

ALEX COBLE

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EDUCATION

The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania PhD Student in Accounting	Philadelphia, PA Aug. 2020 – Present
Raymond A. Mason School of Business, The College of William & Mary Master of Accounting; Concentration in valuation; Cumulative GPA: 4.0	Williamsburg, VA Aug. 2016 – May 2017
Raymond A. Mason School of Business, The College of William & Mary Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ; Concentration in finance with an international emphasis; Cumulative GPA: 3.77	Williamsburg, VA Aug. 2013 – May 2016

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Determinants of disclosure and its economic consequences, capital raising via traditional IPOs, SPACs, private equity, and venture capitalists, mergers and acquisitions, and information dissemination

WORKING PAPERS

“Public Firm Disclosure and Private Firm Capital Raising” (solo-authored)
“SPACs vs. Smart Money? Evidence from the Paycheck Protection Program” (with Jennifer Blouin and Allison Nicoletti)

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

2023	The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (Feb. 21)
2022	The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (Dec. 6)
2021	The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (Aug. 26, Dec. 2)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

2023	AFA Conference (Jan. 5-8) Four School Accounting Research Conference (Apr. 28)
2021	JAЕ Conference (Oct. 15-16)
2020	JAЕ Conference (Oct. 23-24) RAST Conference (Dec. 10-11)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor/Lecturer, Girls Who Invest Summer Intensive Program 2-Day Firm Valuation Module	Summer 2023
Instructor/Lecturer, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania ACCT 101: Accounting and Financial Reporting Instructor rating: 3.7/4.0 (historical course average: 2.6/4.0)	Summer 2022
Teaching Assistant, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania ACCT 102: Strategic Cost Analysis Instructors: Matt Bloomfield and Mirko Heinle	Spring 2023
ACCT 101: Accounting and Financial Reporting Instructor: Antonio Marra	Spring 2022
ACCT 102: Strategic Cost Analysis Instructors: Matt Bloomfield, Carolyn Deller, and Chris Ittner	Spring 2021

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

KPMG LLP

Financial Due Diligence Senior Associate
Audit Senior Associate
Audit Associate
Audit Intern

McLean, VA/Washington D.C.
Jan. 2020 – Apr. 2020
Jul. 2019 – Dec. 2019
Sept. 2017 – Jul. 2019
Jun. 2016 – Aug. 2016

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in Virginia
American Finance Association (AFA) Member
American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) Member

2018 – Present
2022 – Present
2019 – 2021

AWARDS AND HONORS

The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

Fellowship for Doctoral Studies

2020 - Present

The College of William & Mary

Trustees' Award for the highest GPA in the Master of Accounting program
Beta Gamma Sigma International Business Honor Society
Master of Accounting Merit Based Scholarship
Bachelor of Business Administration Magna Cum Laude
Undergraduate Dean's List

2017
2017
2016 – 2017
2016
2013 – 2016

OTHER INFORMATION

Programming Skills

R, Python, Stata, SAS, LaTeX

2020 – Present

Volunteer Service

Keystone Human Services, Susquehanna Service Dogs, *Volunteer Dog Sitter*
Penn Vet Working Dog Center, *Volunteer Dog Sitter*

2021 – Present
2023 – Present