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EDUCATION

University of Connecticut, School of Business, Storrs, CT

Ph.D. Accounting

2024 (expected)

Wake Forest University, Schools of Business, Winston-Salem, NC
M.S. Accountancy – Tax Specialization

San Diego State University, San Diego, CA Universidad de Valparaiso, Valparaiso, Chile B.A. International Business (dual degree program) 2008

RESEARCH

Interests

Corporate taxation, individual taxation, environmental, social, and governance (ESG)

Working Papers

- "Public Pensions and Firm Tax Avoidance" Dissertation committee: Steven Utke (chair), David Weber, Francis Murphy
 - Presentations: Rising Scholars Conference, The University of Chicago, Booth School of Business (2022); University of Connecticut (2023); PhD Project-Baruch College Research Symposium (2023, scheduled); AAA Annual Meeting (2023, scheduled)
- "Tax Constraints and Executive Turnover: Evidence from the Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017"
 - o Presentations: University of Connecticut (2021)
- "Returns and R&D Intensity"
 - o Presentations: University of Connecticut (2020)

Research Assistant, University of Connecticut

Dr. Yanhua Sunny Yang	2022-2023
Dr. Francis Murphy	2020-2021
Dr. Steven Utke	2019-2020

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

• AAA Annual Meeting (presenter, scheduled)

2023

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 The PhD Project-Baruch College Research Symposium (presenter, schedule AAA Sustainability, ESG, and Accounting Conference (discussant) AAA American Tax Association Midyear Meeting Rising Scholars Conference, The University of Chicago, Booth School of Business (presenter) AAA American Tax Association Midyear Meeting AAA Journal of International Accounting Research Consortium The Ohio State University Tax Research Consortium AAA American Tax Association Midyear Meeting University of Texas/Waterloo Tax Symposium 	2023 2023 2023 2022 2022 2021 2021 2021
AAA Annual Meeting	2019
TEACHING	
University of Connecticut	
 Principles of Managerial Accounting. Instructor of Record (three sections, in-person) 	Fall 2022
 Principles of Managerial Accounting. Instructor of Record (one section, online) 	Summer 2022
 Principles of Financial Accounting. Teaching Assistant 	Fall 2021
SERVICE	
 AAA Annual Meeting (reviewer) 	2023
 AAA American Tax Association Midyear Meeting (reviewer) 	2022
University of Connecticut Tax Readings Group	2019-Present
AWARDS AND HONORS	
 AICPA Accounting Doctoral Scholars 	2019-2024
 AICPA Fellowship for Minority Doctoral Students 	2019-2024
 Harriott Fellowship (University of Connecticut) 	2019-2024
 AICPA William (Bill) Ezzell Scholarship 	2019
ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	
 National Tax Association 	Current
 American Accounting Association (AAA) 	Current
 American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) 	Current
• The PhD Project	Current
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
Ernst & Young LLP, Los Angeles, CA Tax Senior Associate, Tax Associate, Tax Intern	2014-2017
United States Department of Justice, Civil Division Office of Immigration Litigation, Washington, DC Paralegal Specialist	2010-2013

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IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program	1

2010-2013

US Investigation Services, Washington, DC Document Management Technician

2009-2010

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- Bilingual: Spanish (advanced proficiency)
- Certified Public Accountant: California License #133845

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