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Education

The University of Manchester – Alliance Manchester Business School **Sept. 2019 – Present**

PhD candidate in Accounting & Finance (Full Time)

- Thesis title: “Three Essays on Corporate Tax Planning and Corporate Tax Policy”
- Thesis defence: Expected **May 2023**
- Supervisors: Edward Lee; Konstantinos Stathopoulos

Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB) – School of Business **Sept. 2016 – Oct. 2017**

M.Sc., Accounting & Finance (Full Time), GPA 9.70/10.00, **First – Class Honours**

- Thesis supervisor: Georgia Siougle

Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB) – School of Business **Sept. 2011 – Sept. 2015**

B.Sc., Business Administration, GPA 7.45/10.00, **Upper Second – Class Honours**

Manuscripts Under Review

“**The Effect of Tax Policies on Corporate Risk-Taking: Evidence From Bonus Depreciation**” sole-authored Job Market Paper. <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4210635>. Submitted to *The Accounting Review* (4* ABS / FT50) in October 2022, currently awaiting the first round of reviews.

“**Managerial Short-Termism and Corporate Tax Avoidance**” with Edward Lee and Konstantinos Stathopoulos. <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3979799>. Submitted to the *Journal of Accounting Research* (4* ABS / FT50) in November 2022, currently awaiting the first round of reviews.

“**Does Corporate Tax Planning Affect Firm Productivity?**” with Edward Lee and Konstantinos Stathopoulos. <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3856522>. Submitted to *Management Science* (4* ABS / FT50) in November 2022, currently awaiting the first round of reviews.

Academic Experience

The University of Manchester – Alliance Manchester Business School **Sept. 2020 – Present**

Graduate Teaching Assistant for **BMAN71132** and **BMAN73842**:

- Lead lecture workshops.
- Lead discussion-based lectures.
- Assist course convenor with administrative tasks.
- Assist course convenor with curriculum development.

Professional Experience

Ernst & Young – Athens, Greece **Sept. 2017 – Aug. 2019**

Assurance, **Senior Analyst** with experience in **IPOs** and **M&As**:

- Produced corporate performance analytics through ratio, variance, and trend analyses.
- Modelled and implemented recoverability tests on long-lived assets to assess the compliance of cash flow projection assumptions as per “ASC 360-10 Impairment of long-lived assets”.
- Executed quantitative and qualitative analyses on the Client’s current liquidity, future financing plans and market trends to perform the Going Concern Assessment as per “ASC 205 Presentation of financial statements”.
- Drafted financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP to ensure that disclosures were clear and concise.
- Examined SEC filing drafts and earning releases to confirm that fair and accurate information is presented.

Memberships of Academic and Professional Bodies

Academic member:

American Accounting Association	Aug. 2020 – Present
British Academy of Management	Jul. 2021 – Present
Financial Management Association	Aug. 2021 – Present
International Corporate Governance Society	Aug. 2021 – Present
European Accounting Association	Feb. 2022 – Present

Professional member:

Institute of Management Accountants	Jun. 2017 – Jun. 2021
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Professional Qualifications

- **Certified Financial Modelling & Valuation Analyst (FMVA™)** by the Corporate Finance Institute, Canada '18.
- Candidate for the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (**ACCA**) qualification. Passed 9/13 modules.
- Candidate for the Certified Management Accountant (**CMA™**) qualification.

Awards & Honours

- **Alliance Manchester Business School PhD Studentship** (3 years: tuition fees plus living expenses).
- **Alliance Manchester Business School** teaching excellence award (2021 and 2022).
- **Full Scholarship** from AUEB and IMA to pursue the CMA™ qualification (2017 – 2021).
- **Top 1% (1st Prize)**, AUEB M.Sc. Academic excellence award (2017).

Languages & Technical Skills

Languages: Greek (Native), English (Fluent), German (Conversational).

Programming languages: R (Expert), Stata (Proficient), Python (Conversational).

Tools & libraries: Git, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office, NumPy, OpenShot, UNIX/Bash.

Interests & Other Information

Reading, Swimming, Basketball, Coding.

Mandatory Military service:

- Served for nine months as **Staff Sergeant** in the Department of Economics of the Greek Supreme Military Command of the Interior and Islands, Military Base (Jan. 2016 – Oct. 2016).

References:

- Edward Lee; Konstantinos Stathopoulos; Georgios Voulgaris.