



# Tressa Lacy

## Accounting Instructor



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### PROFILE

I am a student-focused accounting instructor with four years of combined teaching experience at the University of Washington Tacoma and Brigham Young University Idaho. I have a commitment to student engagement, accessible course materials, integrating real-world case studies, and inviting industry professionals into the classroom to enhance learning. I hold a Master of Accountancy degree from the University of Washington with Summa Cum Laude honors. Additionally, I am a futuristic leader who has founded and managed organizations focused on gender equality and refugee empowerment. With a robust background in professional service and mentorship, I am recognized for significant contributions to the field with numerous awards and honors.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Part-Time Lecturer

**University of Washington Tacoma  
Milgard School of Business | 2023 - Present**

- Designed accessible courses in Canvas, ensuring compatibility with assistive technologies.
- Implemented a flipped classroom approach to enhance student engagement and critical thinking.
- Collaborated with Disney executives to create a revenue recognition case study for students.
- Hosted industry professionals weekly to provide insights and facilitate students' transition into professional roles.

#### Remote Adjunct Accounting Faculty

**Brigham Young University Idaho | 2020 - Present**

- Authored course textbook and teaching materials.
- Designed curriculum around real-world problems to enhance critical thinking and analytical skills.
- Provided personalized support to address cultural and learning differences.
- Incorporated Excel programming with immediate feedback for financial data analysis.

### COURSES TAUGHT

ACCOUNTING 303/503:  
Intermediate Accounting III

ACCOUNTING 311:  
Cost Accounting

ACCOUNTING 202:  
Principles of Managerial  
Accounting

ACCOUNTING 201:  
Financial Accounting

ACCOUNTING 100:  
Introduction to Accounting

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### Founder and VP of Administration Undaunted Women | 2020 – 2023

- Developed mission, vision, values, and financial infrastructure.
- Established organizational structure and managed teams.
- Raised funds for financial stability and support.
- Provided tailored mentorship and support for refugee women.
- Evaluated program effectiveness and implemented improvements.

### President

#### Tressa Accounting and Business Solutions, LLC | 2012 – 2020

- Managed multimillion-dollar grant, ensuring compliance and accountability.
- Managed payroll, vendor payments, and contractor invoicing.
- Conducted QuickBooks training for business clients.
- Drafted Indirect Cost Rate Proposals.
- Produced financial reports to support grant funding renewals.

### Accountant

- **Tax Preparer**
  - Liberty Tax Services | 2012-2013
- **Internal Auditor**
  - Union Bank | 2006-2007
- **Banking Professional**
  - Zions Bank | 2005-2006
  - Frontier Bank | 2003-2005
  - Bank of Idaho | 2002-2003

## VOLUNTEER SERVICE

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- **Internal Auditor** | The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints | Santa Clarita Stake | 2023- Present
- **Secretary** | Institute of Management Accountants | Pacific Northwest Regional Council | 2019- Present
- **Mentor** | Graduate Accounting Mentorship Program | Milgard School of Business | 2020-Present
- **Mentor Coordinator** | Zonta International, District 9 | Santa Clarita Valley Z Club | 2021-Present

## EDUCATION

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### University of Washington Tacoma Campus

Master of Accountancy  
GPA 3.94 – Summa Cum Laude

### Brigham Young University Idaho Campus

Bachelor of Science in  
Accounting  
GPA 3.678 – Cum Laude

## CERTIFICATIONS

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### Fresno Pacific University

Certificate in Online Teaching &  
Design

## PUBLICATIONS

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ACCOUNTING TEXTBOOK:  
Accounting Made Simple, 2021

MEMOIR:  
Lumberjack Girl, TBA