

**Management Accounting Section (MAS)
President-Elect 2024-2025
Biography and Statement of Intent**

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Biography

Drew Newman is a professor in the School of Accounting at the Darla Moore School of Business (DMSB) at the University of South Carolina and a current Moore Research Fellow. Professor Newman joined the DMSB in 2013 after four years as an assistant professor in accounting at the University of Pittsburgh. He holds a Ph.D. from Georgia State University and a B.S. and a M.S. in Accounting from The University of Alabama. Prior to returning to academia, he spent two years with Ernst & Young as an auditor and four years working in various corporate accounting functions (where his love for managerial accounting was born).

Drew teaches management accounting courses to undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students and was selected as the Professor of the Year by the DMSB's doctoral program in 2020.

Drew's research is also focused on management accounting topics, as he primarily utilizes the experimental methodology to investigate questions that help provide insights regarding how the design of performance incentives, information systems, and management controls in general affect employee behavior. His research has been awarded the "Best Paper" award three times by the Management Accounting Section (twice at the annual meeting, once at the mid-year meeting) and has been published in journals such as *The Accounting Review*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Accounting, Organizations, and Society*, and *Journal of Management Accounting Research*. He is a current Associate Editor at *Behavioral Research in Accounting* and a past Associate Editor at *Journal of Management Accounting Research*. He is currently on the Editorial Boards of *The Accounting Review* and *Journal of Management Accounting Research* while also serving as a frequent ad hoc reviewer for other journals.

Drew has been a member of the American Accounting Association (AAA) and the Management Accounting Section (MAS) since 2005 and has served on a variety of related committees throughout his career.

Statement of Intent

It is a true honor to be nominated for President of the Management Accounting Section (MAS). I thank those that nominated me for trusting in me to serve in such an important role.

I have been a member of MAS basically as long as I have been in academics as I joined AAA and MAS and attended my first mid-year meeting in the second year of my doctoral program (2005-2006). Since that time, I have attended 19 consecutive mid-year meetings. Although a lot has changed over these nearly 20 years, one constant has been the high-quality members of MAS. From my very first meeting, MAS members set a great example of engaging in passionate service, the importance of inclusivity, and the value of mentorship. I truly believe that MAS is second-to-none when it comes to AAA sections, and I know that my academic career would not have been as successful or fulfilling if I were not a member of MAS. The friends, mentors, coauthors, and connections I have met through MAS make the mid-year meeting truly feel like an annual family reunion.

Following in the examples that were set for me early on, I have always welcomed the opportunity to help MAS in any way I can. This includes serving on committees such as the publications committee, dissertation award committee, and the President nominating committee. I have also co-chaired multiple doctoral colloquiums as part of the mid-year meeting and recently have volunteered to serve as a dissertation mentor for students attending the colloquium. I have also been an advocate for *JMAR* and have happily worked as an Associate Editor, Editorial Board member, and ad hoc reviewer to try to help in any way I can to maintain and improve the quality of our section journal.

Serving as President is obviously a step up in responsibility from all of my prior MAS service. Thankfully, however, I am not alone in taking on this role. There is a great leadership team in place (soon to be led by incoming President Karen Sedatole) and I look forward to learning from and working with this team. I also have no doubt that past leaders as well as future leaders will continue the MAS tradition of chipping in to do what it takes to make our section so great. There are many potential areas where our efforts can be directed, and I look forward to the opportunity to work with MAS membership to better understand their priorities. Potential areas of focus include (but are not limited to): promoting the continued diversity in topics, methods, and background of our MAS membership; working with our corporate partners and sponsors to strengthen our research and teaching connections to practice; continuing to ensure that doctoral students and junior faculty have the resources, training, and access they need to start their academic career; elevating management accounting's role in helping with the accounting undergraduate major shortage that many of us are facing at our respective institutions; and continuing to elevate *JMAR*'s positioning in terms of visibility and journal rankings.

Thank you again for considering me for the important role of MAS President. I am truly humbled to be nominated and welcome the opportunity serve MAS in this role.