



# FOOTNOTES

## DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING

### *in loving memory...*

Dear Alumni and Friends of the Department,

The Accounting Department suffered a great loss when Dr. Dan Dhaliwal passed away last summer.

Dan came to the UA from California State University to complete his master and doctoral degrees in accounting. Following his graduation in 1977, he served as an assistant professor of accounting at the University of Iowa and in 1979 he joined the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as a visiting research fellow. He returned to the UA in 1980 as an Associate Professor of Accounting. He was promoted to Professor in 1986 and then appointed Department Head in 1994. "Dan was a principled leader and an influential researcher," said Paulo

Goes, dean of the Eller College. "But the strength of the accounting department at the UA and the impact his research has had on policy are just part of his legacy. The other part is intangible—the many people he mentored, all of whom benefited from the personal responsibility he felt for their success."

"We will all miss his presence and impact so much, and we will miss our friend and colleague," Jeff Schatzberg, incoming department head, said. "I know I will be forever indebted to Dan for his mentoring and caring, and for essentially being my big brother."

The Accounting Department and



the Eller College hosted a Celebration of Life Event for Dan on September 30th, 2016. The event was attended by former students and faculty from all over the world.

The Eller College and the Department of Accounting are currently developing a philanthropic campaign that will provide a tangible naming opportunity for Dan regarding an academic initiative for which he had great passion. We are very excited about this opportunity to honor Dan. It will be very fitting to have a lasting memory and legacy for Dan within the College. **Donations to the Dan Dhaliwal Memorial Fund can be made through the department website.**



### Did You Know?

U.S. News and World reported the Eller College as #19 overall and #9 among public business programs. This is our first top 10 ranking since 2007. The Department of Accounting was ranked at #34 overall and #16 for public institutions.

### Dates To Remember

#### SPRING 2017

- Jan 27: Accounting Career Panel
- Feb 9: Meet the Firms
- Apr 28: CPE: Professional Ethics for Arizona CPA
- May 12: Graduation Brunch/Lunch

#### FALL 2017 (tentative)

- Sept 8: Accounting Career Panel
- Sept 21: Meet the Firms
- Dec 15: Graduation Brunch

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# FACULTY & STAFF NEWS



**Heather Altman** received the Eller College Undergraduate Course Improvement Grant for 2016. She received funding to incorporate the flipped classroom experience into more of her class sessions, improve teaching assistant effectiveness, expand clicker use, and develop course materials and practice problems to reinforce student engagement in the Intro to Managerial Accounting class.



**Lisa Bacon** Department of Accounting Business Manager, was awarded the Eller College Staff Excellence award along with the Marion Levy Service Award for demonstrating dedication, willingness to selflessly help others, and commitment to serving students and their needs on a daily basis. We value the devotion that Lisa brings to the Accounting Department.



**Christine Borowec** was awarded the Judi Prize Award from the Department of Accounting for her achievement in teaching excellence. We appreciate the extensive contributions and devotion to students that Christine brings to the Accounting Department.



The Department will be welcoming new faculty member **Preeti Choudhary** as an Associate Professor of Accounting starting Spring 2017. She will be teaching Accounting 400B, Intermediate Accounting II, and Accounting 501, Advanced Financial Accounting. Preeti joins the Department from the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, where she has served as a senior research fellow for the past year. Prior to that, Preeti was a Professor at Georgetown University. She is an expert in topics about recognition versus disclosure and financial reporting for leases, employee stock options, and taxes.



**Katherine Drake** was awarded the Journal of the American Taxation Outstanding Paper Award for 2015 for the research paper, "The Benefits of a Relational Approach to Corporate Political Activity: Evidence from Political Contributions to Tax Policymakers" by Jennifer

Brown (Arizona State University), Katharine Drake (University of Arizona), and Laura Wellman (University of Utah). Katharine also received funding for a research project through the Small Research Grants Competition.



The Department would like to acknowledge **Max Hewitt** for his selection by the Eller College Student Council as the Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year (Small Class). Max joined the Department last year and in Spring 2016 taught Accounting 310, Cost and Managerial Accounting.



**Janee Johnson** has stepped into a new role as the Director of Masters Programs and Outreach. She will teach Accounting 522, Advanced Federal Taxation, Accounting 647A, Corporate Taxation, and Accounting 562ABC, Excel, Quickbooks, and IFRS in the MAcc and MSA Programs.



The Department welcomed new staff member **Alex Miller** as the Masters Program Coordinator. Alex is a proud alumnus of the University of Arizona and is excited about the opportunity to work with our students.



The Department is pleased to announce that **Jeff Schatzberg** has been appointed as Department Head. Jeff joined the University of Arizona in 1987, served as Eller's Vice Dean since 2012, and served as the Dean of the Eller College in 2015 while the College searched for a permanent Dean. Jeff also earned the Outstanding Faculty award for the Executive MBA program in 2016. We are grateful for Jeff's ongoing dedication to our department.



**Shyam Sunder** received an Outstanding Faculty award in recognition of his contributions to the Full-Time MBA Program. Shyam teaches Accounting 540, Financial Accounting for MBAs, and Accounting 682, Advanced Financial Accounting Theory.

## FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

This year our faculty members have published in the following journals:

- *The Accounting Review*
- *China Journal of Accounting Research*
- *Contemporary Accounting Research*
- *Current Issues in Auditing*
- *Journal of Accounting and Economics*
- *Journal of the American Taxation Association*
- *Management Science*
- *Review of Accounting Studies*
- *Strategic Management Journal*

# PROGRAM UPDATE

The tables below provide a summary of the enrollment and graduation trends for the last few years. Undergraduate accounting major enrollment has declined slightly while we have been able to maintain our masters program enrollment around 100 students for the last few years.

Enrollment Trends	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016
<b>Undergraduate</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>286</b>
Audit track	57	65	47	32	41
Tax track	21	23	17	22	18
Macc	78	88	64	54	59
MSA	17	38	45	46	47
<b>Total Masters</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>106</b>

Graduation Trends	Fall 13/ Spring 14	Fall 14/ Spring 15	Fall 15/ Spring 16	Expected Fall 16/ Spring 17
<b>Undergraduate</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>140</b>
Macc	77	56	47	58
MSA	12	26	23	26
<b>Total Masters</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>84</b>

## Ph.D. Program

The department is proud to recognize Nathan Goldman, Mindy Kim, and Pablo Machado for successfully completing the Ph.D. program in 2016. Placement information for the new Assistant Professors can be seen in the following table.

Name	Placement
Nathan Goldman	The University of Texas at Dallas
Mindy Kim	George Mason University
Pablo Machado	San Diego State University

## 2015-2016 HUMBERTO LOPEZ DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

We were fortunate to have the following outstanding professors and researchers present papers during the Humberto Lopez Distinguished Speaker Series this past year:

<b>Daniel Aobdia</b> Northwestern University	<b>William Floyd</b> Stanford
<b>Preeti Choudhary</b> Georgetown University	<b>Jeff Hales</b> Georgia Tech
<b>John Donovan</b> Washington University in St. Louis	<b>Allison Nicoletti</b> Ohio State University
<b>Alex Edwards</b> University of Toronto	<b>Vivek Raval</b> University of North Carolina



## PwC INQUIRES GRANT AWARD



Congratulations to **Katie Maxwell** (Senior Lecturer & Director of UG Programs for Accounting) and **Dr. Mark Patton** (Lecturer in MIS) for receiving a \$10,000 PwC INQUIRES grant. Funds from the grant will be

used to update classroom technology and provide a collaborative learning environment that will enable students to engage in more hands-on analytics in the classroom. Currently, students in the MIS 514 Information Technology Audit class participate in multiple class group activities and have the need to present group projects. However, they have difficulty presenting group projects because they cannot sit in groups facing each other and see the class screen at the same time. A special thank you to PwC for this generous grant. The PwC INQUIRES program, started in the spring of 2007, assists faculty seeking to increase the knowledge base that contributes to the practice of auditing and tax. Since its inception, PwC has awarded over \$3 million through the PwC INQUIRES program.

## ELLER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING PROGRAM



The Eller Economic Development (EED) Consulting Program provides pro bono assistance to companies in under-served areas of Southern Arizona and is funded through grants. **Leslie Eldenburg** is the faculty coordinator

and **Poncho Chavez** is the Program Manager. EED creates a vehicle for local CPAs to assist in growing promising companies and provides accounting students with real-world experience as well as the opportunity to learn best practices in the accounting industry.

The program is in its fifth year this fall. Basic business classes for small business owners are underway for 100+ participants. These classes are given in Spanish during the Spring. In addition, eight small businesses will receive consulting services in both fall and spring semesters. The fall consulting projects include 16 accounting students teamed with eight local CPAs to help the owners improve their record keeping systems and understanding of financial information. In the spring semester, an Eller small business consulting class provides consulting services aimed at improving the bottom line. Surveys of past consulting clients suggest that their sales and number of employees have grown over time as a result of this program.

# ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT UPDATES

## Professional Development Programming



Meet the Firms



Protiviti



PwC



Meet the Firms

### Masters of Science in Accounting (MSA)

The Accounting Department is continuing to grow the Master of Science in Accounting program. The program is geared towards students with flexible needs, students without an undergraduate degree in accounting, or those with a desire to take electives outside of accounting courses. It is also intended to help students obtain their CPA license. The program started with 17 students in 2012 and currently has 47 students enrolled. We continue to receive many outstanding applicants.

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### Master of Accounting (MAcc)

Our Master of Accounting program offers students an option between two different tracks of study: Audit or Tax. These tracks provide our students with a curriculum specifically aimed to support their post-graduate career goals. In our efforts to continue to improve the curriculum, in Spring 2016 we began offering a new course covering Accounting Ethics to help students who are trying to obtain a CPA license in a state that requires an accounting specific ethics class for certification. More information regarding the courses within each track of study can be found on our website. We continue to have outstanding placement statistics and strong student success in their post-graduate careers. (see graphs on back cover).



### Spring 2016 MAcc and MSA Graduates

The MAcc and MSA programs offer numerous Teaching Assistant (TA) positions to participants in the programs; we currently have 32 students serving as TAs. Donations made to the Department help to fund TA positions, making the MAcc and MSA programs more affordable for those students. Serving as a TA is also a very enriching experience that allows students to gain a deeper understanding of the course material.

# Business Careers Awareness Program



2016 represented the 12th anniversary of the Business Careers Awareness Program (BCAP). This program is a joint partnership between EY and the Department. Since inception, nearly 400 high school students have participated in BCAP.

Students are exposed to business concepts and the accounting profession through course work, case competitions, and field trips. This year the program awarded the first annual **Leslie Eldenburg Scholarship** to a BCAP participant who demonstrated the values of inclusiveness that Leslie worked so hard to manifest during her time at the university.

The scholarship, funded by **Ron and Catherine Butler**, will be an annual award of \$500 which the student will receive if they choose to attend the University of Arizona.

The 2016 summer programs were facilitated by Katie Maxwell, Nancy Rochman, Zayra Badachi, Alex Cerpa, Alvaro de la Mora, Lyvier Elizalde, Gabe Encinas, and Gloria Ornelas.

**Interested high school students can find more information and the application at: [accounting.eller.arizona.edu/bcap](http://accounting.eller.arizona.edu/bcap)**



*BCAP Alum with Ron Butler during EY National Speaker Event*

## ▶ Research News

The Research and Doctoral Studies Committee and the Dean's office provide funding for research proposals through the Small Research Grants Competition. In the Fall 2015 semester, **Katharine Drake** (faculty) and **Matthew Erickson** (Ph.D. student) were provided with funding for their project that examines the relation between a country's tax code and firms' capital structure. In the Spring 2016 semester, **Jeremy Douthit** (faculty) and **Mitchell Towner**, Assistant Professor of Finance, received funding for their project which uses an experimental design to examine the effects of financial education and paternalistic 'nudges' on individuals' portfolio decision-making.

The Accounting faculty and Ph.D. students from our department initiated an annual joint research conference with the ASU Accounting department in 2015. These conferences facilitate collaboration between the two schools and provide new faculty and Ph.D. students an opportunity to present their research. Faculty **Jeremy Douthit** and **Dan Russomanno** and Ph.D. students **Ashley Sauciuc** and **Russ Hamilton** presented at the conference. We are excited about the possibility to increase research success through this partnership.

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## Retirement

**Leslie Eldenberg** retired in Spring 2016. She served as a Professor in the Accounting Department as well as the Vice Dean and Interim Dean of Eller College during her tenure. She has been instrumental in initiating many programs for underserved students as well as the development of the Eller Economic Development program which serves small businesses in Tucson. Eighty people gathered to honor Leslie's career.



**Nancy Rochman** also retired in Spring 2016. She has served in many roles during her tenure at Eller College. Initially she was a faculty member focused on our introductory financial accounting classes, then an Academic Advisor for Accounting, and for the last two years as the Accounting Career Coach. Many accounting students have been touched in some way by Nancy's kindness, wisdom, and insight.

# STUDENT NEWS

## ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD

**Marlano Batson** was selected as the Accounting Department Outstanding Senior for Fall 2015. Marlano double majored in Accounting and MIS. He worked extensively throughout his undergraduate studies to support himself and also found time to serve as the Accounting Student Association Treasurer and volunteer at Naylor Middle School as a Leadership Academy mentor. Marlano interned with PwC in Phoenix, AZ in the Risk Assurance practice and joined the practice full time in December 2015. **Elyse Flores** was selected as the Accounting

Department Outstanding Senior for Spring 2016. Elyse was also selected as the Outstanding Senior for the Eller College. The Department is proud to have this high achievement awarded to an accounting student. Elyse double majored in Accounting and Foreign Affairs and minored in Latin. She served as the Vice President of Alumni Relations for the Student Alumni Ambassadors club and studied abroad for one summer in Norway. Elyse interned with Goldman Sachs' Investment Management Division in Dallas, TX and started full time as a Financial Analyst in Miami, FL.

## OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

All award winners earned a 4.0 GPA throughout their undergraduate studies.

**Brendon Rex** joined CliftonLarsonAllen as an Audit Associate in Tucson, AZ. Allie McKinney started with Protiviti as a consultant in their Phoenix office. **Jasper Puracan** is planning to attend medical school. **Amanda Robinson** will join the tax practice of EY in Phoenix, AZ, upon completion of the Master of Accounting program in the tax track.

**Samantha Gallegos** received the Accounting Service and Achievement Award in Spring 2016. This award recognizes a student who has made significant service contributions to the

Department and College while performing at a high level academically. Samantha will be joining EY's audit team in Phoenix upon completion of the Master of Accounting program.

**Frank Murphy** (current Ph.D. student) was awarded the Deloitte Foundation Scholarship.

**Erin Cadenhead, Charles Hanessian, and Savannah Shope** received scholarships from the Arizona Society of CPA's to help defray the costs of the Master of Accounting program.

**Elizabeth Helley** was this year's recipient of the Tracy Villarreal Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship

was established by Ron Butler, EY's Arizona Managing Partner, in memory of Tracy's appreciation for new opportunities, passion for life, dedication to school, and kindness towards others. Elizabeth was a participant of Business Careers Awareness Program 2013 and is now a junior accounting major.

The Accounting Department continues to attract the best and brightest within Eller College into its undergraduate program. **Ian Barton, Natalie Scibilia, and Hayley Topp** received the \$10,000 McCord scholarship in Spring 2016. Ian, Natalie and Hayley were first exposed to the Department of Accounting and Eller College as participants in the Business Careers Awareness Program.

**Joshua DeYoung** was awarded the FEI Academic Excellence Award in Spring 2016 in the amount of \$1,500.

**Kelli VanDenburgh** was awarded a scholarship in Spring 2016 from the Association of Government Accountants.

The Department of Accounting would like to congratulate **Gabe Encinas** for being chosen for the EY Scholars Program. The EY Scholars Program is a program sponsored by EY's Assurance and Tax practices. This program provides a select group of academically talented, underrepresented minorities the opportunity to gain a Masters of Accounting from a leading university. EY is paying for 100% of Gabe's tuition and fees.

**Christian Gray** was selected by EY for their Global Student Experience Program in Sydney, Australia. With international assignments in major cities across the globe, the Global Student Experience Program allows select interns to collaborate and build relationships with people of diverse backgrounds.

**Sydelle Harrison and Ryan Ortega** were chosen for the KPMG Master of Accounting with Data and Analytics Program. Only 50 students were chosen nationwide and our department was one of two schools to have two students selected. As part of the program, Sydelle and Ryan will earn a master's degree in accounting with data and analytics, providing them with the coursework and real-world experience they need to hit the ground running in today's data age. Ryan will attend The Ohio State University Max M. Fisher College of Business and Sydelle will attend Villanova School of Business. KPMG will pay tuition, and costs for room and board, books, and technology/supplies fees.

**Wanasa Zhou** was selected as the Elite 89 award winner for the 2015 NCAA Division I Women's Golf Championships. The Elite 89 is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative GPA participating in the finals for each of the NCAA's national championships.

## STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS



### ACCOUNTING STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Accounting Student Association (ASA) is a student focused service and professional organization comprised of approximately 70 student members and 12 executive board members.

**Phillip Blanchard** continues to serve as faculty advisor. ASA offers students great opportunities to network with local, national, and global firms at bi-weekly meetings.

As a result of their hard work and dedication to fundraising activities, ASA is very proud of their annual commitment to “give back” to the Accounting Department. ASA has donated more than \$40,000 to the department over the last eight years.

### BETA ALPHA PSI

Beta Alpha Psi had a successful year with an increase in membership to approximately 50 junior and senior accounting majors. **Rob Stussie** is the faculty advisor.

The organization meets weekly. Initiatives such as a Speed Networking Event and an Honorary Program have been incorporated into the organization’s activities with the intention of encouraging engagement and professional growth through networking opportunities.

The Honorary Program focuses on connecting active members to pre-business students to encourage interest in accounting and eventually a smooth transition to an active membership in Beta Alpha Psi. Beta members continue to provide tutoring, exam reviews, and proctoring for introductory level accounting classes such as: ACCT 200, 210, and 250.



### HUNGER WALK

Students, professionals, and friends of the Department supported the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona by participating in the 2016 Hunger Walk. Our Cash Flows Against Hunger team had over 110 participants. We appreciate the attendance of over 60 accounting students and also accounting professionals from **EY, PwC, CBIZ, KLK, BeachFleischman, HBL, and HeinfeldMeech**. The walk raised \$225,000 to support hunger relief efforts across Southern Arizona.

### HOMECOMING GOLF TOURNAMENT

Beta Alpha Psi and the Accounting Students Association continue to host a golf tournament on the Friday of Homecoming weekend. The event is open to current undergraduate and master’s students as well as professionals and alumni. The afternoon is always fun for participants, providing an informal opportunity to network with firm representatives and fellow students and faculty. Please join us!



*Pictured left to right: James Carpenter (R&A CPAs), Hanjing Liu (MSA), Don Pooley (Alum @ PGA Professional), Griffin Goudreau (MAcc), Mark Ontiveros (BDO).*

### EY NATIONAL SPEAKER



The Department seeks opportunities to expose students to important issues facing the accounting profession and the business industry as a whole. For the past six years, the Accounting Department has been honored to receive visits by national-level speakers from EY. This year **Ron Butler**, EY Managing Partner for Arizona, spoke to our students about his career path and what it takes to be successful. As is customary during an EY national speaker visit, several smaller sessions were held with student organizations and former Business Career Awareness Program participants. The eventful day was concluded with a small reception after the presentation where participants were able to meet the speakers and other EY professionals directly.





## BUSINESS CONTRIBUTIONS: FY 15/16

Firm/Employee	Giving Status	Firm/Employee	Giving Status
<b>Deloitte &amp; Touche LLP</b>	<b>Executive</b>	Courtney Maloney	Copper
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John Maddox	Gold	Scott Molos	Copper
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Ashley Scorsatto	Copper	Rachel Levine	Copper
Caitlin Thorn	Copper	Stacy Loftus	Copper
<b>PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP</b>	<b>Executive</b>	<b>CliftonLarsonAllen LLP</b>	<b>Partner</b>
Special thanks to Angela Helbing and Alex Marr.		Special thanks to Jay Buck.	
Reed Mittelstaedt	Benefactor	Elizabeth Shlapack	Copper
Andreas Coumides	Platinum	<b>CBIZ</b>	<b>Partner</b>
Julie Hughes	Silver	Special thanks to Anthony Hakes and Ryan Rold.	
Christina Nordvall	Silver	<b>HBL CPAs, P.C.</b>	<b>Partner</b>
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Matthew Hobbs	Bronze	Sandy Mortensen	Copper
Edward Bennett	Copper	Laura Randol	Copper
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Derek Briese	Copper	Yan Suo	Copper
Gabrielle Johnston	Copper	Eileen Lamse	Brass
Kristi Kawamoto	Copper	Patricia McCoy	Brass
Melinda Montgomery	Copper	Amy Perlich	Brass
Amber Price	Copper	Leanna Preston	Brass
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Clark Wager	Copper	Special thanks to Brian Christensen and Eric Groen.	
Kris Winkler	Copper	Katharyn Robinson	Bronze
Nonilyn Carmago	Brass	Sunny Sanghani	Bronze
Ryan Keefer	Brass	Rachael Coury	Copper
Clarissa Ortega	Brass	Katie Jeffers	Copper
Austin Parise	Brass	Christina Manuele	Copper
<b>Raytheon</b>	<b>Executive</b>	<b>BDO USA, LLP</b>	<b>Director</b>
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<b>KPMG LLP</b>	<b>Partner</b>	Sam Najewicz	Copper
Lawrence Bello	Platinum	<b>Frank, Rimerman &amp; Co. LLP</b>	<b>Director</b>
Travis Beeman	Silver	Special thanks to Frank Pasacreta,	
Lisa Daniels	Silver	Patti Gower, and Sarah Vernizzi.	
George Graves	Silver	<b>Keegan, Linscott &amp; Kenon, P.C.</b>	<b>Director</b>
Philip McKenzie	Silver	Special thanks to Carla Keegan.	
Robert Shanley	Silver	<b>Marsh &amp; McLennan Companies, Inc. (MMC)</b>	<b>Leader</b>
Michael Suba	Silver	Andrew Feng	Gold
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<b>Accounting Student Association</b> Special thanks to Phillip Blanchard.	Leader	<b>Arizona Public Service</b>	Friend
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Humberto Lopez	Benefactor	Mark Fusler	Bronze
Katie & Ted Maxwell	Platinum	K. Andrew Kroese	Bronze
William Waller	Platinum	Phillip Lamoreaux	Bronze
Thomas Klein	Gold	Colin Malchow	Bronze
Gary & Kary Myers	Gold	Landon Mauler	Bronze
Bar-S Foods Co.	Silver	Daniel Russomanno	Bronze
James Brushwood	Silver	Jason Smith	Bronze
Kevin Burnett	Silver	Jessica Thumati	Bronze
James Chyz	Silver	Heather & Jeff Altman	Copper
Leslie & Mike Cohen	Silver	Peter Brown	Copper
Dane Christensen	Silver	Joseph Crawford	Copper
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Raynolde Pereira	Silver	Scott Ranby	Copper
James Reidy	Silver	Beverly Rench	Copper
Sarah Shaikh	Silver	Mark Ross	Copper
Thomas Standing	Silver	Eugene Stout	Copper
Michael Suriano	Silver	Elroy Voss	Copper
Susan Wolak	Silver	Kent Weirich	Copper
Michael Calegari	Bronze	Trevor Derrett	Brass
Linda Chen	Bronze	Navin Kanneganti	Brass
Katharine Drake	Bronze	Alexander Kier	Brass
Leslie Eldenburg	Bronze	Shelly Mitchell	Brass

### WHERE ARE YOU AND WHAT'S NEW?

Please share with us news of your work, family, and adventures. We may include your news in the future Alumni notes. You can bring us up to date by emailing the department at: [accounting@eller.arizona.edu](mailto:accounting@eller.arizona.edu). Stay up to date with all of the Accounting Department news and events. "Like" the University of Arizona Department of Accounting on Facebook!

Visit our website at <https://accounting.eller.arizona.edu>

# Alumni News

## Top 10 CPA Winners

Alex Reff (KLK), Jared Young (HeinfeldMeech), Nick Wolsfeld (PwC), and Jameson Miller (KLK, Not pictured) scored in the Top 10 of the state of Arizona for the CPA Exam.



## UA Alumni Association Outstanding Young Alumni Volunteer Award



**Nicollette Daly**, BS Accounting, 2008 and Master of Accounting, 2010, was awarded the UA Alumni Association Outstanding Young Alumni Volunteer

Award. Nicollette received this award for her commitment to volunteering in the department and Eller College whenever asked. She is a participant on career panels, interviews pre-business students during the admissions process, and was the alumni representative on our Academic Program Review and AACSB accreditation review in 2013. Nicollette was honored at the Eller Homecoming breakfast on October 28th, 2016.



## The Department of Accounting Needs Your Support

Throughout the year, our alumni, donors, staff, faculty, students, and corporate partners make countless contributions to the Eller College. These generous partnerships and commitments help us strengthen our mission, achieve excellence, and educate students. As the College continues to advance and grow, we hope you will make a commitment to invest in the future of the Department of Accounting.

Your gift provides opportunities for our students and faculty that would not otherwise be available. For more information or to make your pledge or donation, visit [accounting.eller.arizona.edu/invest](http://accounting.eller.arizona.edu/invest).

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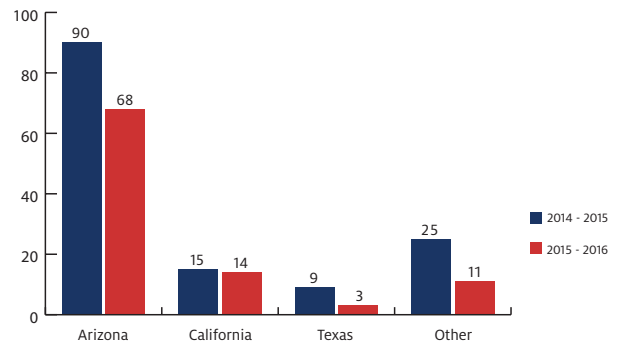
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## Where Do Our Graduates Go?

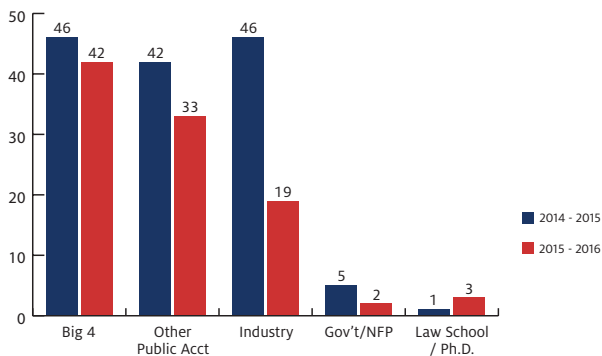
The graphs below show a breakdown of where our students have gone to work after graduation. The MAcc placement rate during the last academic year was 100% and undergraduate placement rate (including continuing education in graduate school) was 87%. The statistics capture students with legal right to work in the United States.

Both programs continue to place students at a very high rate with our undergraduate program placing students at our highest rate in years. The following charts represent combined placement information for undergraduate and graduate students.

## Employment Locations



## Placement



## Public Accounting Placement

