

# Nicole Donahoo

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## Experience

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**Brigham Young University**, Marriott School of Business – Provo, UT

Assistant Professor

2024 - Present

## Education

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**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**, Gies College of Business – Champaign, IL

Doctor of Philosophy in Accounting

May 2024

**Brigham Young University**, Marriott School of Business – Provo, UT

Master of Accountancy

June 2020

Bachelor of Science in Accounting *Cum Laude*

June 2020

Minor in Economics

June 2020

## Academic Research

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### *Working Papers*

“Selling its Soul? Private Equity and the Commercialization of the Attest Profession” with Christine Sims Nielson and Jeffrey Pickerd.

- 1<sup>st</sup> round revise and resubmit at *The Accounting Review*

“Accounting Knowledge on Trial: Forensic Accountant Communication in Litigation”

- Chair: Justin Leiby
- Committee Members: Christie Hayne, Mark Peecher, and Melissa Graebner

“Difference—or Deficiency—in Judgment? Evaluation of Auditors, and the Joint Effects of Approach Punitiveness and Wise Thinking Disposition” with Tim Brown, Tracie Majors, and Mark Peecher.

- Lapsed revise and resubmit at top three accounting journal
- Conducting data analysis after performing additional experiment

“‘A Dream Deferred’: Investigating the Evolution of Entrepreneurial Opportunities in State-based Social Equity Programs with Melissa Graebner, Travis Holmes, and Justin Leiby.

- Conducting additional interviews after completing initial round of coding

“Internal vs. External Audit: Cooperation over Combat” with Christie Hayne and Justin Leiby.

- Currently collecting additional data after receiving feedback on draft

## Teaching

*Instructor*

Brigham Young University

Financial Statement Auditing      Avg. Rating: 4.6-4.9/5      2024

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Decision Making for Accounting      Avg. Rating: 4.6/5      2022

## Teaching Assistant

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Data Analytics Applications in Accountancy 2023

Data Analytics for Management Accounting 2022

Decision Making for Accounting 2020, 2021

## Service

Brigham Young University

Committee Member: Undergraduate Curriculum Committee 2025

Committee Member: Graduate Admissions Committee 2024-2025

Committee Member: PhD Prep Committee 2024-2025

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

*Board Member:* Initiative for Qualitative Research in Innovation and Entrepreneurship Advisory 2022-2024

## Honors and Awards

ABO Research Conference Outstanding Manuscript Award	2025
Timothy Pearson Best Dissertation Award	2025
Kenneth P. Santee Graduate Fellowship, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2023-2024
AAA/Deloitte/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow	2023
Fred H. Figge Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2022-2023
Dennis Fellowship, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2022
List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2022
Victor L. Bernard Memorial Award, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2021-2022
Kevin and Mimi Sayer Master of Accountancy Inspiring Learning Scholarship, Brigham Young University	2020
Honor Medallion Recipient, Brigham Young University	2020
School of Accountancy Graduate Student Scholarship, Brigham Young University	2019-2020
Thomas S. Monson Presidential Scholarship, Brigham Young University	2013-2019

## Professional Experience

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<b>Rocky Mountain Advisory</b> – Salt Lake City, UT	
Forensic Accounting	2018 - 2020
<b>Deloitte Risk and Advisory</b> – New York City, NY	
Forensic Advisory	2019

## Conference Participation

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BYU SOA Conference ( <i>Presenter</i> )	2025
PCAOB Conference on Auditing and Capital Markets ( <i>Participant</i> )	2025
AAA Accounting Behavior and Organizations Midyear Meeting ( <i>Presenter</i> )	2025
AAA New Faculty Consortium ( <i>Participant</i> )	2025
AAA Audit Midyear Meeting ( <i>Discussant, Reviewer</i> )	2025
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Auditing Research Symposium ( <i>Participant</i> )	2024
The EIASM Accounting Forum on Qualitative Research in North American Journals ( <i>Presenter</i> )	2024, 2025
AAA Audit Midyear Meeting ( <i>Discussant</i> )	2024
AAA Audit Doctoral Consortium ( <i>Participant</i> )	2024
AAA Accounting Behavior and Organizations Midyear Meeting ( <i>Participant</i> )	2023
AAA Accounting Behavior and Organizations Doctoral Consortium ( <i>Participant</i> )	2023
2023 Conference on Qualitative Research in Accounting ( <i>Moderator</i> )	2023
AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium ( <i>Presenter</i> )	2023
Kathleen Eisenhardt Symposium ( <i>Presenter</i> )	2023
AAA Forensic Accounting Section Research Conference ( <i>Presenter, Reviewer</i> )	2023
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Auditing Research Symposium ( <i>Participant, Reviewer</i> )	2022
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Audit Doctoral Consortium ( <i>Participant</i> )	2022
PCAOB Conference on Auditing and Capital Markets ( <i>Participant</i> )	2022
AAA Audit Midyear Meeting ( <i>Reviewer</i> )	2021
Brigham Young Accounting Research Symposium ( <i>Reviewer, Presenter</i> )	2019, 2022-2025