**Paul Dionne**

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Paul brings a wealth of strategic-level thinking, research expertise, and intercultural translation skills to Filene’s research team. Paul helps guide Filene’s research program and outputs, serving as the “conductor” who helps keep everything (and everyone) running in beautiful synchrony. Paul is most excited about translating cutting-edge research insights into actionable steps for credit unions, especially when those actions support members who find themselves in financially vulnerable circumstances.

Before joining Filene, Paul served in higher education with contributions to research, teaching, grant writing, institutional transformation, and student success. Most of this work centered on diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. Paul pursued graduate studies in cultural anthropology at the University of North Carolina, focusing on international development programs and agricultural cooperatives in Indonesia. He is currently working towards an MBA at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.