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EDUCATION

University of Washington, Ph.D. in Business Administration (Accounting), expected June 2011
Dissertation: “Investor Valuation of Tax Avoidance through Uncertain Tax Positions”
Committee: Terry Shevlin (Chair), Bob Bowen, Neil Bruce, Jon Karpoff, Ed Rice,
and Mark Soliman

University of Washington, Master of Science in Business Administration (Accounting), 2009

The George Washington University, Master of Accountancy, 2004

University of Arizona, B.S.B.A. (Accounting), summa cum laude with honors, 2003

RESEARCH

Areas of Interest:

Financial Reporting, Corporate Taxation, Capital Markets, Internal Controls, Financial Misconduct

Working Papers and Works in Progress:

“Investor Valuation of Tax Avoidance through Uncertain Tax Positions” (dissertation)
- Selected for presentation at the 2011 ATA Mid-year Meeting (Washington, DC)

“Attracting Attention in a Limited Attention World: an Exploration of the Forces behind Positive Extreme Earnings Surprises” (with Russ Lundholm and Mark Soliman)
- Under review at *The Accounting Review*
- Selected for presentation at the 2011 FARS Mid-year Meeting (Tampa, FL)

“The Informativeness of SOX Section 404(a) Internal Control Disclosures Provided by Non-Accelerated Filers” (with Weili Ge)
- Preparing for submission to *The Accounting Review*

“A Comparison of Databases Used for Financial Misconduct Research”
(with Jon Karpoff and Jerry Martin)
- Data analysis stage

“An Analysis of Success Determinants in Pre-Venture Innovation”
(with Chris Barrows and Lloyd Tanlu)
- Selected for presentation at the 2011 Babson College Entrepreneurship Research Conference
- Data analysis stage; two surveys distributed to more than 1,000 Startup Weekend participants in 15 cities during the Kauffman Foundation’s Global Entrepreneurship Week in November 2010

Publications:

Edwards, A., Koester, A., Shevlin, T., 2010. “Examining Investor Reaction to IRS Announcement 2010-09.” *Tax Notes* (May): 669-674.

AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS

2010	University of Washington Executive MBA Class of 2010 Top Teaching Assistant
2009	Deloitte Foundation Doctoral Fellowship
2009	University of Washington Foster School Global Business Center Summer Fellowship
2008	PricewaterhouseCoopers xFAC Competition (National Winner)
2007	University of Washington Foster School Instructor of the Quarter Nominee
2006 - 2008	University of Washington Arthur and Mary Lorig Scholarship
2005	The George Washington University Master of Accountancy Leadership Award
2003 - 2004	The George Washington University merit-based scholarship
2003	University of Arizona Eller College of Management Barrett Leadership Award
2001 - 2003	University of Arizona Dean's List and Academic Distinction
2000 - 2003	University of Arizona merit-based scholarship

TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE (University of Washington)

2010, 2009	Managerial Accounting – Executive MBA Program (2 sections) 4.8 / 5.0 teaching evaluation
2009	Financial Accounting – Executive MBA Program (1 section) 4.7 / 5.0 teaching evaluation
2008	Financial Statement Analysis – Technology Management MBA Program (1 section) Program did not solicit student evaluations
2007	Introduction to Financial Accounting – Undergraduate Program (4 sections) 4.87 / 5.0 teaching evaluation
2007	Introduction to Managerial Accounting – Undergraduate Program (2 sections) 4.86 / 5.0 teaching evaluation

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

2010	AAA/Deloitte/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium (Lake Tahoe, CA)
2010, 2009	American Accounting Association (AAA) Annual Meeting
2009	PAC-10 Doctoral Student Consortium
2009	AAA FARS Mid-Year Meeting and Doctoral Student Consortium
2009, 2008	University of Illinois Tax Symposium
2008 - 2010	Universities of British Columbia, Oregon, and Washington (UBCOW) Conference
2008	AAA ATA Mid-Year Meeting and Doctoral Student Consortium
2006	University of North Carolina Tax Symposium

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE and CERTIFICATIONS

2006	KPMG, LLP Washington National Tax Senior Associate	Washington, DC
2004 - 2006	KPMG, LLP Federal Tax Services Senior Associate	McLean, VA
2003	KPMG, LLP Washington National Tax Intern	Washington, DC
2003	Deloitte & Touche, LLP Assurance Services Intern	Phoenix, AZ
2005 - present	Certified Public Accountant (CPA)	Virginia

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2009	Ad hoc reviewer, Accounting Horizons
2009, 2007	University of Washington Doctoral Business Student Association board member

REFERENCES

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