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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Management (Accounting) Queen's University Thesis: How Do You Really Feel?: Two Experiments on the Impact of Affect on Investor Judgment and Decision Making	July 2018
M.Sc., Finance University of Saskatchewan Thesis: <i>The Value of Apology</i>	August 2014
B.Sc., Accounting Brigham Young University Hawaii <i>Economics Minor; Magna Cum Laude</i>	June 2010
Completed CFA Level 2 Exam	July 2013

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, University of Saskatchewan	2022-Present
Assistant Professor, Wilfrid Laurier University	2018-2022

RESEARCH

Research Interests: Understanding individuals' judgment and decision-making (JDM) using accounting information within contexts relevant to investors, employees, managers, and regulators. I predominately draw from theory in psychology and use experiments to explore and explain individual behavior.

Published Articles:

Mescall, D., Schmidt, R., & **Wynes**, **M**. (2025). Evidence about Discipline Committees and Professional Misconduct of Auditors. *Accounting Perspectives*, Forthcoming.

Durney, M., Smith, J., & Wynes, M. (2025). Connecting the Dots: Helping Investors Use Risk Disclosures When Evaluating Financial Statements. *Accounting Horizons*, Forthcoming.

Bable, J., Wong, C., & Wynes, M. (2025). The Decision Usefulness of CECL: Users' and Preparers' Views about the Current Expected Credit Losses Model. *Behavioral Research in Accounting*, Forthcoming.

Wynes, M. (2025). Earnings Disclosures and Investor Judgments: The Joint Effect of Incidental Affect, Earnings Valence, and Emotion-understanding Ability. *Accounting Perspectives*. Forthcoming.

Wynes, M. (2022). "Just Say You're Sorry": Avoidance and Revenge Behavior in Response to Organizations Apologizing for Fraud. *Journal of Business Ethics 178* (1), 129-151.

Smith, J. & Wynes, M. (2022). Explaining Investors' Fixation on Increasing Revenue: An Experimental Investigation of the Differential Reaction to Revenues Versus Expenses. *Accounting Perspectives 21 (1)*, 7-30.

Wynes, M. (2021). Anger, Fear, and Investor's Information Search Behavior. *Journal of Behavioral Finance 22 (4)*, 403-419.

Murphy, P., **Wynes, M.**, Hahn, T., & Devine, P. (2020). Why are People Honest? Internal and External Motivations to Report Honestly. *Contemporary Accounting Research* 37 (2), 945-981.

Racine, M., Wilson, C., & **Wynes, M.** (2020). The Value of Apology: Stock Market Reactions to Organizational Crises and the Moderating Effect of Apology. *Journal of Business Ethics 163 (3)*, 485-505.

Technical Reports:

Wynes, M. (2021). *Emotional Intelligence: A Quick Primer for CPAs*. CPA Ontario Centre for Capital Markets and Behavioural Decision Making at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Wynes, M. (2021). Sorry Seems to be the Hardest Word: A Brief Overview of Organizational Apologies. CPA Ontario Centre for Capital Markets and Behavioural Decision Making at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Manuscripts Under Review:

Revisiting the Influence of Affect on Managers' Capital Budgeting Decisions: The Moderating Role of Emotional Intelligence (with Errol Osecki & Chris Wong). *Round 1 R&R*.

Searching Under Uncertainty: Behavioral Drivers of Employees' Search Strategies (with Leslie Berger, Lan Guo, & Zhuoyi Zhao). *Under round 1 review*.

Discipline Committee Sanction Judgments for Auditor Professional Misconduct: The Effects of Apologies and Social Ties (with Regan Schmidt). *Under round 1 review*.

Works in Progress:

Employee Discretion in Compensation Contracts: How Employees' Choice to Include Equity Influences Managers Subsequent Bonus and Promotion Decisions (with Sara Wick & Chris Wong).

Does Working From Home Impact One's Decision To Blow The Whistle? (with Pamela Murphy).

What Do Investors' Want In Human Capital Disclosures? (with Mike Durney & Derek Smith).

Taxpayers Adherence To Bad Advice: The Moderating Role Of Tax Literacy (with Brayden Arnott)

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TEACHING

Teaching Interests: Financial Accounting, Financial Statement Analysis, Valuation

Graduate Courses Currently Taught

MPAC 837 Advanced Finance

Undergraduate Courses Currently Taught

COMM 201 Introduction to Financial Accounting

COMM 321 Intermediate Financial Accounting

Graduate Courses Previously Taught

BU 517 Financial Statement Analysis

BU 610 Applied Business Research

Undergraduate Courses Previously Taught

COMM 210 Introduction to Managerial Accounting

COMM 363 Intermediate Corporate Finance

PhD Student Dissertation Committee	
Tisha King, Wilfrid Laurier University (Initial placement:	Defended June 2021
Dalhousie University; Currently at University of Waterloo)	
MSc External Examiner	
Fatemeh Kordi, University of Saskatchewan	Defended May 2024
Chunhui Yan, University of Saskatchewan	Defended July 2023
Undergraduate Honours Student Supervision	
Brayden Arnott	2024 - 2025
Journal Associate Editor	
Accounting Perspectives	2023 – Present
Journal Editorial Board Member	
Accounting Perspectives	2020 - 2023
Ad Hoc Journal Reviewer	
Accounting Forum	
Accounting Horizons	
Behavioral Research in Accounting	
British Accounting Review	
European Accounting Review	
Issues in Accounting Education	
Journal of Behavioral Finance	
Journal of Business Ethics	
Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization	
Management Accounting Research Committees	
	2022 D
University of Saskatchewan Research Ethics Board Edwards School of Business Research Committee	2023-Present 2022-Present
Wilfrid Laurier University Research Ethics Board	2019 - 2022
Queen's School of Business Promotion & Tenure Review Committee	2019 - 2022
Edwards School of Business Assurance of Learning Committee	2013-2014
Edwards School of Business Research & Research Ethics Committee	2013-2014
Volunteer Service	2010 2011
Integrated Case Competition (Wilfrid Laurier University), Judge	2019-2022
Sun West School Division, Online Instructor Accounting & Finance M	
JDC West Finance Team Coach (University of Saskatchewan)	2012-2014
Media	
CBC Radio Morning Edition (talking about corporate apologies)	2014
Textbook Contributor	
McGraw Hill	2022-Present
Expert Witness Reports	
McDougall Gauley LLP – report submitted	2024
(Appropriate adjustments for owner-manager salaries in the valuation of closely he	
SMK Law – report submitted	2025
(Appropriate disclosures of revenue according to IFRS)	

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PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Invited Presentations		
Queen's University PhD 45 th Anniversary		2024
Accounting Perspectives Symposium – Academic Discussant		2024 & '23
CPA Ontario Behavioral Accounting Research Symposium		2018
Georgia Tech		2018
Wilfrid Laurier University		2018
Saint Mary's University		2018
University of Pittsburgh		2018
Ivey Business School, University of Western	Ontario	2017
Conference Participation		
2025 CAAA Annual Conference	Presenter, Discussant, Moderator	2025
2025 SOBDR Conference	Presenter	2025
2025 HARC Meeting	Presenter, Discussant, Moderator	2025
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer	2024
CAAA Annual Conference	Reviewer, Presenter	2024
2024 HARC Meeting	Presenter, Discussant	2024
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer, Presenter, Discussant	2023
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	Reviewer, Presenter	2023
FARS Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer, Presenter	2023
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer, Presenter, Discussant	2022
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	Reviewer, Presenter	2022
FARS Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer	2022
FARS Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer	2021
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	Reviewer	2021
CAAA Annual Conference	Reviewer, Presenter, Discussant	2020
FARS Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer	2020
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer, Discussant	2019
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	Reviewer, Presenter	2019
CAAA Annual Conference	Reviewer	2019
CPA Canada 4 th Annual Ethics Symposium	Reviewer	2019
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer, Presenter	2018
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	Reviewer, Presenter	2018
AAA Rookie Recruiting Camp	Presenter	2017
CAAA Annual Conference	Reviewer, Presenter, Discussant	2017
Forensic Accounting Mid-year Meeting	Reviewer, Presenter, Moderator	2017
FARS Section Mid-year Meeting	Doctoral Consortium	2017
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	Reviewer, Presenter	2016
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer, Doctoral Consortium	2016
BYU Accounting Research Symposium		2015
ABO Section Midyear Meeting	Reviewer	2015
FARS Section Mid-year Meeting		2015
BYU Accounting Research Symposium		2014
CAAA Annual Conference		2014
Edwards Symposium on Finance		2014
BYU Accounting Research Symposium		2013

AWARDS & GRANTS

Research Awards	
Dean's Award for Emerging Scholar, Edwards School of Business	2024
FARS Mid-Year Meeting Excellence in Reviewing Award	2020
Research Grants	
CPA-CAAA Research Grant Program, Co-investigator (\$9,900)	2019
Lazaridis Institute Seed Grant, Co-investigator (\$9,405)	2019
CPA-CAAA Research Grant Program, Primary Investigator (\$9,100)	2018
Laurier Research Committee, Primary Investigator (\$5,000)	2018