# **Brandon Ater**

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#### **EDUCATION**

PhD, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, 2015

Major: Business

Dissertation Title: Does Country-Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts?

Other, Master of Accounting and Information Systems, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, 2014

Major: Accounting and Information Systems

BS, Kansas State University, 2005 Major: Accounting

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Assistant Professor, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (September 2015)

Instructor, Virginia Tech (August 2011 - May 2015)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Journal Articles**

Brandon Ater and Bowe Hansen. Earnings Management Prior to Private Debt Issuance. Ellie Chapple & Reza Monem (Ed.) No. *Accounting Research Journal*. Forthcoming, <a href="https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/1030-9616">www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/1030-9616</a>

Brandon Ater, Christine Gimbar, J. Gregory Jenkins, Gabriel Saucedo, and Nicole Wright. Audit Roles and the Review Process: Workpaper Preparers' and Reviewers' Differing Perspectives. Efrim Boritz (Ed.) No. *Managerial Auditing Journal*. 34, no. 4:438 - 461. www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/0268-6902

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Best Accounting Professor at UTRGV, IMA Edinburg (May 2019)

Best Accounting Professor, IMA at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (May 2016)

Accounting and Information Systems Alumni Scholarship, Virginia Tech (August 2014)

AICPA Minority Doctoral Fellow, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (August 2014)

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KPMG Minority Doctoral Scholar, KPMG Foundation (August 2014)

Pauline L. Corn Scholarship, Virginia Tech (August 2014)

AICPA Minority Doctoral Fellow, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (August 2013)

Floyd A. Beams Scholarship, Virginia Tech (August 2013)

KPMG Minority Doctoral Scholar, KPMG Foundation (August 2013)

Floyd A. Beams Scholarship, Virginia Tech (August 2012)

KPMG Minority Doctoral Scholar, KPMG Foundation (August 2012)

KPMG Minority Doctoral Scholar, KPMG Foundation (August 2011)

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Andrew Anabila, Brandon Ater, and Christian Kuiate Sobngwi. "The Role of Shared Auditors in Private Debt Contracts." American Accounting Association SW Region, San Antonio. (March 12, 2020)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts?," AAA Annual Meeting 2016, American Accounting Association, New York, NY. (August 2016)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Edinburg, TX. (February 2015)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," University of Michigan - Flint, Flint, MI. (February 2015)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI. (February 2015)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," International Accounting Section Midyear Meeting, American Accounting Association, Palm Spring, CA. (January 2015)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," Miami Rookie Camp, American Accounting Association, Miami, FL. (December 2014)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS. (November 2014)

Brandon Ater and Bowe Hansen. "Does Prior Earnings Management Impact Debt Covenant Slack in New Loan Contracts," AAA Annual Meeting 2014, American Accounting Association, Atlanta, GA. (August 2014)

Brandon Ater. "Does Country Specific Globalization Impact Private Loan Contracts," Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA. (June 2014)

Brandon Ater and Bowe Hansen. "Does Prior Earnings Management Impact Debt Covenant Slack in New Loan Contracts," Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA. (October 2013)

## **TEACHING**

## **Courses Taught**

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Intermediate Accounting I
Intermediate Accounting II
Intro to Financial Acc

# **SERVICE**

#### **Department Service**

Committee Member, School of Accountancy Strategic Planning and Initiatives Committee. (January 2018)

Committee Member, Department Research Committee. (January 2016)

Committee Member, Student Learning Outcomes. (September 2015)

Committee Member, Faculty Recruitment Director of School. (March 1, 2017 - June 1, 2018)

Committee Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee. (June 2016 - June 2018)

Committee Member, Faculty Recruitment Assistant Professor. (September 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016)

# **College Service**

Committee Member, College Bylaw Committee. (August 2019)

Faculty Advisor, Association of Latino Professionals for America. (December 2018)

# **University Service**

Committee Member, Library Committee. (October 2015)

Other, Vaquero Round-Up. (2019 - 2019)

Other, University Move in Day. (2015 - 2015)

Other, Vaquero Round-Up. (2015 - 2015)

## **Development Activities Attended**

Seminar, "Dynamic Lecturing," UTRGV. (February 28, 2019)

Seminar, "Scholarship of Teaching," UTRGV. (February 28, 2019)

Seminar, "Using Active Learning in Large Lecture Classes," UTRGV. (February 26, 2019)

Seminar, "Using the Jigsaw Method in Higher Education," UTRGV. (February 19, 2019)

Seminar, "Team Based Learning," UTRGV. (February 12, 2019)

Self-Study Program, "Quality Matters," UTRGV. (September 6, 2017 - September 20, 2017)

Conference Attendance, "AAA Annual Meeting 2016," American Accounting Association. (August 2016 - August 2016)

Conference Attendance, "AAA New Faculty Consortium 2016," American Accounting Association . (January 2016)

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Conference Attendance, "AAA International Accounting Section Doctoral Consortium," American Accounting Association . (January 2015)

Conference Attendance, "AAA International Accounting Section Midyear Meeting," American Accounting Association . (January 2015)

Conference Attendance, "Miami Rookie Camp," American Accounting Association . (December 2014)

Conference Attendance, "AAA Annual Meeting," American Accounting Association . (August 2014)

Conference Attendance, "PhD Project Accounting Doctoral Students Association Conference," KPMG Foundation. (August 2014)

Conference Attendance, "Virginia Accounting Research Conference," The University of Virginia. (May 2014)

Conference Attendance, "AAA Financial Accounting and Reporting Section Doctoral Consortium," American Accounting Association . (January 2014)

Conference Attendance, "AAA Financial Accounting and Reporting Section Midyear Meeting," American Accounting Association . (January 2014)

Conference Attendance, "Virginia Accounting Research Conference," The University of Virginia. (May 2013)

Conference Attendance, "PhD Project Accounting Doctoral Students Association Conference," KPMG Foundation. (August 2012)

Conference Attendance, "Virginia Accounting Research Conference," The University of Virginia. (May 2012)

#### **Professional Service**

Reviewer, Conference Paper, American Accounting Association, New York, (2016 - 2016)

# **Professional Memberships**

American Accounting Association (AAA) (2015)

Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants (TSCPA) (2015)

## **Public Service**

- Other, Boys & Girls Club McAllen, McAllen, (September 2015)
- Other, Boys & Girls Club McAllen. (March 1, 2017 June 1, 2017)

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