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FEATURE STORIES:

Sisters Stephanie Nguyen (MAcc '22) and Jessica Nguyen (MAcc '22) celebrate graduating from the Master of Accounting (MAcc) program and passing the CPA Common Final Examination (CFE) together

Twin sisters Stephanie and Jessica Nguyen applied to the Accounting and Financial Management (AFM) program together and graduated from the MAcc program last year. They have found full-time roles in their field with Stephanie working at TELUS as a financial analyst and Jessica working at Lipton LLP as a staff accountant.

Our students win first prize at the local CFA Institute Research Challenge

Mentored by Steve Balaban (BMath '06) and Jeannine LiChong (MAcc '92), current students Sonia Balani, Philbert Chan and Jennie Lin won at the 2023 CFA Society Toronto & CFA Society Ottawa Research Challenge on the local level. Each student team member received a thousand-dollar prize as they advance to the sub-regional competition of the CFA Institute Research Challenge.

Krista Fiolleau received best paper award on study in knowledge sharing amongst employees

Krista Fiolleau, PhD, associate professor at the School of Accounting and Finance, and her co-authors Leslie Berger, PhD and Carolyn MacTavish, PhD, associate professors at Wilfrid Laurier, were awarded the Best Paper Award from the Journal of Management Accounting Research (JMAR) for “I know something you don’t know: The effect of relative performance information and the individual performance incentives on knowledge sharing.”

Alba Navarro (MAcc '21) empowers 2SLGBTQIA+ students to bring their authentic selves to school and to the workplace

Alba Navarro (MAcc '21) discusses her career since graduation and how her involvement in community conferences helped her connect with like-minded 2SLGBTQIA+ professionals. She continues to advocate and improve support systems at SAF as an alum who encourages 2SLGBTQIA+ students to be themselves at school and their workplace.

Inter-Collegiate Business Competition (I.C.B.C.) finalists Lakshmi, Sonia and Hufsah apply course concepts and practise their analytical skills

Through building analytical skills during the Student Venture Fund and AFM 433, MAcc students Lakshi and Sonia, and AFM student Hufsah became finalists at the I.C.B.C. business policy event where they used their qualitative and quantitative analysis skills to think of strategic possibilities and future strategies for a college.

Additional Stories:

[Congratulations to Susan Uthakayakumar \(MAcc '95\) and Matthew Roman \(MTax '12\), our 2022](#)

[Alumni Achievement Award and 2022 Young Alumni Award winners](#)

[Candy and Francis Lanois \(MAcc '12\) share their story of finding love on campus](#)

[CFM student named Co-op student of the Year](#)

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