



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS  
*Graduate Programs*

# PURSUE a Ph.D. with a MAJOR IN ACCOUNTING

LEARN CRITICAL SKILLS FOR A SUCCESSFUL ACADEMIC CAREER

**Andrea Tillet**,  
Ph.D. 2022, left,  
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William Hillison  
Associate Professor of  
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Ph.D. program. Tillet  
won the 2021 Best  
Dissertation Award  
for the Financial  
Accounting and Reporting  
Section of  
the American  
Accounting  
Association.



- Research capital markets, financial reporting, and auditing from an empirical-archival perspective.
- Prepare to become an independent researcher through rigorous foundational coursework and seminars.
- Engage with our supportive and collegial environment that provides active and individualized mentoring.
- Collaborate on co-authored research projects with faculty members. Recent topics include earnings management, executive compensation, management forecasts, revenue recognition, textual analysis of corporate disclosure, accruals reversals, and critical audit matter disclosures.
- Count on strong financial support throughout program, including an annual stipend, tuition waiver, and health insurance. Additional fellowships are available for underrepresented groups and some international applicants.
- Benefit from a tradition of excellent placement opportunities, with salaries in the top 10% of U.S. households. Recent graduate placements include faculty positions at the University of Wisconsin, University of California (UCLA), Baruch College, University of Arizona, North Carolina State University, Georgia State University, and Northeastern University.

Apply by Dec. 1 for priority consideration. All applications must be submitted by March 1.

[business.fsu.edu/phd-accounting](https://business.fsu.edu/phd-accounting)

## A look at the numbers

**#1** In the state of Florida and **#2** in the Southeast U.S. – for breadth of research topics and research methods, based on Ph.D. students' publication success within three years of graduation.

**#2** In Florida and **#4** in the Southeast U.S. – based on either Ph.D. students' financial or audit archival publications within three years of graduating.

**#2** In the U.S. – in graduating underrepresented minority doctoral students.

## Committed to diversity

- FSU's Accounting Ph.D. program has admitted 12 underrepresented minority students in collaboration with The PhD Project, and 100% have graduated with an academic placement or are on track to graduate on time.
- The McKnight Fellowship Program may provide an additional annual stipend of \$12,000 for U.S. citizens of African American or Hispanic descent. The AICPA Fellowship may award an additional annual stipend of \$12,000 for minority applicants (including Native American, Alaskan, Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander). Citizens from Latin American and Caribbean countries may be eligible for a State of Florida fellowship that substantially reduces tuition rates for non-Florida residents.

## What our graduates are saying:



"FSU's Ph.D. program was a perfect fit for me. The coursework followed an intuitive sequence to build my knowledge of the literature and toolkit to conduct my own research. I was then left to independently develop my own research agenda, and the faculty supported the path I chose.

"Everyone was so approachable, cordial and encouraging, and I can't imagine a better environment. The faculty were also always willing to collaborate. I have four publications with current or former faculty, and other projects that are still on going. Overall, I couldn't have been happier with my Ph.D. experience."

**Robbie Moon** - *Scheller College of Business, Georgia Institute of Technology*



"The best part about pursuing my Ph.D. at FSU was the collaborative environment within the College of Business. The major strength of the Ph.D. program is the very friendly, supportive environment created by faculty members and Ph.D. students. The faculty members want to help Ph.D. students succeed."

**Dana Wallace** - *Kenneth G. Dixon School of Accounting, University of Central Florida*



"The accounting doctoral program at Florida State is exceptional. The training in rigorous research methods and high-quality teaching pedagogy that I received prepared me for my tenure-track faculty role at a large research university."

**Eduardo Fuste** - *Baruch College, The City University of New York (CUNY)*