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### EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

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#### Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Ph.D. in Business Administration – Accounting

Expected May 2026

#### University of Maine, Orono, ME

M.B.A. – Accounting, Summa Cum Laude

May 2019

B.S. in Business Administration – Accounting, Summa Cum Laude

May 2018

#### Certified Public Accountant

Maine – active (License # CP10571)

### RESEARCH

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#### Research Interests

The economic consequences of federal, state, and local tax policies and regulatory requirements.

#### Working Papers (\* - *presented by co-author*)

“The 150 Credit Hour Rule: Differential Effects Across Accounting Firms” (dissertation)

- Presented at the 2025 AAA Western Region Doctoral Student/Faculty Interchange, Arizona State University, the 2025 BYU Accounting Research Symposium, Florida International University, Miami University, the University of Arizona, the University of Arkansas, the University of Connecticut, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and the University of Oklahoma

“Uncertainty and State Income Tax Conformity: Evidence from the Paycheck Protection Program” with Jenny Brown and Roger White.

- Revising for third-round submission at *Contemporary Accounting Research*
- Presented at the 2023 American Taxation Association Midyear Meeting, Arizona State University, 2023 University of Illinois Tax Doctoral Consortium, and the University of Texas at Arlington\*

“Demand-Based Tax Policies and Labor Market Outcomes: Evidence from the Restaurant Industry” with Jenny Brown and Mary Cowx.

- Revising for submission to a top accounting journal
- Presented at the 2024 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting, the 2025 American Taxation Association Midyear Meeting, the Southern California Tax Readings Group, and Texas Tech University\*

“Taxes and the Choice of Organizational Form: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from the Pass-Through Entity Tax” with Mary Cowx, David Kenchington, and Roger White.

- Revising for submission to a top journal
- Presented at the 2026 American Taxation Association Midyear Meeting, the 2025 BYU Accounting Research Symposium\*, and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville\*

## **EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS**

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- 2026 University of Connecticut  
Florida International University  
ATA Midyear Meeting  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
University of Arizona
- 2025 University of Arkansas  
Miami University  
University of Oklahoma  
BYU Accounting Research Symposium  
AAA Western Region Doctoral Student/Faculty Interchange  
ATA Midyear Meeting
- 2024 AAA Annual Meeting  
AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium
- 2023 University of Illinois Tax Doctoral Consortium  
AAA Annual Meeting (*discussant*)  
ATA Midyear Meeting
- 2022 NTA Annual Meeting (*anceled – Tropical Storm Nicole*)

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

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AAA Annual Meeting	2023 – 2025
AAA FARS Midyear Meeting	2023
AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium	2024
AAA Western Region Doctoral Student/Faculty Interchange	2025
ASU Cactus Conference	2024 – 2026
ASU/University of Arizona Joint Conference	2022 – 2025
ATA Midyear Meeting	2023 – 2026
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	2025
KPMG/ATA Doctoral Consortium	2023, 2024
NTA Annual Meeting	2022
University of Illinois Arthur R. Wyatt Young Scholars Research Symposium	2025
University of Illinois Symposium on Tax Research	2023, 2025
University of Illinois Tax Doctoral Consortium	2023, 2025
University of Texas Tax Theory Seminar	2023

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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### Ad-hoc Journal Reviewer

Journal of International Accounting, Auditing and Taxation

### Conference Reviewer

AAA Annual Meeting

2023 – 2025

ATA Midyear Meeting

2024 – 2026

Hawaii Accounting Research Conference

2025, 2026

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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**Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ

Instructor

Spring 2025

Taxes and Business Decisions (ACC 430)

*Instructor Rating – Mean: 6.7/7.0 | Median: 7.0/7.0*

**Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ

Research Assistant

August 2021 – Present

**University of Maine**, Orono, ME

Graduate Assistant

August 2018 – May 2019

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Baker Newman Noyes**, Portland, ME

Tax Staff

May 2019 – June 2021

Audit Intern

May 2018 – August 2018

**BerryDunn**, Bangor, ME

Tax Intern

January 2018 – April 2018

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

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Deloitte Foundation Doctoral Fellow

2025

AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow

2024

University of Maine Business School Outstanding Graduate Student

2019

University of Maine Business School Outstanding Undergraduate Student

2018