



*Rhode Island  
Association  
of  
Accounting Professors*

**2021 ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE**

**Friday, November 5, 2021**

**Chelo's Hometown Grille**

**2225 Post Road, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886**

**AGENDA**

12:00 – 12:30 Registration, Hot Buffet Luncheon & Publishers Exhibit

12:30 – 1:20 **CPA Evolution Initiative – The Future 2.0**  
Melissa Travis - President/CEO, RISCPA/RI Business Forum,  
Vice Chair, RI Business Coalition

1:20 – 1:35 Break – Publishers Exhibit

1:35 – 2:35 **Critical Thinking Skills: Helping Students Develop the  
Skill Set Needed for Professional Success**

**Enhancing Critical Thinking Through the Use of Data Analytics**  
Gene Kovacs, PhD – Visiting Professor of Accounting, Bryant University

**Encouraging Critical Thinking in Introductory Accounting Courses**  
Sydnee Manley, PhD, CPA – Assistant Professor of Accountancy,  
Providence College

2:35 – 2:45 Break – Publishers Exhibit

2:45 – 3:20 **CPA Model Curriculum Insights and Resources**  
Joseph D'Adamo, MBA, CPA - Assistant Professor of Accounting,  
Bridgewater State University

3:20 – 3:50 **Take-aways from Teaching During a Pandemic: Interactive Discussion**  
Patricia Conn Ryan, DBA, CPA - Associate Professor of Accounting,  
Johnson & Wales University

3:50 – 4:00 **RISCPA Raffle** (must be present to win)

PLEASE POST THIS INFORMATION AND SHARE WITH NEW & ADJUNCT FACULTY  
This Session Provides **3 Credit Hours** of CPE in **Specialized Knowledge**



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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: **Thursday, October 21, 2021**

NOTE: For the health and safety of our members,  
**ATTENDEES WILL BE LIMITED TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN VACCINATED.**

Please complete the info below, enclose this page  
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	<b>Amount</b>
Conference Fee	\$40.00*
*includes lunch	

To ensure an accurate count for the luncheon your prompt response is appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2021 Fall Conference!

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