Letter from the Chair:

Greetings!

Fall semester is in full swing – and again all of UC and our accounting programs have grown. Over 720 accounting majors are taking classes this Fall, as well as just over 100 MS Accounting students and about 40 in our online MS Tax and Tax Certificate programs. This September we had a great combined Meet the Firms and Industry Leader Night in the Alumni Center with close to 200 students talking with recruiters from almost 40 different organizations, including all medium and large public accounting firms in the Cincinnati area. Thanks go to Beta Alpha Psi, their new advisor Molly Rogers, and our College career services for all of their hard work.

We have already scheduled eight campus visits by faculty candidates for Fall as we aggressively work to find new faculty to handle our growth and replenish our department. Five or six retirements are expected next Spring as pension changes very strongly encourage many more experienced faculty to retire before Fall 2015. Our first official retirement announcement is that of Ginger Clark – who has done an outstanding job during her almost 30 years at UC. We will miss her greatly and are now planning an Accounting Department Retirement and Awards Dinner next March to honor her and other retirees.

This Fall we welcomed three new full-time faculty: Dr. Mark Myring is a Full Professor, the Norwood and Marjorie Geis Endowed Chair in Accounting and our PhD Program Director. Mark is working to welcome three or four new doctoral students in Fall 2015. Dr. Natalia Mintchik is an Associate Professor and comes from the University of Missouri - St. Louis. Dr. Rick Warne is an Assistant Professor and comes from George Mason University in Virginia. The next page of this update includes their photos and brief bios. A few people have asked about my background, so we are reprinting a brief bio prepared by the Carl H. Lindner College of Business.

Bill Van Lokeren and Jerry Wahl are busily preparing for the 47th UC Income Tax Conference to be held December 9 and 10, 2014 at the Duke Energy Center in downtown Cincinnati (for more information, go to: http://business.uc.edu/departments/accounting/tax-conference.html).

We got great news in August when the Public Accounting Report’s 2014 survey ranked UC’s MS Accounting program as a top program in the nation. The 33rd annual survey of US accounting faculty ranked Lindner No. 21 among schools with fewer than 15 full-time faculty.

Finally, the newsletter highlights our Beta Alpha Psi Officers, awards that our students won, and organizations that hired our undergraduate accounting and MS Accounting graduates.

The UC Accounting Program has a strong tradition and many things for which to be proud - and together we can make it even stronger.
Our Newest Faculty Members

**Natalia M. Mintchik** PhD  
(University of North Texas), CPA, CISA, is an Associate Professor of Accounting. She has published extensively in the leading academic and premier professional journals, including *Auditing: Journal of Practice and Theory*, *Journal of Business Ethics*, *Accounting Horizons*, *Journal of Management Accounting Research*, *Research in Accounting Regulation*, *Journal of Information Technology*, *CPA Journal*, *Current Issues in Auditing*, and *Strategic Finance*. She is also a winner of the Best Case of the 2008 IMA Carl Menconi Ethics Case Writing Competition and the recipient of several research and service awards. She is now a faculty liaison with the Institute of Management Accounting (IMA). At UC she teaches auditing and fraud examination.

**Rick Warne** PhD  
(University of Utah), CPA, is an Assistant Professor of Accounting who earned a MAcc and BS degree in accounting from Brigham Young University and graduated *cum laude*. Before academia, Rick worked for the Office of the Utah State Auditor where he helped uncover a large fraud. His research interests include judgment and decision making of auditors and investors, contemporary auditing issues, accounting litigation, ethics, and fraud theory. Rick has published his research in *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Auditing: A Journal of Practice and Theory*, *Journal of Business Cases*, *Current Issues in Accounting*, and *Fraud Magazine*. Rick participated in an interview discussing his research on *National Public Radio*. At UC he teaches auditing and fraud examination.

**Mark Myring** PhD  
(Kent State University) directs the accounting doctoral program and holds the Norwood and Marjorie Geis Endowed Chair in Accounting. Previously, Mark was the Alumni Distinguished Professor and Chair of Accounting at Ball State University. Mark has published 38 articles – including four times in a Financial Times 45 journal: *The Accounting Review*, *Journal of Business Ethics*, and twice in *Contemporary Accounting Research*. Mark brings to UC excellent teaching in a wide variety of financial and managerial accounting courses. Mark teaches our MS Accounting capstone and soon will teach doctoral seminars. Mark is well-known in the accounting academy, both for his research and for his active involvement in the American Accounting Association, including his current role as President of the Midwest AAA.
UC Welcomes New Accounting Chair

Robert Larson joins faculty and brings more than 25 years’ experience to the Carl H. Lindner College of Business.

Larson joined the Lindner College of Business in July 2013 as chair of the Department of Accounting and brings more than 25 years of academia and professional experience to the position.

Larson is an active member of the American Accounting Association (AAA) and has served in a variety of leadership capacities. He is a Past-President of its International Accounting Section, a Past-President of its Ohio region, and a past member of the AAA Council. He won the 2010 International Accounting Section’s Outstanding Service Award.

An accomplished researcher, Larson has published seven book chapters and over thirty journal articles, and has made over sixty conference presentations. His most recent article, “A Multi-Issue/Multi-Period Analysis of the Geographic Diversity of IASB Comment Letter Participation,” was published summer 2013 in Accounting in Europe.

Larson earned a Bachelor of Science in business and economics in 1980 from George Fox University, Newberg, Oregon, and an MBA in 1987 from Portland State University. In 1993, he earned a Ph.D. in Business Administration, with a major in accounting, from the University of Utah.

Larson came to Lindner from the University of Dayton, where he was a Professor of Accounting and had taught accounting since 2001. Earlier, Larson taught accounting for nine years at the Pennsylvania State University at Harrisburg, where he had been the MBA program director and the accounting program coordinator.

He worked professionally in accounting for almost eight years at Northwest Natural Gas Company in Portland, Oregon. Larson rose to Accounting Supervisor, External Reporting and Technical Research, where he was actively involved with SEC filings and annual reports. He is a licensed CPA and a Certified Management Accountant.

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Beta Alpha Psi (Accounting Honorary Fraternity) Officers

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2013-2014 Student Award & Scholarship Winners:

UC Presidential Leadership Medal of Excellence Winner - Kyle Quinn (see story next page)
LCB’s Outstanding Undergraduate Student Winner was an accounting major - Sarah Chant

![Sarah Chant](image)

**Outstanding MS Accounting Student Award** – Robert Braun

**Outstanding Undergraduate Accounting Student Award** - James Klaserner

**William Merke Lindner College of Business Scholarship** – Five Accounting Student Winners:

Jacob Fields, Courtney Koester, Alexander McLaughlin, Gika Okonji, and Mark Szwejkowski

**Mitchell S. Gaswirth – Arthur Andersen Scholarship** – Ian Clark

Adah Pylkas Scholarship – Penny Brewer

Construction Fin’l Management Association (CFMA) $1,000 Scholarship Winner - Amy Flynn

UC Financial Executive Institute (FEI) Scholarship Winner – Ellery Newkirk
UC Names Lindner Student a Recipient of the Presidential Leadership Medal of Excellence
Kyle Quinn to receive UC’s highest award for undergraduates.

Accounting/International Business major Kyle Quinn, BBA ’13 received UC’s highest honor for undergraduates: the 2014 Presidential Leadership Medal of Excellence. He is a scholarship recipient in the Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS Program and alumnus of the University Honors Program. He placed in the nation’s top five winners in the PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)’s Tax competition in 2009, and presented his findings on tax reform to fund federal health care initiatives in Washington, D.C. He worked on six cooperative education rotations with Ernst & Young. He is now employed at PwC in Chicago.

Adapted from LCB News Published April 15, 2014. For the full text, go to:

CB Team Semi-Finalist in National PwC Case Competition

Last Fall PwC for the 7th year held their case competition at Lindner with 13 teams with 65 students competing. With guidance from Faculty Mentor Jeri Ricketts and PwC Mentor Brian Trueman, the Winning Team went on to be a national semi-finalist!

Winning Team: Nate Bennett, Clark Henson, Tommy Kreyenhagen, Neil Mullen, and Jack Wells Runner-up: Xingjian Chen, Morgan Eberle, Rosalind Holmes, Michael Klemt, Michelle Nguyen

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http://business.uc.edu/news/disciplines/business-administration/2013/nov/pwc-competition.html
Congratulations Accounting Graduates!

Placement of Undergraduate Accounting Students for most recent year with data*

8 Students:  
Clark Schaeffer Hackett; Ernst & Young (EY)

6 Students:  
PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC)

4 Students:  
Fifth Third Bank; Grant Thornton

3 Students:  
Deloitte

2 Students:  
General Electric (various divisions); KPMG; Luxottica (various divisions); Phillips Edison & Company; PNC Bank; UC; Unlimited Systems; Western & Southern Financial Group

1 Student Each:

AXA Investment Managers; Barnes Dennig; ch2m hill; Cincinnati Bell; Cincinnati Public Library; Crosley's; D'Andrea Ebel & Company; Empire Marketing Strategies; Fike Advisors; Fort Washington Investment Advisors; Forward Edge; Fox TV; Funkys Catering; General Financial & Tax Consulting; Great American Insurance Group; H.K. Campbell & Company; Hydro Systems; Intelligrated; i-wireless; Job1USA; Kemper CPA Group; Key & Associates; KeyBank; Kohl's Department Stores; Kroger; Macy's; Marathon Petroleum Corporation; Occidental Petroleum of Qatar Ltd; Ohio National Financial Services; Omnicare; Parking Company of America; Plante Moran; Preferred Global Equipment; Rippe and Kingston; Rockstar Sportscards; Soccer Village; State Farm; Sun Chemical; Toyota Motor Corporation; TQL; TSS Technologies; Ultimus Fund Solutions LLC; VonLehman & Company; Watch-Us Inc; Wind Walker Farm; US Environmental Protection Agency

Placement of MS Accounting Students for most recent year with data*

3 Students:  
Ernst & Young (EY); Fifth Third Bank

2 Students:  
Barnes Dennig

1 Student Each:

3CDC; ACT; BKD; Caterpillar; Cincinnati Test Systems; Cintas; Clark Schaeffer Hackett; Communicare Health Services; Edelman; HW & Co.; Illinois Department of Revenue; J.D. Cloud; KPMG; Kroger; Mediterranean Shipping Company; Miller-Valentine; Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC); Richardson & Associates, LLC; Selerity; Sun Chemical; True Power Solar; Vincent Chong, CPA

* From students responding to inquiries of employment; Undergrad 2013-2014; MS 2012-2013.