

KENT RAULSTON

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Instructional Experience

**AACSB Bridge Program Graduate: AACSB International
St. Louis, Missouri**

May 2016

Completed six-day course to promote qualification for Instructional Practitioner status.

Learning objectives included: designing content for teaching and learning; creating effective course goals, objectives, and syllabi; assessing student learning; teaching with the case method; understanding and connecting with today's students; and managing the classroom.

**Adjunct Instructor: The University of Southern Mississippi
Long Beach, Mississippi**

January 2013 – Present

Courses taught include Managerial Accounting, Introduction to Financial Accounting, and Intermediate Financial Accounting II.

Experience is comprised of nine total undergraduate sections taught to date.

Professional Experience

**Director of Finance and Accounting: Multiple Private Companies
Gulfport, Mississippi**

October 2006 – Present

Responsible for all financial functions, including reporting, liquidity and debt management, budgeting, cost accounting, and risk management for sixteen commonly-owned companies primarily in real estate, environmental restoration, construction, and related industries.

Provide analysis and due diligence management for significant private equity transactions.

Implemented companies' budgeting process and coordinate budget process improvement.

Provide financial management for joint-ventures, including creation of seven new companies.

Negotiated and closed significant real estate transaction with publicly-traded finance company.

**Board Member, Corporate Secretary/Treasurer: Hope Academy
Gulfport, Mississippi**

January 2014 – Present

Active in management of newly re-organized private school experiencing stellar growth.

Provide financial supervision for \$3.7M in federal grants and \$6M construction project.

**Associate, Senior Associate: Horne LLP
Jackson, Mississippi**

January 2005 – October 2006

Supervised audit fieldwork in healthcare, manufacturing, not-for-profit, and other industries.

Supervised SOX engagement fieldwork in government-contracting and agriculture industries.

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Certifications & Licenses

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| Chartered Global Management Accountant, Member 4391752 | 2013 |
| Mississippi Real Estate Broker, License 18915 | 2008 |
| Certified Management Accountant, Member 1095918 – Worldwide Bronze Medal | 2007 |
| Certified Public Accountant, License 5759 – Mississippi Gold Medal | 2006 |

Education

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| Master of Business Administration | May 2013 |
| The University of Southern Mississippi – Long Beach, Mississippi | 4.0 GPA |
| Dean's Graduate Excellence Award 2012-2013 | |
| Outstanding Graduate Student Award 2011-2012 | |
| Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with Major in Accounting | May 2004 |
| The University of Southern Mississippi – Hattiesburg, Mississippi | 4.0 GPA |
| Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Key (Highest GPA in College of Business) | |
| Fred D. Kenamond Accounting Scholarship 2003-2004 | |
| Mississippi Society of CPAs Scholarship 2002-2003 | |
| Thornton-Abbott Accounting Scholarship 2002-2003 | |
| Perfect score on national standardized exit exam for business majors | |

Community Involvement

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| Assistant Treasurer: First Baptist Church Gulfport, Mississippi | October 2008 – Present |
| Serve on Finance, Budget Planning, and Building Design committees. | |
| Served as Budget Planning Committee Chairman for nearly \$2M annual budget for two years during economic recession, change of church leadership, and church relocation. | |
| Treasurer, Board Member: Gulf Coast Community Ministries | October 2008 – March 2011 |
| Provided financial guidance for non-profit corporation offering food pantry, free walk-in medical clinic, clothes closet, and adult literacy classes. | |

Personal Interests & Hobbies

Fishing, Running, Reading