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### **ACADEMIC BACKGROUND**

Bachelor of Business Administration – Accounting 1994 Iona College, New Rochelle, New York  
Magna Cum Laude  
Masters of Accountancy – Taxation, 2002 University of Tennessee – Knoxville

### **ACADEMIC CAREER**

University of Tennessee-Knoxville Lecturer, 2002 – present

### **NON-ACADEMIC CAREER**

Juan Valades Services Inc. 1996 – present, Tax accountant  
Ellen Oblow CPA PC 1999 – 2001, Staff accountant  
The Way International 1994 – 1996, State Operations Coordinator – Kentucky

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Phi Eta Sigma National Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award, 2009  
Allen H. Keally Outstanding Commitment to Students Award Finalist 2009  
Decosimo Faculty Leadership Award, 2008  
Allen H. Keally Teaching Award 2007  
Finalist Chancellor's Excellence in Teaching Award, University 2006, 2007  
Robert Schoenherr Memorial Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement, Dedication to Purpose, and Humanitarian Concern – 1994  
Delta Epsilon Sigma National Scholastic Honor Society Member - 1994

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Survey of Accounting  
Principles of Financial Accounting  
Principles of Managerial Accounting  
MBA Accounting Prep-course

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Tennessee Society of CPA's  
Tennessee Society of Accounting Educators

### **COLLEGE AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

BETS coordinator for Accounting Department 2009, 2010  
BETS presenter – 2008, 2009, 2010  
Beta Alpha Psi Faculty Advisor 2007 to present  
Committee to Revitalize Beta Alpha Psi 2007  
Delta Sigma Pi Business Fraternity Faculty Advisor 2006 and 2007  
xACT Accounting Issues Competition Faculty Coordinator 2005 - 2007  
College of Business Diversity Committee Taskforce 2005 – 2007  
Department of Accounting representative to Austin-East Highschool Finance Academy  
College of Business Minority Camp Ambassador  
Accounting Interest Meeting Facilitator 2004  
The Way Campus Fellowship Faculty Advisor 2005 - 2008  
Life of the Mind Volunteer 2004, 2006, and 2007  
WaterPolo Club Faculty Advisor 2003 - 2005

**OTHER SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES**

IRS VITA Site Coordinator 2009, 2010

Bearden Highschool Parent Volunteer 2005 - present

University Club, Board of Directors 2004 – 2006

Habitat for Humanity, Organized local Church group to build a home 2005

West Valley Middle School Parent Volunteer 2001 to 2007

Blue Grass Elementary School Parent Volunteer 1996 to 2004

One of the activities I'm most passionate about is my involvement with the student of Beta Alpha Psi. (Accounting, Finance and Information Management Honors Organization.) I'm always looking for ways to help provide out-of-the-classroom experiences that will enhance our students' professional education. To this end, I've partnered with the IRS and CBA to open a VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) site. This included figuring out all the physical logistics, coordinating correspondence, tax-law and tax software education for our students with our IRS Senior Agent and now overseeing the site so students can gain valuable experience working with the public as they prepare their taxes. I even knocked on business doors in the area we are set up in and gave them flyers to advertise that we were there and encourage community participation in this free service so our students would have lots of tax returns to prepare. We are currently preparing taxes on Saturdays and for me this it is a 7am -6pm time commitment. However, you should see the students as they handle "customers" who come in! They are excited to help another member of society with the knowledge they have learned! They are getting experience in an un-pressured environment with customer service, software application, tax law and working in a team environment. It is so good for them and I believe it will be a confidence builder as well as look good on their resume!

The other major event we are working on and have the privilege to oversee is the BAP Southeast Regional Event for 2010. The opportunity for our chapter means our students will be presenters, facilitators, runners and coordinators of a major event attended by schools all over the southeast region. They will gain valuable leadership skills through this experience.

Other activities:

- Mentor Accounting Students through graduation
- Assist Delta Sig and NABA Faculty Advisors with advise
- Coordinate and lead all aspects of student trips outside of class to NYC, Omaha, Nashville, Charlotte
- Council and make calls to help place students in assistantships and with jobs
- Writing endless recommendation letters!

I wasn't sure what else to tell you all, so I've put some letters of appreciation that I've received from individual students, sorority groups and others that I've spoken with, been a faculty advisor for or in some way supported in Dr. Behn's mailbox.

Thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me for selecting me to be a part of this final group of folks!

Karyn Valades