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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Lundquist College of Business, University of Oregon

Tykeson Associate Professor of Accounting 2024 - present
Richard W. Lindholm Associate Professor of Taxation, 2023 – 2024
Associate Professor (with tenure), 2023 – present

Smeal College of Business, Pennsylvania State University

Associate Professor (with tenure), 2022 - 2023
Assistant Professor, 2018 - 2022

David Eccles School of Business, University of Utah

Assistant Professor, 2016 – 2018

Northwestern University, Kellogg School of Management

Visiting Assistant Professor, 2015 - 2016

University of Illinois at Chicago

Lecturer (ABD-Arizona State University), 2014 - 2015

- Completed dissertation proposal and defense during the 2014/2015 academic year

Assistant Professor, 2015 - 2016

EDUCATION

Arizona State University – W.P. Carey School of Business

- Ph.D. in Accounting, December 2014
- Master of Taxation, May 2007
- Bachelor of Science – Accounting, May 2006

RESEARCH

Author names appear alphabetically in the accounting discipline.

Peer-Reviewed Publications:

Ferracuti, Elia[✉], Roni Michaely, and Laura A. Wellman. “Political Activism and Market Power.” *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis* (2025): 1 – 42. ([Link](#))

- **Media mentions:** *Duke Fuqua Insights*
- **Presentations:** University of Southern California, Duke University*, ESCP Paris*, Norwich Business School*, Pennsylvania State University, Singapore Management University*, Tel Aviv University*, University of Cyprus*, University of Manchester*, 2020 Swiss Finance Institute Conference*, 2020 Financial Accounting Research Section (FARS) Midyear Conference, 2019 Annual Corporate Finance Conference (keynote), University of Bristol*, 2019 Multinational Society Finance Conference (keynote), Israel*, Singapore Management University*, 2018 Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting*, 2018 Summer Finance Conference in Jerusalem

Robinson, Scott A., Jonathan Rogers, A. Nicole Skinner, and Laura A. Wellman. “ESG Ownership and Environmental Disclosures.” *Contemporary Accounting Research*, Forthcoming. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Media mentions:** *The FinReg Blog*, Duke Financial Economics Center
- **Presentations:** University of Colorado Boulder*, North Carolina State University*, 2022 AAA Annual Meeting*, Colorado Accounting Research Symposium*

Ma, Matthew[✉], Jing Pan[✉], Ethan Rouen, and Laura A. Wellman. “Legislators’ Demand for Firms’ Public Disclosures: Evidence from U.S. Congressional Redistricting Events.” *Review of Accounting Studies* (2025): 1 - 42. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Presentations:** 2021 Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting, Indiana University, University of Oregon, Emory University, University of Calgary, Pennsylvania State University, Harvard Business School*

Christensen, Dane M., Hengda Jin[✉], Joshua A. Lee, Suhas A. Sridharan, and Laura A. Wellman. “Corporate Political Activism and Information Transfers.” *The Accounting Review* 99, no. 3 (2024):87-113. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Media mentions:** Around the O, Yahoo News, KOIN News (CBS Affiliate)
- **Presentations:** Texas A&M University, Emory University Goizueta Business School*, Pennsylvania State University, University of Michigan*, University of Oregon*, University of Washington*, Early Insights in Accounting Webinar*, IIM Bangalore 2020 Accounting Research Conference*, 2019 Dopuch Conference at Washington University in St. Louis

Christensen, Dane M., Arthur Morris[✉], Beverly R. Walther, and Laura A. Wellman. “Political Information Flow and Management Guidance.” *Review of Accounting Studies* 28, no. 3 (2023): 1466-1499. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Presentations:** The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*, University of North Texas*, Texas A&M University, University of Washington*, 2019 Dopuch Conference at Washington University in St. Louis

Stephan, Andrew P. [✉], Beverly R. Walther, and Laura A. Wellman. “Profiting from Connections: Do Politicians Receive Stock Tips from Brokerage Houses?” *Journal of Accounting and Economics* 72, no. 1(2021): 101401. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Presentations:** 2016 BYU Accounting Research Symposium, 2017 Financial Accounting Research Section Midyear Meeting, 2018 University of Illinois at Chicago Accounting Research Conference.

Pawliczek, A., A. Nicole Skinner, and Laura A. Wellman. “A New Take on Voice: The Influence of BlackRock’s ‘Dear CEO’ Letters.” *Review of Accounting Studies* 26, no. 3(2021): 1088-1136. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Media mentions:** Institutional Investor, Forbes, Newswise, The Financial, Phys.org
- **Award:** Recipient of the 2020 *Review of Accounting Studies* Conference Best Paper Award
- **Journal Conference Presentation:** 2020 *Review of Accounting Studies* Conference paper
- **Additional Presentations:** University of Georgia, University of Iowa, Corporate Governance and Executive Compensation Research Series

Christensen, Dane M., Hengda Jin[✉], Suhas A. Sridharan, and Laura A. Wellman. “Hedging on the Hill: The Influence of Political Hedging on Equity and Earnings Volatility.” *Management Science* 68, no. 6 (2022) 4356-4379. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Presentations:** 2019 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting, 2019*, 2019 CAPANA Conference, Harbin China*, 2019 Western Region Doctoral Student Faculty Interchange*, Emory University, 2018*, Georgia State University, 2018*

Brown, Jennifer L., K.C. Lin, Jared A. Moore, and Laura A. Wellman. “The Impact of Tax Policy Uncertainty on Forecasting.” *Journal of the American Taxation Association* 44, no. 2 (2022):7-33. [\(Link\)](#)

- **Presentations:** 2014 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting, University of Oregon*, University of Waterloo*, 6th EAISM Workshop on Current Research in Taxation*

Nagar, V., Jordan Schoenfeld, and Laura A. Wellman. “The Effect of Economic Policy Uncertainty on Investor Information Asymmetry and Management Disclosures.” *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 67(1), pp. 36-57. ([Link](#))

- **Recognition:** Web of Science Highly Cited Paper (in top 1% of Economics & Business)
- **Presentations:** Pennsylvania State University, University of Texas at Austin, Brigham Young University*, Northwestern University*, Baruch College*, Georgetown University*, Temple University*, University of Utah*

Christensen, Dane M., Michael B. Mikhail, Beverly R. Walther, and Laura A. Wellman. “From K Street to Wall Street: Politically Connected Analysts and Stock Recommendations.” *The Accounting Review* 92, no. 3 (2017): 87-112. ([Link](#))

- **Presentations:** 2013 Brigham Young University Accounting Research Symposium*, 2014 Financial Accounting Research Section Midyear Meeting, 2014 Midwest Accounting Conference*, 2014 Penn State Accounting Research Conference*, University of Notre Dame*, 2014 Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting, 2014 University of Illinois at Chicago Accounting Research Conference

Wellman, Laura A. “Mitigating Political Uncertainty.” *Review of Accounting Studies* 22, no. 1 (2017): 217-250. ([Link](#))

- **Presentations:** Northwestern University, University of Chicago, University of North Carolina, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Utah, Duke University, Georgetown University, Boston College, Arizona State University

Brown, Jennifer. L., Katharine Drake, and Laura A. Wellman. “The Benefits of a Relational Approach to Corporate Political Activity: Evidence from Political Contributions to Tax Policymakers.” *Journal of the American Taxation Association* 37, no. 1 (2015): 69-102 ([Link](#))

- **Media mentions:** Washington Post, NPR National, Politico, The Hill
- **Award:** Recipient of the Journal of the American Taxation Association Outstanding Paper Award
- **Presentations:** 2013 University of North Carolina Tax Symposium, 2013 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting, 2013 Western Region Doctoral Student Faculty Interchange, Arizona State University

Working Papers

Christensen, Dane M., Hengda Jin[¥], Beverly R. Walther, and Laura Wellman. “Senator Actions and Trading.”

- **Former Title:** “Location, Location, Location: Senate Trading and Seat Proximity.”
- **Presentations:** Fordham University*, Miami University*, The Ohio State University*, University of California-Berkeley*, University of Colorado-Boulder*, University of Hong Kong*, University of Oklahoma*, Financial Accounting Research Section Midyear Meeting*, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference*, American Accounting Association Annual Meeting*
- **Status:** Under review at *Review of Accounting Studies*

Robinson, Scott A., Beverly R. Walther, Laura A. Wellman, Anthony Xu[¥]. “State-level Policy Uncertainty and Green Investing.”

- **Presentations:** 2024 University of British Columbia*, University of Oregon*, and University of Washington (UBCOW) Conference*
- **Status:** Preparing for 1st round submission to *The Accounting Review*

Fox, Zackery D., Jaewoo Kim, Bryce Schonberger, Laura A. Wellman. “Politically Informed Trading and Managerial Learning.”

- **Presentations:** Northwestern University*
- **Status:** Preparing for 1st round submission to *Journal of Accounting and Economics*

Kim, Jaewoo, Kyle Peterson, Laura A. Wellman, and Anthony Xu[‡]. “Corporate Responses to Anti-DEI Pressure: Evidence from Students for Fair Admission v. Harvard.”

- **Presentations:** 2025 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting*
- **Status:** Preparing for 1st round submission to *The Accounting Review*

Work-In-Progress

Skinner, A. Nicole, Beverly R. Walther, Laura A. Wellman, Bohyun Yang[‡], “Do Corporate Voluntary Disclosures Influence Policymaking?”

Kim, Jaewoo, Wookjin Kim[‡], Scott A. Robinson, Laura A. Wellman. “Political Misalignment and EPA Enforcement.”

Kim, Wookjin[‡], Kyle Peterson, Laura A. Wellman, Bohyun Yang[‡]. “The Real Effect of Reporting Mandates on Firm Detection Efforts & Innovation.”

Robinson, Scott A., Suhas Sridharan, Jackie Wagner, Laura A. Wellman. “Political Tweets.”

* = Presentation by co-author

‡ = Current or former PhD student at time of submission.

ACADEMIC CITATIONS (as of 8/1/2025)

- [Google Scholar](#): 1,399
- [Web of Science](#): 593

PRESENTATIONS

- Rutgers University (scheduled)
- University of Maryland (scheduled)
- Georgetown University (scheduled)
- University of Arkansas (scheduled)
- Oregon State University (scheduled)
- Indiana University, 2021
- University of Oregon, 2021
- Emory University, 2021
- University of Calgary, 2021
- Pennsylvania State University, 2021
- University of Iowa, 2020
- University of Southern California, 2020
- Texas A&M University, 2019
- 2018 Summer Finance Conference in Jerusalem[†]
- 2018 University of Colorado Summer Accounting Research Conference[†]
- 2018 Financial Accounting Research Section Midyear Meeting
- Pennsylvania State University, 2018
- 2017 Global Issues in Accounting Conference, University of Chicago[†]
- 2017 Financial Accounting Research Section Midyear Meeting
- University of Texas at Austin, 2017
- University of Georgia, 2017

- Arizona State University, 2017
- Northwestern University, 2016
- University of Chicago, 2016
- University of North Carolina, 2016
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2016
- 2016 Brigham Young University Accounting Research Symposium
- Duke University, 2015
- Georgetown University, 2015
- Boston College, 2014
- Arizona State University, 2014
- 2014 Financial Accounting Research Section Midyear Meeting
- 2014 Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting
- 2014 University of Illinois at Chicago Accounting Research Conference[†]
- 2014 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting
- 2013 University of North Carolina Tax Symposium[†]
- 2013 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting
- 2013 Western Region Doctoral Student Faculty Interchange
- Arizona State University, 2012

[†] = Invitation-only conference

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Oregon

- Principles of Managerial Accounting, 2023 – present
- Accounting Seminar – Current Research in Accounting, 2025
- **Doctoral Dissertation Committee:**
 - o Ana Sosa Salgado (2025 – present, co-chair)
- **Doctoral Student Summer Paper Advising:**
 - o Anthony Xu (2024, 2025)
 - o Ana Sosa Salgado (2024)
 - o Wookjin Kim (2025)
 - o Becky Driver (2025)
- **Doctoral Student Summer Coach:**
 - o Ana Sosa Salgado (2024, 2025)
 - o Becky Driver (2025)
 - o Bohyun Yang (2025)
 - o Wookjin Kim (2025)

Penn State University

- Principles of Taxation, Integrated Master of Accounting, 2018 – 2022
- **Doctoral Dissertation Committee:**
 - o Vincent Castellani (member; University at Buffalo, School of Management)
 - o Alyssa Hagerty (member; Georgia Southern University)
 - o Mirna Boghossian (member; University of Delaware)

University of Utah

- Financial Accounting, Executive Leadership Series, 2018
- Financial Accounting, Professional MBA, 2016 – 2017

Northwestern University

- Accounting for Decision Making, MBA, 2015

University of Illinois at Chicago

- Introduction to Individual Taxation, 2015

Arizona State University

- Introduction to Managerial Accounting, 2010 – 2011

EXTERNAL SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Editorial Board:

- *The Accounting Review* (2023 – present)

Ad hoc reviewer:

- *Journal of Accounting and Economics*
- *Journal of Accounting Research*
- *The Accounting Review*
- *Management Science*
- *Review of Accounting Studies*
- *Contemporary Accounting Research*
- *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*
- *Managerial Finance*
- *Journal of Accounting and Public Policy*
- *Journal of American Taxation Association*
- *Public Choice*

Discussant, Reviewer, American Accounting Association, Annual & Midyear Meetings

External Dissertation Reviewer:

- Nicola Maria Fiore, Bocconi University, Milan Italy (2024)

INTERNAL ACADEMIC SERVICE

University of Oregon

Department Service

- Service Leadership
 - Course Coordinator for Principles of Managerial Accounting, Core Pre-Business (2023 – present)
- Additional Service
 - Doctoral Student Committee (2023 – present, member)
 - Strategic Planning Committee (2023 – present, member)
 - Promotion and Tenure Committee (2023 – present, member)
 - Faculty Recruiting Committee (2023, member)

College Service

- Service Leadership
 - Promotion and Tenure Committee (2025 – 2026, chair; 2023 – 2024, member)
 - Lundquist Strategic Plan Advisory Committee (2024 – present, chair)
- Additional Service
 - Lundquist College of Business Mentoring Program (2024, member)
 - Stewart Distinguished Faculty Award Selection Committee (2023, member)

University Service

- Graduate Council (2024 – present, member)

Penn State University

Department Service

- PhD-Prep Program Development (2022 – 2023, member)
- P&T Committee: Tenure and Promotion to Associate Professor (2022 – 2023, member)
- P&T Committee: Second-Year and Fourth-Year Reviews (2022 – 2023, member)
- Tenure-Track Faculty Search Committee (2019 – 2023, member)
- Department Advisory Committee (2018 – 2019, 2022 – 2023, member)
- Honors & University Scholars Advisors Committee (2022 – 2023, member)
- Search Committee for Clinical Tax Professor/Director (2019 – 2020, member)
- Research Colloquium Coordinator (2019 – 2020)

College Service

- Task Force of New Master of Taxation Program Development (2019 – 2020, member)
- Committee for Small Grants to Support Research Expenses for Smeal Faculty and Doctoral Students (2018 – 2020, member)

University Service

- Academic Administrative Evaluation Committee – Review of the Office of the Dean of Penn State Smeal College of Business (2021 – 2022, member)

University of Utah

Department Service

- Faculty Recruiting Committee (2016 – 2017, member)
- Research Seminar Series (2016 – 2017, member)

University of Illinois at Chicago

Department Service

- Faculty Recruiting Committee (2014 – 2015, member)
- 2014 Accounting Conference Committee (2014 – 2015, member)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Tykeson Associate Professor of Accounting 2024 - present
- Richard W. Lindholm Associate Professor of Taxation, 2023 – 2024
- *Review of Accounting Studies* Conference Best Paper Award, 2020
- *Journal of the American Taxation Association* Outstanding Paper Award, 2015
- School of Accountancy Summer Research Grant, May 2012
- Ernst & Young Doctoral Travel Grant, ATA Mid-Year Meeting, March 2011
- University Graduate Fellowship, Arizona State University, 2011, 2012, 2013
- RSM McGladrey, Inc. Scholarship Award, Fall 2006
- Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants Scholarship, Fall 2005
- Financial Executives Institute Scholarship, Fall 2005
- University Undergraduate Scholarship, Arizona State University, Fall 2004, Fall 2005

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND CERTIFICATION

- Senior Accountant– Abalos & Associates, PLLC, Phoenix, Arizona 2007-2010
- Senior Accountant– US Airways, Phoenix, Arizona 2007
- Tax Associate, Intern– RSM McGladrey, Inc., Phoenix, Arizona, 2005-2006

- Tax Intern – Geoffrey Caldwell, CPA, Phoenix, Arizona 2005-2006
- Certified Public Accountant (inactive), Arizona, 2007