

Jeffrey Nickell, MACC '98, Receives 2009 Outstanding Young Alumni Award



Mark Nouss, President of UF Alumni Association Board of Directors presents Outstanding Young Alumni Award to Jeffrey Nickell (right).

On April 18, 2009, the University of Florida Alumni Association held its 4th Annual Outstanding Young Alumni breakfast at Emerson Alumni Hall to honor recipients of the 2009 Outstanding Young Alumni Award. This award was established to recognize Gators who have distinguished themselves in business, community or service and are age 40 and younger. Recipients were also invited to attend an annual barbecue prior to the Orange & Blue game, and to sit in the President's Box for the game. FSOA alumnus Jeffrey Nickell, MACC 1998, was one of the recipients honored this year.

Since 2007, Jeffrey Nickell has been serving a two-year Practice Fellowship with the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). This highly competitive and visible role requires frequent interaction with the FASB Board members, IASB Board members, members of the

SEC staff, technical leaders from the largest accounting firms, and some of the largest companies in the world. In this role, he researches and advises the FASB on implementation and emerging practice issues relating to business combinations, fair value measurements, consolidations including FIN 46R, and leasing.

Prior to joining the FASB, Mr. Nickell was selected for Deloitte & Touche's Management Development Program. He spent one year as a senior manager in the Quality Assurance group of Deloitte's National Office. His responsibilities included consulting with engagement teams regarding, among other matters, restatements of financial statements of public entities and possible fraud or illegal acts. At the end of his two year fellowship he will return to Deloitte's National Office.

Prior to joining the Quality Assurance group, Jeff spent two years in Deloitte's National Office Accounting Services group, where he specialized in advising Deloitte's largest and most prestigious clients on leasing transactions, business combinations, and consolidations. His responsibilities also included consulting with practice offices on the appropriate application of GAAP, assisting with the issuance of related firm guidance, and monitoring the standard-setting process. He also made numerous presentations to state CPA societies, Deloitte practice offices, and industry trade groups on technical accounting matters.

Before joining the Atlanta office of Deloitte, where he served Southern Company, Mr. Nickell spent five years in the audit practice of Arthur Andersen.

Mr. Nickell holds a Masters Degree and a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from the University of Florida. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the states of Georgia and Connecticut.