

THE ACCOUNTING STEREOTYPE- TIME FOR A CHANGE

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ABSTRACT

Research evidence indicates that the accounting profession continues to attract personality characteristics associated with the stereotypic accountant. Findings based on the Myer-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), that measures personality traits showed a predominance of a certain personality type, ISTJ, both in accounting students and practitioners. This research extends previous literature by focusing on the interaction of student ethnic backgrounds and personality preferences. Results of the study will be discussed as well as implications for preparing the accounting workforce for the 21st century.