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It's the BEST public accounting firm and I am honored to be a manager and work with such intelligent and caring people

- Sharing my knowledge and passion for accounting to bright and ambitious students each semester at Youngstown State University
- Mentoring students and newer team members at my firm
- Being named 40 under 40 by CPA Practice Advisor in 2019
- Being a member of the 2017 AICPA Leadership Academy
- Speaking for OSCP CPE events as well as Accounting Career Days, Beta Alpha Psi and IMA meetings, and other WCBA happenings
- Having been published in *The Journal of Corporate Accounting & Finance* and *The Journal of Business & Economics Research*
- Presenting at the SAP Next-Gen Conference
- Volunteering and helping to make a difference in my community and beyond

What are you doing to make a difference in the profession, your community, the world – maximum 100 words

- Making a difference to me is all about giving back and investing in the future of the profession. I am blessed to interact with many future CPAs and young professionals through my role as Lecturer at Youngstown State University and involvement with the Ohio Society of CPAs. Providing encouragement and mentorship to them is pivotal. They are the future, and providing opportunities for those that will protect and advance our profession is very rewarding. One example I'm most proud of is jumpstarting a Young CPA group in Youngstown for young professionals to network, gain CPE and volunteer in the community.
- **What websites/magazines do you use to keep up on news of the accounting profession?**
 - *CPA Practice Advisor*

- *Journal of Accountancy*

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is to secure and succeed in a full time, tenure track faculty position at an accredited institution while still remaining active, practicing and consulting in the profession, at SSB.

Favorite books/websites/speakers that you find influential

- I love listening to books on CD while driving in the car, especially those on leadership and personal development. It is a great way to use what I otherwise would consider unproductive time. SUCCESS Magazine is great and I also love to listen to Joel Osteen. Anything by John Maxwell and Jon Gordon is always worthwhile.

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