ***Current Issues in Auditing*** and, again, we invite you to submit your work.

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Have You Seen These Instructional Resources?

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Going Green — Sustainability and External Reporting, in Beasley, et al., *Auditing Cases: An Interactive Learning Approach*, 5th ed. Available from Pearson. This case, new to the 5th edition, addresses the increasingly important topic of sustainability reporting and the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Framework. The case fits in very well in either an undergraduate or graduate auditing course. It discusses both AICPA Attestation Standards 50 and 101, as well as ISAE 3000.

Proposed Auditing Standard on Related Parties and Related Amendments to PCAOB Auditing Standards, available at http://pcaobus.org/Rules/Rulemaking/Docket038/Release_2012-001_Related_Parties.pdf. The proposed standard provides an excellent opportunity to discuss the PCAOB standard setting process and also the proposed standard on related parties. A class assignment can include reading the comment letters available at the online release, and discussing the opinions of different constituents (e.g., audit firms, investor groups, company management, the Center for Audit Quality, etc.).

Sarbanes-Oxley, Ten Years Later, a discussion presented by the Center for Audit Quality (CAQ), available at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VoEaXjX4qSw>. This is an hour-long panel discussion on the influence of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and would provide a good resource for a discussion on regulation of the auditing profession.

The Future of Financial and Business Reporting from a Standards-Setting and Regulatory Perspective : A speech by PCAOB Chairman Doty http://pcaobus.org/News/Speech/Pages/06052012_DotyFutureReporting.aspx
This is the text from the PCAOB Chairman reflecting on the last 125 years of public accounting. It contains some discussion of the future of auditing.

Update on Professional Resources:

KPMG: <http://www.kpmguniversityconnection.com/>

Highlights include new *Integrated Curriculum Modules* on Strategy, Governance, Risk management, Sustainability, Regulations, Health care economics, Cultural transparency, and IT integrity. Each module contains a variety of exercise that are sufficient to cover four 75 minute classes.

PwC: <http://www.pwc.com/us/en/faculty-resource/resources.jhtml>

Highlights include *Challenge Yourself Interactive Business Cases*.

Deloitte: http://www.deloitte.com/view/en_US/us/About/university-relations/Deloitte-Foundation/index.htm

Highlights include *The Auditor Independence Education Materials*, developed by Deloitte & Touche LLP in conjunction with the University of Illinois Center for Professional Responsibility in Business and Society, includes a video, five case studies, a student handout, and an in-class laboratory market game.

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Have You Seen...?

Larry Abbott, University of Wisconsin — Milwaukee
Tamara Lambert, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Yinqi Zhang, American University

"Closing the Loop: Review Process Factors Affecting Audit Staff Follow-Through" by T. A. Lambert and C. P. Agoglia. ***Journal of Accounting Research*** 2011 49: 1275-1306.

This paper uses an experiment to examine the phase of the review process in which audit staff respond to (or "close") review notes/comments provided by their reviewers. The authors find that certain contextual factors (review timeliness and review note frame) influence reviewee follow-through. Specifically, they find that a delayed review elicits significantly lower effort levels than a timely review. Review note frame (i.e., how the reviewer phrases the rationale given for the underlying directive of a review note) significantly affects reviewee effort and performance when the review is timely. Additional analyses explore the mediating effect of effort on performance and find that reviewer delay leads to greater over-documentation (i.e., documentation of procedures not performed).

"Improving Auditors' Fraud Judgments Using a Frequency Response Mode" by N. Kochetova-Kozloski, W. F. Messier Jr., and A. Eilifsen. ***Contemporary Accounting Research*** 2011 28(3): 837-858.

The authors examine whether auditors' probabilistic judgments are closer to a Bayesian benchmark when auditors make judgments using a frequency response mode versus a probability response mode both within and outside their knowledge domain. Results show that auditor responses across the two contexts (a fraud and a medical case) are closer to the Bayesian benchmark when using a frequency response mode. The study also finds that deviations in the auditors' responses from the Bayesian benchmark across both response modes are significantly smaller for the fraud case in the low base rate condition only, and that (2) the deviations in the auditors' responses from the Bayesian benchmark for the fraud case using a frequency response mode relative to the probability response mode are smaller in the low base rate condition than in the other two base rate conditions. The authors conclude that the use of a frequency response mode can improve auditors' assessment of fraud.

"Do Changes in Audit Actions and Attitudes Consistent with Increased Auditor Scepticism Deter Aggressive Earnings Management? An Experimental Investigation" by Q. Chen, K. Khim, and S. Salterio.

Accounting, Organizations and Society 2012 37(2): 95-115.

This study examines whether different audit procedures and attitudes conveyed to management deter aggressive earnings management that may be fraudulent and/or influence managers' perceptions about the ethicality of anticipated earnings management. Using an experiment, the authors find that compared to the condition where the audit proceeds the same as last year, managers anticipate less earnings management when the nature of evidence collected has increased probative value; and when the auditor conveys a more skeptical attitude combined with either an increase in the extent or nature of the evidence. In addition, after controlling for the underlying ethical disposition of managers, different audit procedures and attitudes conveyed to management affect managers' perceptions of the ethicality of anticipated earnings management. Finally, the conditions that engender greater earnings management also paradoxically increase managers' perceived unethicity of the anticipated earnings management. The authors conclude that specific audit actions conveying heightened skepticism have significant influence on managerial judgments and behaviors with respect to committing aggressive earnings management.

"The Relative Effectiveness of Persuasion Tactics in Auditor–Client Negotiations." By S. Perreault and T. Kida. **Accounting, Organizations and Society** 2011 36 (8), 534-547.

The authors examine the effectiveness of four persuasive arguments that auditors may use to convince clients to accept their desired position in auditor–client negotiations and how the style in which the argument is communicated by the auditor impacts its effectiveness. Results indicate that the type of persuasion tactic used by auditors significantly affects the amount of client concessions. Specifically, they find that, while threatening to qualify the audit opinion can result in significant client concessions, a tactic of simply informing the client that other companies have handled the accounting issue in a way consistent with the auditor's preference is as effective, or more effective, than all of the other tactics examined. They also find that clients offer more concessions, evaluate the auditor more positively, and are more satisfied with the negotiation outcome when auditors communicate their arguments using a cooperative, as opposed to a contentious, communication style.

"Audit fee reductions from internal audit-provided assistance: the incremental impact of internal audit characteristics" By Abbott, Lawrence J., Susan Parker and Gary F. Peters. **Contemporary Accounting Research** 2012 (Volume 29, Issue 1): 94-118.

The use of assistance from the internal audit function (IAF) as a means of controlling external audit costs is an important issue to public companies and regulators. The authors first confirm that the IAF is associated with lower audit fees. More importantly, they find incrementally greater reduction in audit fees as (1) the influence over the IAF by audit committee increases; (2) funding for the IAF increases; and (3) the IAF is outsourced. These findings suggest that external auditors attach greater value to the IAF under certain circumstances.

"The impact of nonaudit services on capital markets" By Nam, Seunghan and Joshua Ronen. **Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance** 2012 (Volume 27, Issue 1): 32-60.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act banned the provision of most nonaudit services by auditors, because regulators believe that nonaudit services by auditors impair at least the perceived auditor independence. Contrary to this proposition, the authors find that the proportion of NASs fees to total fees has a positive association with the ability of financial statements to predict a firm's future cash flows and a negative association with the cost of

capital and the bid/ask spread. These findings suggest that NASs are associated with better predictability of financial statements and lower information risk.

"The effect of SOX on small auditor exits and audit quality" By DeFond, Mark L. and Clive S. Lennox. ***Journal of Accounting and Economics*** 2011 (Volume 52, Issue 1): 21-40.

The authors find that over six hundred audit firms with fewer than 100 SEC clients exit the market following passage of SOX. The exiting auditors are lower quality compared to the non-exiting auditors. Furthermore, clients of existing auditors receive higher quality auditing from successor auditors, as reflected by a greater likelihood of receiving going concern opinions. These findings imply that the PCAOB inspections improve audit quality by incentivizing low quality auditors to exit the market.

"Voluntary audits and the cost of debt capital for privately held firms: Korean Evidence" By Kim, Jeong-Bon, Dan A. Simunic, Michael T. Stein and Cheong H. Yi. ***Contemporary Accounting Research*** 2011 (Volume 28, Issue 2): 585-615.

Using a sample of privately held companies in Korea with either no audit or voluntary audits, the authors find compared with private companies that do not purchase audit, interest cost savings at private companies with voluntary audits range from about 56 to 124 basis points. However, there is no significant difference in interest cost savings between Big 4 and non-Big 4 audits. Further, a first-time audit status change from no audit to voluntary audits leads to a greater reduction in cost of debt than a first-time audit status change from no audit to mandatory audits, implying that voluntary audits enhances the credibility of financial statements more than mandatory audits.

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Have You Seen...Audit Section Session Opportunities 2012 AAA Annual Meeting.

2012 Annual Meeting Coordinators

Marsha Keune, Chan Li, and Mark Zimbelman

The Audit Section has an outstanding program for the AAA Annual Meeting being held in Washington DC on August 5–8, 2012.

Click on the link to review the Auditing Section program

http://aaahq.org/AM2012/KC_program_PublishBySection.cfm?sectionID=4.

The program consists of five panel sessions, approximately 100 paper presentations in 23 concurrent sessions and 11 dialogue sessions. Brian Croteau of the Securities and Exchange Commission will provide an "Update on Activities of the SEC's Professional Practice Group of the Office of the Chief Accountant" during Monday's luncheon.

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Special Calls

Call for Papers: Research Forum on Conservatism in Auditing

The purpose of this Forum is to encourage research on the topic of conservatism in auditing. Submissions are invited that focus on "conservatism" versus "accuracy" as well as the causes and effects of this potential bias. Submitted papers may address a variety of research questions related to this topic and may use any method that appropriately addresses these questions. Some illustrative examples of potential research questions are listed below, although other related topics will be considered:

- Will audit quality improve or decline with financial reporting standards that focus on accurate rather than conservative reporting?
- Should the audit report change such that it indicates how conservative, versus aggressive, the registrant's reporting is?
- How will auditors' incentives change under financial reporting standards that focus on accurate rather than conservative reporting?
- Does a conservative bias benefit some financial statement users over others?

Submissions to this Research Forum will be handled by Rick Hatfield (University of Alabama) and Kathryn Kadous (Emory University). Initial submissions should be received by September 1, 2012 and will be subject to the normal review process of *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*.

Call for Papers: Research Forum on Research on Environmental Assurance and Auditing

The purpose of this Forum is to encourage research on environmental assurance and auditing issues. The unifying theme of the Forum is the focus on the environment and we are open to multiple research methods which address relevant topics. Specifically, we would like to encourage multi-disciplinary research related to reporting on GhG (greenhouse gas) metrics, experimental work that is aimed at improving the quality of decision-making for these engagements and ethnographic research on these types of engagements that gives insight into the effect of these assurance services on potential stakeholders. We would like to also encourage archival work that examines the factors that enhance the likelihood and effectiveness of these types of engagements. Note: papers that simply examine CSR or the Carbon Disclosure project on a country-specific

basis will be of less interest to this Forum. Some illustrative research questions that would be appropriate for the Forum include:

- Does assurance influence the quality and reliability of CSR/Environmental disclosures?
- Does assurance related to CSR provide substantive value to stakeholders?
- What is the nature of auditor specialization related to "green" auditing?
- How do financial analysts and investors view assurance related to CSR? Does such assurance influence their investment judgments?
- What is the nature of a "green" audit?
- How does the engagement team form a "green" audit opinion?

Submissions to this Research Forum will be handled by Jeff Cohen (Boston College) and Roger Simnett (University of New South Wales). Initial submissions should be received by November 1, 2012 and will be subject to the normal review process of *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*.

Call for Papers: Research Forum on Qualitative Studies in Auditing

The purpose of this Forum is to encourage research that delves into the black box of auditing and to develop a richer understanding of the audit process and the nature of auditor work in either the public or private sector. We encourage submission of qualitative analyses grounded in a variety of established approaches. More specifically, we invite studies of auditing in concrete organizational settings which draw on established empirical and theoretical research traditions, such as anthropology, ethnography and organizational sociology. Such studies will be an important complement to existing experimental and archival work on auditing. Potential examples of the type of research questions we would like to consider include:

- Auditor-client interactions as key accounting sign-off issues are debated.
- Audit tender process and firm/auditor behavior.
- The nature of the dynamic relationship between audit committees and auditors, both internal and external.
- The nature of standard-setting and its impact on auditor processes and behavior.

Submissions to this Research Forum will be handled by Yves Gendron (Université Laval) and Michael Power (London School of Economics and Political Science). Initial submissions should be received by October 1, 2012 and will be subject to the normal review process of *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*.

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Call for Submissions and Volunteers

Nineteenth Annual Midyear Auditing Section Conference New Orleans, LA

Mark your calendars now for the Nineteenth Annual Midyear Auditing Section Conference that will be held January 17–19, 2013 at the New Orleans Marriott. A Doctoral Consortium will be held on January 17, and we will also be offering another Excellence in Audit Education workshop as part of the conference. The remainder of the conference will consist of keynote speakers, panel discussions, and concurrent sessions dealing with a wide variety of contemporary topics related to audit, attestation and assurance practices, education, and research. Awards will be given for the Best Ph.D. Student Paper submitted to the conference and for the Best Manuscript submitted to the conference. While all papers will be considered for the Best Manuscript award, authors must indicate that they would like to be considered for the Best Ph.D. Student Paper award at the time of submission.

You are encouraged to contribute to the program through submissions of auditing, attestation, and assurance research, education research (including instructional cases), and special session proposals. We are also currently soliciting ideas for session topics, panels, and workshops. Please email your ideas to the address at the bottom of the announcement. Please consider volunteering to participate as a reviewer, discussant, and/or moderator. Details on how to do so will be posted to the Auditing Section website.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Research papers should follow the style and submission guidelines of *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, including the requirement to submit separate electronic files containing the cover page and the paper itself.¹ Instructional cases should be in a format similar to that used in Issues in Accounting Education.

Submissions are not eligible for consideration if they have been published or accepted for publication, were presented at the 2012 AAA Annual Meeting, or were presented at more than one AAA regional meeting or other academic conference. Papers presented at the Research Forum of the AAA Annual Meeting are eligible for consideration. It should be noted that papers accepted for presentation at the 2013 Midyear Auditing Section Conference may also be submitted for presentation at the AAA Annual Meeting scheduled for August 2013.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Submissions must be received by August 31, 2012 to be considered for the program. Early submission is highly encouraged.

Any questions or suggestions for session topics, panels, and/or workshops should be addressed to Jackie Hammersley (University of Georgia) or Linda Myers (University of Arkansas) through the following email

address: lmyers@walton.uark.edu

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17th Annual Symposium on Ethics Research in Accounting

Sponsored by the AAA Professionalism and Ethics Committee
and the Public Interest Section

2012 Annual Meeting, Washington, DC

The Professionalism and Ethics Committee and Public Interest Section of the American Accounting Association invite submission of papers, cases, and panel session proposals for presentation at the 17th Annual Ethics Research Symposium to be held immediately preceding the concurrent meetings, Sunday, August 5, 2012, in the area of Washington, DC.

The AAA's Professionalism and Ethics Committee is charged, in part, "to encourage and support accounting ethics education and scholarship in universities, and more broadly to set a tone for instilling a greater sense of professionalism and ethical conduct in the practice and teaching of accounting."

We, our current and former students, and all practicing accountants and institutions now face conflicting ethical choices that arise from many authorities, so we expect many contributions on topics obtained from the intersection of accounting and ethics.

Therefore the 17th Annual Ethics Research Symposium encourages beginning and completed thoughtful research and teaching papers, and panel sessions, cases studies and notes. Sample topics may include, but are not limited to, the philosophical, theological, social, political, and historical foundations of accounting, its ethics, its professions and its institutions; and its ethical applications in practice to business, organizations, governments, and to the general well being. Ethics quality similar to audit quality research will also benefit from framework and research summary papers. [See for example, Francis, R. Jere. (2011). *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory* 30 (2): 125–152]. Specifically, we encourage researchers in mainstream areas (e.g., financial reporting, auditing, taxation, management, ABO, MIS, public interest, international, teaching, government and non-profit) to identify and address the implications of ethics in your research.

Contributors may receive invitations from the following journals, historically associated with the Annual Ethics Symposium: *Accounting and the Public Interest*, *Critical Perspectives on Accounting*, *Global Perspectives on Accounting Education*, and *Research on Professional Responsibility and Ethics in Accounting*. Given the author's interest then, previous papers from these or other targeted journals should be considered before submission. The Accounting Exemplar Luncheon held on Sunday, jointly sponsored by the Ethics Symposium and the AAA's Public Interest Section, will recognize the Best

Research Paper, the Best Summary of Research Paper, the Two Best Papers by Doctoral Students, and the Best Contribution to Teaching.

A reception is planned for 7 PM Saturday, August 4, with special attention to be given to all doctoral students who attend. Questions and submissions can be sent to Michael Kraten (mkraten@providence.edu) and John Sennetti (ES-AAA@huizenga.nova.edu). (Please use complete addresses).

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The 26th World Continuous Auditing & Reporting Symposium (26 WCARS) will be held at Rutgers Business School on November 2 & 3, 2012.

This conference is the leading forum for the discussion of research and practice into the application of technology to auditing and reporting. The conference alternates between US and non-US locations, with previous conferences held in Monaco (2004), Malta (2005), San Paulo, Brazil (2006-2012), Ferrara, Italy (2007), Crete (2008), Thessaloniki, Greece (2009), and Malatya, Turkey (2012).

Papers and presentations from prior conferences can be found at <http://raw.rutgers.edu/>.

Papers, presentations, and proposals for panels are sought for 26 WCARS with the participation of vendors and implementers of new accounting related technology particularly encouraged. The conference is open to any innovative idea relating to the IT-enabled auditing and reporting, including, but not limited to:

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2. XBRL
3. New forms of financial and non-financial reporting
4. Best practices from industry
5. Impact on regulation of new information technologies
6. Fraud detection
7. Responses to Dodd/Frank and other regulation

Please submit materials in a word document to Dr. Michael Alles at alles@business.rutgers.edu no later than August 31st 2012. General questions on the conference may be addressed to Barbara Jensen at 26WCARS@gmail.com.



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Research: To encourage, facilitate, and publicize research interest and projects in the audit area.

Practice: To create an opportunity for closer association between the profession and those who instruct in the field.

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[2012 Research RFPs Released](#)

The IIA Research Foundation (IIARF) has recently released its 2012 Research Priorities. The six 2012 Research RFP priorities along with the CBOK RFP are [available online](#).

The topics are:

- Ethical Behavior Auditing
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COSO Issues Guidance on Monitoring Internal Controls

The Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) has recently issued its Guidance on Monitoring Internal Control Systems. This business guidance more fully develops the monitoring component of the Internal Control - Integrated Framework to assist companies in ensuring the effectiveness of their financial, operational, and compliance-related internal controls. The guidance consists of three volumes (Guidance; Application; and Examples). An overview of the guidance can be downloaded for free and the three Volume set can be purchased from COSO's website www.coso.org.

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