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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Massachusetts – Amherst 2019 – Present
Isenberg School of Management
Assistant Professor

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Accountancy, Arizona State University 2019
M.S., Accounting, City University of New York – Queens College 2013
B.B.A., Nanchang University (China) 2005
B.A., Nanchang University (China) 2005

RESEARCH

Research Interests

Audit regulation, audit quality, corporate governance, internal audit

Publications

Lamoreaux, P.T., M.J. Mowchan, and W. Zhang. 2023. Does PCAOB Regulatory Enforcement Deter Non-Sanctioned Auditors? *The Accounting Review*.

Mowchan, M.J., and W. Zhang. 2023. PCAOB Enforcement: Toothless body of law or a bite that packs a punch? *Current Issues in Auditing*.

Working Papers

“Relative Liability for Negligence and Financial Reporting Quality: Evidence from the Audit Interference Rule” (with H. Park and M. Mayberry)

“Auditor Responses to Regulatory Risk: Evidence from SEC Investigations” (with N. Xu)

“Does a Chief Audit Executive Matter? Evidence from Corporate Disclosure of the Position”

“Anormal Tone and Audit Fees” (with J. Huang, S. Kaplan, and X. Yu)

“Knowledge Transfer in Regulatory Oversight: Evidence from Comment Letters” (With N. Hu and S. Yu)

“Does Individual Reputation Drive an Auditor to Cherish Feathers? A Quasi Natural Experiment” (with N. Hu)

PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Workshop Presentations

University of Massachusetts – Amherst, 2019
Temple University, 2019
Arizona State University, 2019, 2018, 2017

Conference Presentations

AAA Auditing Section Midyear Meeting, 2023, 2020, 2018
AAA Annual Meeting, 2022
Miami Rookie Recruiting and Research Camp, 2018
International Symposium on Audit Research, 2018

Conference Participation

AAA Auditing Section Midyear Meeting, 2023 (*presenter, discussant, and reviewer*), 2022 (*reviewer*), 2021 (*discussant and reviewer*), 2020 (*presenter, discussant, and reviewer*), 2019 (*reviewer*), 2018 (*presenter*), 2017 (*discussant and reviewer*), 2016
PCAOB/TAR Conference, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019
AAA Annual Meeting, 2022 (*presenter and reviewer*), 2021 (*reviewer*), 2020 (*reviewer*), 2018 (*reviewer and discussant*), 2017 (*reviewer*), 2016
2022 EYARC Colloquium
New Institutional Accounting Conference, 2022 (held virtually by Fudan University)
International Symposium on Audit Research, 2022 (*reviewer*) 2019, 2018 (*presenter*)
AAA Financial Accounting and Reporting Section Midyear Meeting, 2021
The Center for Audit Quality CAQ Symposium, 2020
AAA New Faculty Consortium, 2020
Doctoral Student Faculty Interchange at the AAA Northeast Region Meeting, 2019 (*faculty discussant*)
Arizona State University/University of Arizona Joint Research Conference, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014
AAA Auditing Section Doctoral Consortium, 2018, 2017
AAA/Deloitte/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium, 2017

TEACHING

Teaching Interests

Auditing, financial accounting and reporting

Teaching Experience

University of Massachusetts – Amherst
ACC441, Auditing (Fall 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019)

Arizona State University
ACC450, Principles of Auditing (Summer 2018, 2017)

SERVICE

Editorial Board

Auditing: A Journal of Practice and Theory, Oct 2021 – Aug 2023

Ad-Hoc Reviewer

Contemporary Accounting Research 2022

Accounting, Organizations, and Society 2023, 2021

Auditing: A Journal of Practice and Theory 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020

Journal of International Accounting Research 2021, 2019

Journal of Accounting and Public Policy 2020, 2019

International Journal of Auditing 2020

Journal of International Accounting, Auditing & Taxation 2019

School and Department

Department Workshop Committee, 2022 – present

Doctoral Student Committee, 2019 – present

Scholarship Committee, 2021 – 2022

Doctoral Comprehensive Exam Committee, 2021, 2022

Social Media Ambassadors for UMassGives, Spring 2021, 2022, 2023

Faculty Advisor for Undergraduate Accounting Majors, 2021

Isenberg Faculty Speaker Series, Spring 2021

Community

Board Member, Amherst Ballet, July 2020 – present

AWARDS, HONORS, AND GRANTS

PwC INquires Grant, 2023

AAA Auditing Section Midyear Meeting Best Archival Paper Award, 2023

Journal of International Accounting Research Best Reviewer Award, 2021

PwC INquires Grant, 2020

AAA Auditing Section Best Ph.D. Student Paper Award, 2018

Graduate College Travel Award, Arizona State University, 2018

University Graduate Fellowship, Arizona State University, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

AAA Auditing Section Doctoral Consortium Fellow, 2017, 2018

AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow, 2017

J. Hal Reneau Memorial Fellowship, Arizona State University, 2017

Graduate Distinguished Scholar Award, City University of New York, Queens College, 2013

Accounting Department Scholarship, City University of New York, Queens College, 2013

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Staff Accountant, TCM Corporation, (Long Island City, NY)

2010 – 2012

Accounting Clerk, Teamwork Contracting (Flushing, NY)

2005 – 2010