



# 2021-2022 COMMITTEES



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**DEADLINE: APRIL 23, 2021**

Serving on an FICPA committee is an excellent opportunity for you to network with your peers from around the state, and it enables you to play an influential role in shaping the future of your profession. Committee membership is open to the following types of FICPA members in good standing:

- Voting
- Non-Resident
- Accounting Educator
- Associate
- Retired
- Lifetime

Most committees have one or more meetings and/or conference calls during the course of the year in which members are expected to participate.

**\* If you currently serve on a committee and wish to continue to serve next year, please complete the sign-up form.**

## FICPA COMMITTEE POLICIES

### Code of Conduct

By accepting appointment to a committee, members agree to observe and promote the highest standards of ethical conduct in the performance of their responsibilities on a committee.

### Reimbursement

Travel, telephone, mailing costs, and other expenses incidental to committee meetings are personal obligations of the member. Such obligations should be recognized when accepting a committee appointment.

### Conference Planning Committee Responsibilities

Conference planning committees will be provided a listing of committee members' responsibilities and expectations.

### FICPA Reimbursement Policy

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## GROUPS WITHIN FICPA CONNECT!



Groups are private, member-driven online communities for networking, knowledge sharing, and professional development in specific practice areas. FICPA members can join any of eight online communities at any time at [ficpa.org](https://connect.ficpa.org).

**To enroll in a Group, visit <https://connect.ficpa.org/home>.**

***Application Deadline: April 23, 2021***

### 424 – Accounting Careers and Education Committee

Provide knowledge on accounting career opportunities to support student success and foster relations between colleges and universities through creative and effective outreach initiatives. Develop accounting career programs to attract college students to become Certified Public Accountants. Develop programs to support accounting educators with career development, academia needs and interaction with CPA professionals. Provide resources to foster relationships between educators and practitioners.

**Commitment level:** One meeting and two conference calls.

**Staff liaison:** Jennifer Allen & Monica Davila | [emergpro@ficpa.org](mailto:emergpro@ficpa.org)

### 107 – Accounting Principles and Auditing Standards Committee

Study, review and comment on outstanding exposure drafts issued by various professional-standard-setting bodies.

**Commitment Level:** Five to six meetings.

**Staff Liaison:** Paul Brown | [paul@ficpa.org](mailto:paul@ficpa.org)

### 260 – Business Technology Committee

Provide Florida CPAs with knowledge about technology and the tools available to enhance their practice and assist their clients. Prepare articles for Florida CPA Today Magazine and the FICPA website.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | [diane@ficpa.org](mailto:diane@ficpa.org)

### 121 – CIRA Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference alternating between Fort Lauderdale and Orlando that assists members in becoming more technically proficient in accounting, tax, consultation and certain operational matters related to Florida's CIRA industry by sharing valuable, timely information. Submit legislative policy recommendations to the State Legislative Policy Committee, review pending legislation affecting CIRAs and provide comments to appropriate entities, as necessary. Portions of this conference are livestreamed.

In November or December, the committee holds a meeting with the Department of Business and Professions liaisons, alternating between Ft. Lauderdale and Tallahassee.

**Conference Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | [mia@ficpa.org](mailto:mia@ficpa.org)

**Legislative Commitment Level:** One meeting and conference call.

**Staff Liaison:** Justin Thames | [justin@ficpa.org](mailto:justin@ficpa.org)

### 134 – Construction Industry Conference Committee

Plan and present a one-day conference in Orlando for those working in the construction industry.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | [mia@ficpa.org](mailto:mia@ficpa.org)

### 180 – CFO and Controller Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference held in Orlando with a focus on business acumen, business challenges, and proficiency in accounting and tax matters related to Florida's industry. Portions of this conference are livestreamed.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | [mia@ficpa.org](mailto:mia@ficpa.org)

### 141 – Editorial Committee

#### *(Florida CPA Today Magazine)*

Suggest topics and issues affecting Florida's accounting profession for publication in Florida CPA Today Magazine. Perform editorial reviews and provide guidance to article authors.

The Editorial Committee may or may not have vacancies from year to year. If interested in serving, contact the staff liaison listed below.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting, three conference calls and email correspondence.

**Staff Liaison:** Nick Menta | [nick@ficpa.org](mailto:nick@ficpa.org)

### 142 – Employee Benefits Conference Committee

Plan and present the Employee Benefits Conference at the Mega CPE Conference in Orlando. This conference is livestreamed.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | [mia@ficpa.org](mailto:mia@ficpa.org)

### 155 – Federal Taxation Committee

Monitor federal tax activity and provide comments to appropriate entities, as necessary. Work with the IRS to plan agendas and presentations for programs such as the liaison meeting. Prepare the Legislator's Tax Guide and write articles for *Florida CPA Today Magazine* and the FICPA website.

**Commitment Level:** Two meetings and occasional conference calls.

**Staff Liaison:** Mike Holland | [mike@ficpa.org](mailto:mike@ficpa.org)

### 103 – FICPA Florida CPA Summit

Recommends sessions and speakers in the areas of hot topics. Formerly the Accounting and Business Show, this two-day event is designed to meet the specific needs of South Florida CPAs and other finance professionals. Portions of the conference will be livestreamed. One planning call, followed by one-on-one committee member discussion. Exhibit and Learning Lab components.

**Commitment level:** All meetings are conducted online or via conference call.

**Staff liaison:** Diane Major | [diane@ficpa.org](mailto:diane@ficpa.org)

### 112 – Florida Cannabis Conference Committee

Plan and present a one-day conference in South Florida for those working or interested in the medical cannabis industry.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and two conference calls.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | [diane@ficpa.org](mailto:diane@ficpa.org)

### 165 – Florida Gulf Coast University Accounting & Tax Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference in Fort Myers, with a focus on hot topics, trends and updates.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | [mia@ficpa.org](mailto:mia@ficpa.org)

### 172 – Florida State University Accounting Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference at Florida State University in Tallahassee. Portions of this conference are livestreamed.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and two conference calls.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | [diane@ficpa.org](mailto:diane@ficpa.org)

### 178 – Health Care Industry Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference in Orlando, with a focus on CPAs working within the scope of health care, including but not limited to physician practice management, managed care, and health plans. Portions of this conference are livestreamed. Exhibit component.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and one to two conference calls, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | [diane@ficpa.org](mailto:diane@ficpa.org)

### 181 – International Taxation Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference and a one-day boot camp in Miami in collaboration with the Florida Bar Tax Section. This conference is livestreamed. Prepare articles for *Florida CPA Today* Magazine and the FICPA website. Review FICPA-developed CPE manuals related to international taxation for technical accuracy.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | mia@ficpa.org

### 235 – Not-For-Profit Organizations Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference held in Tampa, with a focus on accounting, auditing and reporting for not-for-profit organizations. Portions of this conference are livestreamed.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | mia@ficpa.org

### 318 – State Legislative Policy Committee

Discuss revisions to Florida accountancy laws and rules, develop proposed legislative policies, coordinate with FICPA committees on potential legislative issues and review pending legislation affecting the CPA profession. Prepare summaries for legislative positions and submit recommendations for the legislative agenda for the Executive Committee and Board of Governors' consideration.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and two conference calls.

**Staff Liaison:** Justin Thames | justin@ficpa.org

### 292 – State and Local Government Committee

Plan and present the two-day State and Local Government Accounting Conference in Orlando, enhance knowledge and promote excellence among members interested in state and local government accounting, auditing and other related issues. This conference is livestreamed.

Submit legislative policy recommendations to the State Legislative Policy Committee, review pending legislation affecting state and local governments and provide comments to appropriate entities, as necessary.

**Conference Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | mia@ficpa.org

**Legislative Commitment Level:** One meeting with several committee conference calls.

**Staff Liaison:** Justin Thames | justin@ficpa.org

### 322 – State Tax Committee

Plan and present the State Tax Flex Track at the Mega CPE Conference held in Orlando and provide state taxation professionals with opportunities for knowledge sharing, professional development and advocacy on Florida-specific tax issues. In November or December, the committee holds a meeting with the Department of Revenue liaisons in Tallahassee. Submit legislative policy recommendations to the State Legislative Policy Committee, review pending legislation affecting state tax and provide comments to appropriate entities, as necessary.

**Conference Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | diane@ficpa.org

**Legislative Commitment Level:** One meeting with several committee conference calls

**Staff Liaison:** Justin Thames | justin@ficpa.org

## 175 – University of Florida Accounting Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-and-a-half-day conference at the University of Florida in Gainesville.

This conference is livestreamed.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and conference call, as needed.

**Staff Liaison:** Mia Thomas | mia@ficpa.org

## 335 – University of South Florida Accounting Conference Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference in Tampa with the assistance of faculty from the University of South Florida.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | diane@ficpa.org

## 189 – Valuation, Forensic Accounting and Litigation Services Committee

Plan and present a two-day conference in Fort Lauderdale, with a focus on all areas of valuation, forensic accounting and litigation services. Portions of this conference are livestreamed.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and one conference call.

**Staff Liaison:** Diane Major | diane@ficpa.org

## 450 – Women in Leadership Committee

Develop, promote and recognize women in accounting through professional development and mentoring. Attend one in-person meeting; plan and attend the Women in Leadership Summit, and participate in at least one subcommittee from the following list.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and nine conference calls.

**Staff liaison:** Debra Kelly | debra@ficpa.org

**Subcommittees For Women In Leadership Committee:** Please select at least one.

### 450-01- WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT SPEAKER SUBCOMMITTEE

Plan the event's agenda and secure speakers.

**Commitment Level:** Work begins in July and

ends when all speakers are secured for the June summit (typically in February).

### 450-02 - WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT SPONSORSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

Secure sponsors for the summit and assist with ideas to attract sponsorships.

**Commitment Level:** Work begins in July and ends when all sponsors are secured for the June summit (typically a yearlong commitment).

### 450-03 - WOMEN TO WATCH AWARDS SUBCOMMITTEE

Organize the Women to Watch Awards, determine the criteria for awards categories and evaluate qualified nominees for each category.

**Commitment Level:** Award preparation begins in November with nominations accepted from Dec. 15 through Jan. 15. Peak member involvement is Feb. 15 through May 15, when nominations are evaluated.

## 428 – Young CPAs Committee

Promote young CPA participation by coordinating social, educational and philanthropic activities in local chapter areas and throughout the state with outreach to other young CPAs, local professionals and accounting students. Plan, promote and participate in a CPA Day of Service event in local areas. Provide feedback for the Emerging Leaders Program.

**Commitment Level:** One meeting and two conference calls.

**Staff liaison:** Jennifer Allen & Monica Davila | emergpro@ficpa.org

## FICPA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

### Scholarship Foundation Board Of Trustees

The mission of the 501(c)(3) foundation is to provide scholarships to accounting students in the state of Florida. We encourage FICPA members to become active in fundraising, events and marketing to help provide scholarships by serving a one-year term on a foundation committee. Foundation committees are a great way to get connected and give back to the future of our profession. All committees meet via conference call, and members are provided a toll-free phone number to connect to the calls. Committee members are not required to meet in person but should plan on participating on all conference calls and on volunteering at any event or activity planned by the committee.

**Members of the following committees will serve for a one-year term.**

**Staff liaison for all committees below:** TBD

### 609 – Fundraising

The Fundraising Committee's role is to support the overall goals of raising funds to ensure the financial viability and stability of the organization. Partner with staff to oversee a viable fundraising plan to establish, analyze and strategize the most effective ways to raise funds. Establish a fundraising plan that incorporates a series of appropriate vehicles, such as special events, campaigns, planned giving, etc. Assist with identifying possible major donors, from corporations to individuals. Garner sponsorship support for all events. Take the lead in certain types of outreach efforts, such as chairing and/or serving on an event committee or hosting fundraising parties, etc. Monitor fundraising efforts to be sure that ethical practices are in place, that donors are acknowledged appropriately, and that fundraising efforts are cost-effective.

**Commitment Level:** Monthly conference calls, as needed.

**Liaison:** Laura Cutchens | [laura@ficpa.org](mailto:laura@ficpa.org)

### 601 – Marketing And Public Relations Committee

The Marketing and Public Relations Committee's role is to support overall, comprehensive marketing and communications strategy. Partner with staff to oversee a consistent and active communication strategy to all stakeholders for the purposes of program messaging, fundraising, awareness and branding. Contribute expertise to assist staff in establishing organizational marketing, branding and communication plans and initiatives. Build on current brand and develop creative market outreach programs that will drive new partners and friends. Advise staff on strategies and development for various marketing communications channels and web presences including, social media, newsletter, public relations, website and printed collateral. Maintain and build relationships with key industry partners and members of the press in conjunction with staff efforts. Identify key speaking engagements for staff and community to help market and brand the foundation.

**Commitment Level:** Monthly conference calls, as needed.

**Liaison:** Laura Cutchens | [laura@ficpa.org](mailto:laura@ficpa.org)

### 610 – Programs

The Program Committee's role is to evaluate existing programs, oversee program expansion or development, and facilitate conversations about its programs. Oversee the existing scholarship program, its timeline, processes and funding. Evaluate additional programs to enhance its commitment FICPA scholars, including mentorship. Determine appropriate program to engage alumni with the foundation.

**Commitment Level:** Monthly conference calls, as needed.

**Liaison:** Laura Cutchens | [laura@ficpa.org](mailto:laura@ficpa.org)





## SIGN UP TODAY!

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If you choose to complete the following form by hand, please mail or fax using the information below.

**MAIL:**

Florida Institute of CPAs  
3800 Esplanade Way, Suite 210,  
Tallahassee, FL 32311

**FAX:**

(850) 222-8190

**QUESTIONS?**

Call (800) 342-3197 or (850) 224-2727 and ask for the staff liaison listed beneath the committee of interest.

## 2021/22 FICPA COMMITTEE REQUEST FORM

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 23, 2021**

### Committee Requests

Code Number and Committee Name

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Because some committees have limited openings, please list your committee selections in order of preference. We will do our best to accommodate.*

### Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ FICPA Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Email addresses are required for committee participation.

Please check if the address above is an update to current data on file with the FICPA.

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