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Karthik Ramanna is Professor of Business & Public Policy at the University of Oxford's Blavatnik School of Government and a fellow of [St. John's College](#). He teaches a popular course at Oxford on managing organisations in polarised times, which led to his 2024 book [The Age of Outrage](#).

An expert on business-government relations, sustainable capitalism, and corporate reporting & auditing, Professor Ramanna studies how organisations and leaders build trust with stakeholders. His scholarship has won numerous awards, including the *Journal of Accounting & Economics* Best Paper Prize, the *Harvard Business Review*-McKinsey Prize for “groundbreaking management thinking,” and three times the international Case Centre's prizes for “outstanding case-writing,” dubbed by the *Financial Times* as “the business school Oscars.”

At Oxford, Professor Ramanna established the [Case Centre on Public Leadership](#) and the [Transformational Leadership Fellowship](#), the latter a bespoke, by-invitation programme for senior leaders looking to reimagine their public-service impact. In 2022, he co-founded the non-profit [E-ledgers Institute](#), where he serves as principal investigator, with a mission to drive innovations in energy efficiency through rigorous emissions accounting. From 2016 to 2023, he was director of Oxford's [Master of Public Policy](#) programme that has educated over a thousand public leaders from about 120 countries. From July 2023 to April 2025, Professor Ramanna was on partial public-service leave from Oxford to advise the US Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, an “auditor of auditors” in global markets. Since November 2025, he has served as co-chair of the International Chamber of Commerce's [Technical Expert Panel](#) on Carbon Accounting, co-hosted by the Carbon Measures Association.

Previously, he was a professor and the Marvin Bower Fellow at [Harvard Business School](#), teaching leadership, corporate governance, and accounting in both the MBA and senior executive-education programmes. He has a doctorate from [MIT's Sloan School of Management](#). He lives in Oxford with his husband, Jon, and they enjoy dinner parties and touring [Caravaggios](#).

Citizenships: United States and United Kingdom.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

2007: D.Phil., Sloan School of Management; *Thesis Title*: The Implications of Unverifiable Fair-value Accounting (Winner, American Accounting Association FARS Best Dissertation Award).

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Full-time faculty from 2007 to 2016: Professor (Assistant, then Associate), Harvard Business School; Henry B. Arthur Fellow in Ethics; Marvin Bower Fellowship for Innovative Research. *Select Teaching Assignments*: Leadership and Corporate Accountability (Executive Education and MBA); Financial Reporting and Control (MBA); Finance for Senior Executives (Executive Education). (Honorary appointment as Visiting Scholar from 2016 to 2020.)

University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

Since 2016: Professor of Business and Public Policy; Fellow, St. John's College.

Select Administrative Assignments and Highlights:

Variously, Director of the Oxford MPP, Founding Director of the Oxford Transformational Leadership Fellowship, Founding Director of the Oxford Case Centre on Public Leadership; Member of the Finance, Investments, and Wine Committees – St. John's College.

- Responsible for the overall strategy and operation of the Oxford MPP (2016-2023) – one of the most globally and experientially diverse leadership programmes in the world, with about 140 candidates annually from about 70 jurisdictions, ranging from 21 to 51 years of age, including Rhodes Scholars and government ministers
- Founded the Transformational Leadership Fellowship, an executive-development programme for very senior leaders looking to reimagine their public-service impact (participants have included national heads of government and Fortune 500 CxOs)
- Founded (via independent fundraising) the Oxford Case Centre on Public Leadership, to enable faculty to develop cases that integrate scholarship and teaching (>25K downloads)
- Introduced several curricular innovations in teaching and assessment to help diverse teams forge unlikely coalitions – including coursework on active listening, empathy, and problem solving (for summaries, see *Times* article “Healing Fractured Societies”)
- Co-led the COVID-19 crisis response in MPP academic programming and student welfare; Developed an “active admissions strategy” to secure student quality and numbers in the face of the pandemic, resulting in over 20% increase in tuition revenues for 2020-21 and a 25% increase in applications for 2021-22, one of the highest jumps across Oxford programmes

The E-ledgers Institute, San Rafael, CA

Since 2022: Co-founder and Principal Investigator. The [E-ledgers Institute](#) (formally, E-liability Institute) is a 501c3 non-profit that I established to advance learning on rigorous emissions accounting. The organisation is funded entirely by philanthropy that I helped raise, and it works pro bono with companies, governments, and non-profits to pilot dynamic accounting methods to drive innovations in energy and process efficiency. We then disseminate the results of these pilots and their broader implications to catalyse systems change.

Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, Washington, DC

July 2023 to April 2025: Senior Adviser. The PCAOB essentially serves as the audit industry's regulator, and I advised the Board on various issues, such as the use of AI and investments from PE in auditing. Based on my prior scholarship, I have been described as one of the audit industry's "fiercest" critics by the leading professional association for accountancy, but I have also worked with industry players on strategic transformation to reduce audit errors.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM SCHOLARSHIP

My scholarship broadly covers three themes. Below are some questions addressed in my work.

Leadership and management

- What new skills, strategies, and alliances do organisational leaders need to cultivate in today's deeply polarized societies – see, e.g., *HBR* book and article on the "Age of Outrage"
- How do leaders build momentum for reform in risk-averse organisations and systems – see, e.g., case studies on COVID crisis management at Oxford Hospitals, financial-governance at the Vatican, and China's media entrepreneurs at *Caijing*
- How can resource-constrained government agencies attract and develop a high-quality, high-integrity workforce in the face of labour-market competition from the private sector – see, e.g., case studies on US Southern District of New York and US Private Company Council

Accounting, auditing, and governance

- What accounting and non-financial reporting practices improve firms' access to capital markets, and what are the implications for governance regulation – see, e.g., *Political Standards* book and *HBR* article on accounting prudence
- How can firms improve non-financial accounting practices to better meet demands of investors, customers, regulators, and activists – see, e.g., *HBR* articles "Accounting for Climate Change" and "Accounting for Carbon Offsets" and *PwC* report "From Confusion to Clarity"
- How can auditors and other governance intermediaries navigate the conflicts of interest inherent in their model – see, e.g., public reports on "Building a Culture of Challenge in Audit Firms" and the "Governance Playbook for Climate Standard-Setting"

Role of business in society

- How must capitalism change in the face of declining public support in Western societies – see, e.g., articles in *American Interest* "Should America Still Believe in Free Markets?" and *Fortune* "Why do attempts at reforming capitalism fail?"
- What is the responsibility of corporate managers in setting "rules of the game" for market societies – see, e.g., *CMR* articles on "Thin Political Markets" and "[Milton] Friedman at 50"
- How can global firms navigate conflicting expectations of them in different jurisdictions, for instance, workplace protection and empowerment of women & LGBT individuals in jurisdictions where these contravene local customs and laws – see, e.g., case studies on IKEA in Saudi Arabia and *HBR* article on mentoring gay employees at Korean multinationals

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Books

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- *Political Standards: Corporate Interest, Ideology, and Leadership in the Shaping of Accounting Rules for the Market Economy*, The University of Chicago Press, 2015.
 - Reviews: MacArthur Award-winning historian Jake Soll described it as “prodigiously researched,” former US Treasury Secretary Larry Summers called it an “important book,” and best-selling author Luigi Zingales declared it “a must-read.”

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