



PAMPLIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
ACCOUNTING & I.S.
 VIRGINIA TECH.

PhD in Accounting

About Our Program: The doctoral program at Virginia Tech prepares students for successful careers at top business schools in the U.S. and around the world. We heavily emphasize research skills, which students develop over 4 to 5 years through coursework, research-focused program requirements, regular faculty interactions, and co-authored projects. Our faculty are experts in a variety of research methods (archival, experimental, and qualitative) and topics (audit, financial, managerial, governance, and tax), giving each student a personalized experience that caters to their unique area of interest.

Website: <https://acis.pamplin.vt.edu/academic-programs/doctorate-degree.html>



RESEARCH: The objective of our program is to graduate high-quality researchers who will publish in top accounting journals. Each student develops at least three research papers as part of the minimum program requirements, and most pursue additional research projects co-authored with Virginia Tech faculty. Our students also regularly participate in major research conferences throughout the year.



FUNDING: In addition to a full tuition waiver and comprehensive fee scholarship, each student receives an annual stipend/scholarship of approximately \$46,000 for the first two years and \$40,000 for the following years (with the chance to earn competitive summer grants and other scholarships). Additional funding is available for coding camp, conference attendance, and research support (e.g., computer, software, data).

KEY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

Coursework

Comprehensive Exam

Dissertation

First-Year Paper

Second-Year Paper



Interested in learning more about who we are?

Scan here to learn more about our diverse group of faculty and PhD students.



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WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO APPLY BEFORE DECEMBER 15

Apply here:



QUICK FACTS

- 4-year program with the option for a 5th year to further develop your research
- Ability to pursue archival, experimental, or qualitative research methods
- Several accounting seminars taught by faculty that are experts in their area (intro to research methods taught by Sarah Stein; capital markets taught by Robert Davidson; audit archival taught by Jeff Pittman; experimental taught by Sudip Bhattacharjee)
- Frequent co-authored projects between the PhD students and faculty

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



Jeff Pittman,
Editor at *Contemporary Accounting Research* and [Ranked #1 in the world](#)

“At VT, you will be joining a PhD program on the rise evident in both recent student awards and faculty publications in major journals. Importantly, the diversity in the faculty’s methodological approaches and topical areas ensures that you will have the flexibility to modify your program as your research interests evolve. VT’s accounting PhD program will provide you the opportunity to learn in a highly collegial, dynamic environment, setting the stage for you to thrive in a career in research.”

RECENT PLACEMENTS

- University of Alabama
- University of Illinois
- Fairfield University
- Belmont University
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Mississippi State University
- North Carolina State University

RECENT RECOGNITION/AWARDS

Deloitte Doctoral Fellowship in Accounting

- Delia Valentine
- Karneisha Wolfe
- Jess Filosa

AICPA William (Bill) Ezzell Scholarship

- Jess Filosa
- Sabrina Summers

AICPA Accounting Doctoral Scholars

- Gabe DiYorio
- Karneisha Wolfe



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

- Since 2018, our faculty have published >65 research papers in elite journals (“Top 6”)
- Our faculty members serve as editors or on editorial boards of top journals including: *The Accounting Review*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, and *Auditing: A Journal of Practice and Theory*