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November 3, 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: Full-Time Faculty, Levin College of Law
FROM: Merritt McAlister, Dean
RE: Faculty Meeting Agenda, November 10, 2026

Our next Faculty Meeting of the 2026-2027 academic year will take place in the Faculty Lounge on Tuesday, November 10, 2026. The meeting will begin at 12:00 noon and will end no later than 1:00 pm.

The agenda is as follows:

1. Action Item: Approve faculty meeting minutes for October 13, 2026, attached (Dean McAlister)

2. Action Item: Approve Fall 2026 graduates, attached (Dean McAlister)

3. Action Item: Revisions to Externship and Semester in Practice policies (Curriculum Committee)

4. Action Item: Present Affiliate Status for Assistant Professor Gabriel P. Pündrich, Fisher School of Accounting, for approval (Dean Marshfield)

5. Action Item: Tenure-Track Appointment Candidates – Henry Ishitani, Alexis Abboud and Ashton Macfarlane. Documents are on Canvas (Appointments Committee) Voting will be via Qualtrics and will be sent at the end of the meeting.

6. Action Item: Approve Associate Professor offer to Steinberg (P & T and Appointments Committees)

7. Information Item: Exams and word limits (Dean McAlister)

8. Information Item: Site visit update (Dean McAlister)

If you are unable to attend, please contact Jonathan Marshfield, who will discuss available options. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you.

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UF Levin College of Law
Faculty Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2026 - 12:00 noon

PRESENT: Derek Bambauer, Stacy Biggart, Annie Brett, Nicholas Christopolis, Judy Clausen, Julian Cook, Duane Daiker, Lisa De Sanctis, Donna Eng, Donna Erez-Navot, Alex Erwin, Cory Evans, Mark Fenster, Jonathan Green, William Hamilton, Christopher Hampson, Thomas Hawkins, Berta Hernandez-Truyol, Jiaying Jiang, Benjamin Johnson, Elizabeth Katz, Zachary Kaufman, Matthew Kim, Heather Kolinsky, Gary Lawson, Lyrissa Lidsky, Brian Lipshutz, Sabrina Lopez, Lynn LoPucki, Merritt McAlister, Silvia Menendez, Thinh Nguyen, Lars Noah, Jane O'Connell, Madeleine Sligh, Joan Stearns Johnsen, Amy Stein, John Stinneford, Derek Wheeler, Sarah Wolking, Danaya Wright, Andy Yuan, Wentong Zheng

PRESENT ON ZOOM: Rachel Arnow-Richman, Karen Burke, Kristen Hardy, David Hasen, Lea Johnston, Charlene Luke, Jonathan Marshfield, Grayson McCouch, Timothy McLendon

NOT PRESENT: Jane Bambauer, David Bowen, Yariv Brauner, Barbara Evans, Thomas Haley, Mindy Herzfeld, Tracey Maclin, Peter Molk, Robert Rhee, Stacey Steinberg, Lee-ford Tritt, Steven Willis, Michael Wolf

Meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m.

Dean McAlister mentioned the passing of Professor Ben Fernandez. Any details regarding a memorial will be shared when we receive them.

Dean McAlister mentioned the passing of a former student, Nicko Johns. Student support is being offered to those who need it. Sabrina Lopez asked if anyone notices anything going on with a student, please reach out to her and/or Ritzy.

1. Action Item: Approve faculty meeting minutes for August 25, 2026, attached (Dean McAlister)

   Dean McAlister presented the minutes for August 25, 2026.

   Outcome: Minutes approved

2. Action Item: AALS Representative selection (Dean McAlister)

   Dean McAlister presented the need for an AALS Representative.

   Outcome: Zach Kaufman volunteered to serve and was approved

3. Action Item: Tenure-Track Appointments Candidate(s) (Appointments Committee)

   Annie Brett, Chair – the Committee recommends the hiring of Stacey Steinberg for a tenure-track position.

   Outcome: Vote will take place via Qualtrics

4. Information Item: Use of AI in writing courses required for graduation, including Legal Drafting and the Advanced Writing Requirement (Curriculum Committee)

   Gary Lawson requested information and thoughts on the use of AI in Writing courses from the faculty. Please send them to members of the committee.

   Outcome: Information Item only

5. Information Item: New courses to be taught in Spring 2027 (Curriculum Committee)

   Donna Erez-Navot, Chair, presented the spring 2027 classes.

   Outcome: Information Item only

6. Information Item: Update on Simple Syllabus (Ruth McIlhenny)

   Ruth presented the newest update to Simple Syllabus.

   Outcome: Information Item only

7. Information Item: UF Campaign for Charities (Lindsay Hanson)

   Lindsay presented information on the current UF Campaign for Charities

   Outcome: Information Item only

8. Information Item: Site visit update (Dean McAlister)

   Dean McAlister presented information on the ABA site visit on April 5 and 6, 2027.

   Outcome: Information Item only

9. Information Item: IT Faculty Classroom Technology Survey (Jane O'Connell)

A survey will be sent out to all faculty to gauge technology in the classroom.

Outcome: Information Item only

Meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: The Faculty

FROM: Brian S. Mitchell, Esq. Brian S. Mitchell
Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs
Levin College of Law

DATE: October 15, 2026

RE: Fall 2026 Graduation

Listed below are the students who have applied for graduation for the Fall 2026 semester. We recommend the approval of the following candidates.

Juris Doctor
Richard A. Daugherty
Kateryna Faust
Seth Benjamin Garfield
Jiaqi Gu
Faith Helen Marcus
Alexander H. Nicholaou
Bijan S. Toulabi
Matthew Alexander Vaughn

Master of Laws in Taxation
Marina Antunes Gomm Santos
Hunter A. Brown
Emily J. Chase
Tiffany Lauren Crouch
Kateryna Faust
Maria F. Galante
Seth Benjamin Garfield
Ethan Mitchell Graves
Rafiga Gurbanzade*
Junde Liu
John A. Lomicky
Faith Helen Marcus
William Booker Moore
Joshua Morrow
Zachary Scott Myers
Jeffrey Paul Norris
Dalton Raider-James Robinson
Marylin Marie Shandor
Jennifer Jill St. George
Hollis Taylor Tate
Austin D. White
Runyuan Zhou

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Master of Laws in International Tax
Rodrigo Aguilar Blacud*
Yinan Zhu*

Master of Laws in U.S. Law
Nandini Kaushik

**These candidates will also earn the US Law Concentration.*

MEMORANDUM

To: Curriculum Committee

From: Sarah H. Wolking

Re: Approval of proposed revisions to the Externship and Semester in Practice policies

Date: September 27, 2026

I request the Curriculum Committee's approval of the proposed revisions to the Faculty Policy Manual's Externship and Semester in Practice (SIP) sections. These revisions establish a consistent academic component across all field placements, clarify participation and credit limits, and align the policy's definitions and educational requirements with ABA Standard 304.

The proposed changes are outlined below. The national comparisons are based on the 2025–26 CSALE Survey of Applied Legal Education.

1. Require Bridge to Practice for every Externship and SIP

Every student participating in an Externship or SIP would concurrently enroll in Bridge to Practice. This establishes a uniform academic component across both programs, including ongoing faculty-guided reflection, skills development, feedback, and evaluation consistent with ABA Standard 304(a).

Requiring a separately credited course reflects the growing trend of treating fieldwork and reflection as distinct, coordinated courses. According to the CSALE survey, 46% of law schools treat these components as two separate courses.

2. Reduce Bridge to Practice from two credits to one credit

Bridge to Practice would carry **one credit**, replacing the current two-credit Bridge to Practice course which accompanies a SIP. The one-credit course would accompany every Externship and SIP and meet all requirements of ABA Standard 304(a).

This credit allocation aligns with the practice of 47% of law schools, according to the CSALE survey. The Bridge credit would be in addition to field placement credits and would not count toward the field placement limits described below.

3. Limit students who do not participate in SIP to two Externships totaling no more than six credits

The combined cap for Externship and SIP fieldwork would remain 12 credits during law school. The revision would expressly limit students who participate only in Externships, without SIP, to

two Externships totaling no more than six field placement credits. Permissible combinations include four credits plus two credits or three credits plus three credits. Students could no longer complete three separate two-credit Externships.

Students could continue to complete two Externships and one SIP, provided the combined field placement credits do not exceed 12. For example, two two-credit Externships followed by an eight-credit SIP would satisfy the cap. A ten-credit SIP would leave room for only one two-credit Externship.

Related clarifications

The revised policy retains separate Externship and SIP sections while clarifying that "externship" and "field placement" are synonymous. UF Law's Externship enrollment category carries two to five field placement credits; SIP is an externship carrying six to ten field placement credits. Both require the additional one-credit Bridge to Practice course.

Requested action

I ask the Curriculum Committee to approve the revised Externship and Semester in Practice policy language, including the universal one-credit Bridge to Practice requirement and the two-Externship participation limit described above, for incorporation into the Faculty Policy Manual.

Externships and Clinics

Historical note: 4/5/2019, 3/21/2017, 2/21/2017, 1/18/2017 (replacing the 9/19/2012 policy in its entirety)

This section establishes the definitions, credit requirements, and academic and administrative requirements for UF Law externships, including Semester in Practice. The separate Semester in Practice section supplements these requirements. Clinic provisions apply only where expressly stated.

A. Purpose and definitions

Externships and clinics provide opportunities to apply legal doctrine, explore professional interests, develop practice skills, build professional networks, and strengthen professional identity. Qualifying credits count toward the experiential learning requirement under ABA Standard 303(a)(3).

Externship or field placement. These terms are synonymous. Consistent with ABA Standard 304(d), an externship provides substantial lawyering experience comparable to a lawyer's work advising or representing clients or performing other legal tasks outside a law clinic. Students work under faculty supervision and, at the placement, under a licensed attorney or another person qualified to supervise. Each externship integrates supervised fieldwork with the required Bridge to Practice course.

UF Law enrollment categories. UF Law uses "Externship" for a placement carrying 2 to 5 field placement credits and "Semester in Practice" (SIP) for a placement carrying 6 to 10 field placement credits. A SIP is an externship with a higher credit load. Unless a provision expressly refers to the 2- to 5-credit category, references to externships or field placements include SIP.

Bridge to Practice. The required 1-credit academic course taken concurrently with every externship, including every SIP. The course meets all requirements of ABA Standard 304(a), as described in subsection D below.

Law clinic. Consistent with ABA Standard 304(c), a law clinic provides substantial lawyering experience through work with actual clients or by serving as a neutral third party. A clinic is distinct from an externship or field placement.

B. Credit requirements and limits

The following limits apply to field placement credits only. The 1-credit Bridge to Practice course is additional and does not count toward these limits. Thus, an Externship carries 2 to 5 field placement credits plus 1 Bridge to Practice credit, and a SIP carries 6 to 10 field placement credits plus 1 Bridge to Practice credit.

Required hours. Each field placement credit requires at least 45 hours of fieldwork. An Externship therefore requires 90 to 225 hours, and a SIP requires 270 to 450 hours, depending on the approved credits. Work for Bridge to Practice is separate and may not be counted toward required fieldwork hours. Credit awards must reflect the required time and effort and the expected educational quality, consistent with ABA Standard 304(e).

Cumulative limits. A student who does not participate in SIP may earn no more than 6 field placement credits through no more than two Externships during law school. A student who participates in SIP may earn no more than 12 field placement credits through Externships and SIP combined during law school. For example, a 10-credit SIP leaves no more than 2 additional field placement credits available.

C. Approval and oversight of externships

Proposals and approval. Faculty, students, or prospective placement sites may submit proposals to the Director of Externships. Proposals must include the information needed to assess compliance with ABA Standard 304 and UF Law requirements. The Director will develop forms, approval criteria, and procedures; review and approve or deny proposals; and meet with or speak to prospective site supervisors to assess educational quality. The Curriculum Committee may establish policies governing this review and periodically assess their effectiveness.

Placement format. Externships primarily serve students' educational and professional development. Students ordinarily work at the placement site. The Director may approve remote or hybrid placements when supervision, opportunities for performance and feedback, and educational quality satisfy program objectives and ABA Standard 304.

Written agreement. The Law School shall maintain a written agreement among the student, the faculty supervisor, and a person in authority at the placement site. The agreement shall identify the anticipated substantial lawyering experience; opportunities for performance, feedback, and self-evaluation; the supervisory responsibilities of the faculty member and the site supervisor; and the method for evaluating academic performance.

Supervision and educational quality. The Director of Externships shall establish procedures for selecting, training, evaluating, and communicating with site supervisors. Faculty supervisors shall maintain regular contact with site supervisors, through visits or other appropriate communication, throughout each placement. Each student's educational achievement shall be evaluated by a faculty member. The College shall retain sufficient control over the experience and the records documenting compliance with ABA Standard 304, including the written agreement.

The Director shall ensure that each placement provides substantive lawyering work, including research and writing opportunities, and complies with ABA Standards 304(a) and (d). Students must have adequate prerequisites or receive concurrent training sufficient for the placement, consistent with Standard 304(f).

D. Required Bridge to Practice course

Every student enrolled in an externship, including SIP, must concurrently enroll in the 1-credit Bridge to Practice course. This requirement applies to each placement, including a subsequent externship. The course provides the academic component of the externship and meets all requirements of ABA Standard 304(a).

A faculty member shall teach the course that integrates doctrine, theory, skills, and legal ethics. Faculty supervisors and the Director shall develop instructional materials, assignments, and reflective exercises to maintain academic rigor. Faculty shall use journals, case rounds, meetings, readings, skills exercises, or other appropriate methods to guide reflection, provide feedback, and evaluate academic performance. The course may be delivered entirely or partially online, subject to applicable ABA and Law School requirements.

E. Student selection and participation

Personnel at an approved placement site may select students, with or without faculty assistance, subject to the Academic Monitoring and Exclusion program and to the following requirements:

- All required first-year courses must be successfully completed before participation.
- A student may not enroll over the site supervisor's express objection.
- A student may not participate in a clinic and an externship, including SIP, in the same semester.

Compensation. Except for the SIP exception in the Semester in Practice section, a student may not receive credit for a placement in which the student receives a salary or wage. A student may accept a site-funded stipend, scholarship, or grant of up to $1,000 per field placement credit, or a third-party stipend, scholarship, or grant in any amount. Bridge to Practice credits do not increase the site-funded limit.

F. Faculty participation

All law school faculty are eligible to supervise externships. The Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs shall assign faculty supervisors throughout the year. The Dean and the responsible Associate Dean shall develop policies governing compensation for externship supervision.

Semester in Practice

Historical note: 4/24/2020, 2/21/2017, 4/20/2016

Semester in Practice (SIP) is a semester-long externship that carries 6 to 10 field placement credits. It is a permanent component of UF Law's experiential curriculum, developed from the Semester Away pilot to expand experiential opportunities in legal markets outside Gainesville.

A. Application of the externship policy

SIP is governed by the definitions and all externship requirements in the Externships and Clinics section, including approval, supervision, eligibility, academic evaluation, required hours, and cumulative credit limits. The compensation provision below is the only SIP-specific exception to the general compensation rule.

B. Credits and Bridge to Practice

Students may earn 6 to 10 field placement credits in SIP and must concurrently enroll in the 1-credit Bridge to Practice course, for a total of 7 to 11 credits. Each field placement credit requires at least 45 hours of fieldwork; a 10-credit SIP therefore requires at least 450 fieldwork hours, in addition to Bridge to Practice coursework. The combined lifetime limit of 12 field placement credits for Externships and SIP applies as set forth in subsection B of the Externships and Clinics section. Bridge to Practice credits are excluded from that limit.

C. Compensation exception

A SIP student may receive a salary or wage and earn field placement credit only if all three conditions are met: the placement is in a corporation's Office of General Counsel; the student is supervised by in-house counsel; and the corporation requires payment to externs. This exception does not affect the stipend, scholarship, and grant rules in subsection E of the Externships and Clinics section, including how those rules apply to public interest placements.

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Education

- **Ph.D. in Accounting**, University of Technology Sydney (UTS), Sydney, Australia, 2014
- **M.Sc. in Computer Engineering**, Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy, 2009
- **B.Sc. in Computer Engineering**, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS), Porto Alegre, Brazil, 2007

Academic Appointments

- **Assistant Professor of Accounting**, University of Florida, 2020–Present
- **Research Affiliate**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), 2020–2024
- **Assistant Professor of Accounting**, Bocconi University, 2015–2019
- **Visiting Scholar**, London Business School (LBS), 2019
- **Visiting Scholar**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), 2019
- **Tutor and Research Assistant**, University of Technology Sydney (UTS), 2010–2013

Honors and Awards

- 2026, J. Michael Cook Excellence in Teaching Award, Fisher School of Accounting, Warrington College of Business, University of Florida
- 2025, Nominated for the UF Excellence Award for Assistant Professors, Warrington College nominee
- 2025, Nominated for the Warrington Research Excellence Award for Assistant Professors, Fisher School of Accounting

Grants and Fellowships

- 2026, UF Research Opportunity Seed Fund (ROSF), Warrington College Nominee and Highest-Rated Submission
- 2016, Young Researcher Grant, Bocconi University
- 2010, School of Accounting Doctoral Scholarship, University of Technology Sydney
- 2007, ICE-Unioncamere Merit Scholarship, Politecnico di Milano

Publications & Accepted Papers

*Full copies of all published and working papers are available **here**.*[1]

- "Regulating Financial Advice: Evidence from the Municipal Bond Market," with Jacquelyn Gillette and Ari Yezegel. *Forthcoming at The Accounting Review (January 2027).*

[1] You can also access the papers via https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/r7d2tot37foogslgm1xom/published_and_unpublished_papers.zip?rlkey=zw0gv1a7jvq0j7yi4vkan7fz5&st=iz4rpros&dl=0

- "Grammatical Errors, Financial Reporting Quality, and Audit Engagement Risk," with Blake Canziani (PhD student) and Jacquelyn Gillette. *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, Forthcoming.
- "The Relation Between Conditional Conservatism and Managerial Herding: Evidence from M&A Waves," with Claudia Imperatore. *Accounting and Business Research*, 2026.
- "Audit Quality and the Market Value of Cash: The Role Played by the Big 4 Auditor in Latin America," with Aviner Augusto Silva Manoel (PhD student), Marcelo Botelho da Costa Moraes, and Eloisa Perez-de Toledo. *Review of Quantitative Finance and Accounting*, 2025.
- "Litigation Risk and Strategic M&A Valuations," with Claudia Imperatore, Rodrigo Verdi, and Ben Yost. *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 2024.
- "The Decision-Usefulness of ASC 606 Revenue Disaggregation," with Lisa Hinson and Mark Zakota (PhD student). *The Accounting Review*, 2024.
- "Conflicts of Interest in Subscriber-Paid Credit Ratings," with Sam Bonsall, Jacquelyn Gillette, and Eric So. *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 2024.
- "Managing Expectations through Budgetary Slack," with Zahn Bozanic and Andrew Ferguson. *European Accounting Review*, 2024.
- "The Market Value of Cash and the Creation of High-Governance Listings of Voluntary Adoption," with Aviner Augusto Silva Manoel (PhD student) and Marcelo Botelho da Costa Moraes. *Corporate Governance: An International Review*, 2023.
- "Audit Quality and the Cost of Debt in Private Firms: Evidence from the Brazilian Sugarcane Industry," with Aviner Augusto Silva Manoel (PhD student), Marcelo Botelho da Costa Moraes, and David Ferreira Lopes Santos. *International Food and Agribusiness Management Review*, 2022.
- "Corporate Bankruptcy and Directors' Reputation: An Empirical Analysis of the Effects on Public Debt Contracts," with Stefano Gatti and Mariya Ivanova (PhD student). *Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance*, 2021.
- "Factors Affecting the Value-Relevance of Capitalized Exploration and Evaluation Expenditure Under IFRS 6," with Andrew Ferguson and Stephen Kean. *Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance*, 2021.
- "Does Industry Specialist Assurance of Non-Financial Information Matter to Investors?," with Andrew Ferguson. *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, 2015.
- "Auditor Industry Specialization, Service Bundling, and Partner Effects in a Mining-Dominated City," with Andrew Ferguson and Adrian Raftery. *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, 2014.

Book Chapters

- "Advances in Audit Technology," with Ivy Munoko. Invited chapter in *Routledge Handbook of Auditing* (2nd edition), edited by David C. Hay, W. Robert Knechel, and Marleen Willekens. Routledge, 2026.

Working Papers

- "Constituent Interests in SEC Rules: Evidence from Voluntary Comment Letters," with Chuck Downing and Gabriel Voelcker.
- "Divergent Disclosures: Disclosure Discrepancies and Investor Adviser Misconduct," with Kyoungwon (Ky) Kim and Brian Miller.

- "Do Accounting Classifications Condition Interest Rate Forecasts? Evidence from Sovereign Debt," with Francesco Grazioli.
- "Corporate Cash Holdings Location and Payout Policy: Evidence from Mandatory Dividend Rules," with Aviner Augusto Silva Manoel (PhD student).
- "The Spillover Effect of Shareholder Activism on Target Sought Fairness Opinions," with Wagner M. Lamounier and Paulo Victor G. Novaes.
- "Data Centers and Municipal Bond Yields," with Kyoungwon (Ky) Kim and Eashwar Nagaraj.
- "Do Firms Persist Together?," with Zahn Bozanic and Paul Fischer.

Presentations and Conference Participation

*Legend: * Presented, # Discussed, ˆ Panelist, + Keynote, [No label] Attended*

- **2026 (Forthcoming and Recent)**, Brazilian Accounting Research (BAR) conference, Bala Balachandran Accounting Conference at Kellogg, Bolzano - Padova Accounting Conference, Accounting Horizons – Conversations about the use of AI in academic researchˆ, Utah Winter Accounting Conference#, ASU Cactus Conference, Dartmouth Accounting Conference.
- **2025**, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (HARC)*, University of Notre Dame*, Brazilian Research Workshop*, Data and AI Symposium (DAISY)ˆ, VI Jornadas Internacionais de Investigação em Relatoˆ, Yale Municipal Markets Conference, Texas A&M Accounting Research Conference, RAST Conference.
- **2024**, Dartmouth College*, Cagliari University*, UFPB*, FEA-USP*, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley*, Brazil National Accounting Council (CFC)ˆ.
- **2023**, European Accounting Review Conference*, Deakin University*, EM Strasbourg*, Elsevier Finance Conference*, University of Florida*, University of Alabama*.
- **2022**, FARS Midyear Meeting*, Florida Accounting Symposium*, Southern Finance Association*, Brazilian Accounting Research (BAR) Conference*, Federal University of Santa Catarina (UFSC)+.
- **2021**, ESADE and Pompeu Fabra University*, Universidade de São Paulo*, Unisinos University*, Florida Accounting Symposium*.
- **2020**, Florida State University*, FARS Midyear Meeting*, Deakin University*, Queensland University of Technology*, Northeastern University*, ANPCONT+, AFAANZ+.
- **2019**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)*, Boston College*, HEC Lausanne*, University of Iowa*, AAA Annual Meeting*, International Accounting Section (IAS) Conferenceˆ, USP International Accountancy Conference+.
- **2018**, Queensland University of Technology*, JAAF Conference*, UTS Australian Summer Accounting Conference*.
- **2017**, Bolzano Accounting Summer Camp*, ANPCONT+.
- **2016**, AAA Annual Meeting*, European Accounting Association (EAA)*, FARS Midyear Meeting*.

Teaching Experience

- **University of Florida**, Gainesville, FL, 2020–Present
  - *Graduate:* ACG6841 Data Analytics for Accounting.
  - *Undergraduate:* ACG3401 Business Process and Accounting Information Systems.
  - *Doctoral:* AI for Accounting Research, and Natural Language Processing Applied to Accounting Research.
  - *Upcoming (2026–2027):*
    - *Graduate (Gainesville):* Artificial Intelligence and Accounting I (Spring 2027) and Artificial Intelligence and Accounting II (Spring 2027)—a new two-course sequence on AI and LLM applications in accounting.
    - *Graduate (Jacksonville Campus):* Financial Accounting (Fall 2026) and AI Applications in Finance and Accounting (Fall 2027).
- **Harvard Business School**, Boston, MA, 2019
  - *Doctoral*: Data Analytics for Accounting Research.
- **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)**, Cambridge, MA, 2019
  - *Doctoral*: Data Analytics for Accounting Research.
- **Bocconi University**, Milan, Italy, 2015–2019
  - *Undergraduate and Graduate*: Big Data for Business Decisions, Accounting and Financial Statement Analysis, and Auditing.
- **University of Technology Sydney (UTS)**, Sydney, Australia, 2010–2013
  - *Undergraduate*: Accounting for Business Decisions A and B.

Student Advising

- **Ph.D. Thesis Committees**
  - Blake Canziani, University of Florida (USA), 2024–2026.
  - Topcue Lee, University of Florida (USA), 2023–2025.
  - Aviner Augusto Silva Manoel, Universidade de São Paulo (USP, Brazil), 2016–2020.
  - Paulo Victor G. Novaes, University of Technology Sydney (UTS, Australia), 2024–Present.
  - Charlie Gianfriddo, University of Technology Sydney (UTS, Australia), 2025–Present.
  - Davgadorj Puntsag, University of Technology Sydney (UTS, Australia), 2024–Present.
  - Márcio Rodrigues dos Santos, FUCAPE Business School (Brazil), 2025–Present.
- **DBA Thesis Committee**
  - David Gilbertson, University of Florida (USA), 2023.
- **Honors Thesis Supervision**
  - Soomin Kim, University of Florida (USA), 2026.
  - Yang Zhao, University of Florida (USA), 2024.

Service

- **Editorial Roles**
  - **Guest Editor - Special Issue**, *Research in International Business and Finance* (RIBAF) 2023.
  - **Associate Editor**, *ASAA – Advances in Scientific and Applied Accounting* (ANPCONT journal, Brazil), 2022 – Present.
- **Ad hoc Reviewer for Journals**
  - *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, *Journal of Accounting Research*, *The Accounting Review*, *Management Science*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *European Accounting Review*, *Journal of Business Finance & Accounting*, *Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance*, *Journal of Accounting and Public Policy*, *Journal of Management and Governance*, *Applied Economics*, *Journal of Contemporary Accounting and Economics*, and *Brazilian Review of Finance*.
- **Conferences**
  - **Track Chair**, *Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (HARC).*
  - **Ad hoc Reviewer**, FARS Midyear Meeting, International Accounting Section Midyear Meeting, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (HARC), MIT Asia Conference in Accounting, and the European Accounting Association Scientific Committee.
- **University and Professional Service**
  - **AI College Connections Meeting**, Warrington College of Business Representative at the University discussion on AI strategic adoption.
  - **AI Curriculum Task Force**, Warrington College of Business Jacksonville Campus (MBA and MS in Management programs).
  - **Chair**, Big Data Symposium at European Accounting Association (EAA), 2018.
  - **Secretary of Board**, Accounting Department, Bocconi University, 2015 – 2016.
  - **Mentor**, UF Innovate — Accelerate Elite Mentor Program.

Professional Memberships

- American Accounting Association (AAA).
- European Accounting Association (EAA).

Professional Experience

- **Consultant**, Reply, Milan, Italy, 2007 – 2008
  - Developed solutions using Business Intelligence, Business Rule Engines, and Service-Oriented Protocol.
- **R&D Engineer**, Innalogics, Brazil, 2007
  - Managed the embedded systems team in the development of the first agricultural GPS system designed in Latin America.
- **R&D Engineer**, Perto S.A., Brazil, 2006
  - Developed Fintech solutions for the banking industry and contributed to the development of the first Point of Sale system in Latin America.

- **R&D Engineer**, UFRGS (Motorola and Telefonica Consortium), Brazil, 2004 – 2006
  - Acted as the interface between hardware and software teams, responsible for embedded Linux (uClinux) porting to Coldfire processors and initial hardware design.
- **R&D Engineer**, PUCRS (Telefonica di Espana and Parks S/A Consortium), Brazil, January 2002 – 2004
  - Worked with Network Management Systems (NMS), developed advanced web technology solutions, and conducted research on Video over IP.

Skills

- **Software**
  - Python, C/C++, Stata, LaTeX, and SQL for data analysis and academic writing.
  - High-performance computing (HPC) and distributed computing architectures (Slurm and Bash).
- **Methods**
  - Generative AI and Large Language Models (OpenAI API, Anthropic Claude, Google Gemini) applied to accounting research and audit analytics.
  - Artificial Intelligence and Natural Language Processing (NLP) for large-scale textual analysis of regulatory filings, disclosures, and unstructured accounting data.
  - Machine Learning, pattern recognition, and large-scale data engineering.
  - Business Intelligence and Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA).
- **Languages**
  - **Fluent:** English, Portuguese, and Italian.

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Statement of Interest in Affiliation

University of Florida Levin College of Law

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My research examines how legal institutions and securities regulation shape corporate transactions, financial reporting, and capital markets. This sustained engagement with questions in corporate and securities law motivates my interest in affiliation with the University of Florida Levin College of Law. As an Assistant Professor in the Fisher School of Accounting, I seek to develop this research agenda through closer intellectual exchange with legal scholars and to contribute to scholarly collaboration between the Levin College of Law and the Warrington College of Business.

My coauthored article, "Litigation Risk and Strategic M&A Valuations," published in the Journal of Accounting and Economics, studies how litigation risk affects the valuations presented in merger fairness opinions, with implications for appraisal litigation and shareholder protection. My ongoing work extends this inquiry into securities regulation by examining how constituent interests expressed in voluntary comment letters relate to SEC rulemaking outcomes. Together, these projects investigate the interaction between legal frameworks, economic incentives, and the information used in corporate and regulatory decision-making.

Affiliation with the Levin College of Law would provide an institutional basis for sustained collaboration on these questions. I am particularly interested in exchanging ideas with faculty and students through research seminars and joint projects, and in contributing my experience with empirical methods, natural language processing, and large language models to the study of legal and regulatory texts. Access to legal research resources would further support this continuing agenda. Through these activities, I hope to strengthen the intellectual connections between our schools and contribute to the law school's research community.

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