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**AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

* Accounting
* Auditing
* Financial Analysis
* Instructional Design
* Technology Management

**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D., Auburn University**, School of Business & College of Liberal Arts, Auburn, AL. Concentration: Public Administration and Public Policy emphasis in Government Accounting.

**M.P.A., University of Illinois**, College of Public Affairs & Administration, Springfield, IL. Concentration: Public Administration emphasis on Government Accounting.

**B.B.A., Gonzaga University, School of Business,** Spokane, WA. Major: Business Administration; Concentration: Finance, Law, and Public Policy.

**Graduate Certificate, University of Pennsylvania**, Wharton School of Business, Philadelphia, PA. Concentration: FinTech

**Graduate Certificate, Harvard University**, Harvard School of Business, Cambridge, MA. Concentration: Case Method Teaching

**Graduate Certificate, University of Wisconsin**, School of Business, Madison, WI. Concentration: Advanced Government Finance

**Graduate Certificate, Seattle Pacific University**, School of Business, Government, and Economics, Seattle, WA. Concentration: Professional Accounting.

**Graduate Certificate**, University of Washington, Foster School of Business, Seattle, WA. Concentration: Accounting.

**EMPLOYMENT**

**Professor of Accounting**

Cal Poly Humboldt, a California State University - Arcata, CA

**CPA Partner**

Zender and Associates - Arcata, CA

**Financial Systems Manager**

The City of Bellingham, Finance Department - Bellingham, WA

**Senior Consultant**

Auburn University - Auburn, AL

**Internal Auditor II**

County of San Diego - San Diego, CA

**Analyst**

Accenture, Ltd - New York, NY

**Academic Appointments**

2024 - Present Professor Cal Poly Humboldt, School of Business

2019 - 2024 Associate Professor Cal Poly Humboldt, School of Business 2015 - 2019 Assistant Professor Cal Poly Humboldt, School of Business

**Administrative Appointments**

2017 - 2020 MBA Program Director, Cal Poly Humboldt, Arcata, CA 2011 - 2014 Financial Manager, City of Bellingham, Bellingham, WA 2007 - 2011 Senior Consultant, Auburn University, Auburn, AL

2005 – 2007 Internal Auditor II, County of San Diego, San Diego, CA 2004 - 2005 Analyst, Accenture, Ltd., New York, NY

2003 - Present Owner, Zender & Associates, a CPA firm

**Professional Certifications**

| 9/2016 | CGMA, Certified Global Management Accountant |
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| 2/2008 | CGFM, Certified Government Finance Manager |
| 1/2007 | CIA, Certified Internal Auditor |
| 4/2006 | CPA, Certified Public Accountant (CA #101286) |

I certify under penalty of perjury that: I have a B.B.A. in Finance, Public Policy, and Law from Gonzaga University - Spokane, WA in 2003. I also obtained a Graduate Certificate in Accounting from the University of Washington – Seattle, WA in 2003. In 2007, I earned a Master’s degree in Public Administration from the University of Illinois - Springfield, IL. I earned a Ph.D. in Public Administration and Public Policy from Auburn University - Auburn, AL in 2011. I hold an active Certified Public Accountant (CPA) license in the State of California #101286, as well as numerous other professional accounting certifications including Certified Internal Auditor (CIA), Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM), and Certified Global Management Accountant (CGMA).

I am currently the owner of my accounting practice, Zender and Associates, wherein I provide tax, accounting, information technology, and financial consulting services to private sector clients including investment banks, law firms, and other business entrepreneurs; as well as municipalities. I also currently serve as a Professor in Accounting at Cal Poly Humboldt, a California State University campus. In my professional capacity, I have published several research articles in academic journals, such as Strategic Finance, Journal of Government Financial Management, Journal of Cases in Educational Leadership, and Treasury Management. Additionally, I have made other intellectual contributions including book chapters and instructional aids for publishers like Palgrave-MacMillan, Cambridge Publishing, and the Institute of Management Accountants within the accounting field.

Moreover, as an evaluator, I am responsible for reviewing academic and experiential qualifications that form part of a candidate's evaluation report, providing a detailed analysis of the academic background and occupational experience that a person has received either inside or outside the United States.

Sincerely,



Joshua R. Zender, Ph.D., CPA Professor of Accounting

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