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## Education

### University of California, Santa Barbara

Ph.D. Materials

Advisor: Prof. Anton Van der Ven

GPA: 4.0

2017–Present

### Harvey Mudd College

B.S. Physics

Graduate with High Distinction, Departmental Honors in Physics and Humanities

GPA: 3.9

2013–2017

## Research Experience

### University of California, Santa Barbara

*Graduate Student Researcher*

Studying materials for “beyond-Li-ion” batteries using first-principles statistical mechanics methods

Sep. 2017–Present

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

*Academic Cooperation Participant*

Molecular dynamics simulation to probe non-equilibrium properties of hydrogen storage materials

Jun. 2019–Sep. 2019

### Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque

*Harvey Mudd College Physics-Engineering Clinic Team Member*

Finite element modeling of ceramic nanoparticles in composites for capacitor applications

Sep. 2016–May 2017

### UNSW Sydney, Australia

*Materials Science Research Assistant*

Atomistic modeling of mechanical properties to aid development of multicomponent metallic alloys

May–Aug. 2015, 2016

## Awards

Best Oral Presentation Award, Materials Research Society Spring Meeting

2021

U.S. Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship

2017–Present

Jon A. Wunderlich Prize for Creative Achievement in Physics, Harvey Mudd College

2017

Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

2016–2017

Jude and Eileen Laspa Fellowship in Applied Mechanics, Harvey Mudd College

2015–2017

National Merit Scholarship

2013–2017

## Publications

8. **J. L. Kaufman** and A. Van der Ven. [Antiphase boundary migration as a diffusion mechanism in a P<sub>3</sub> sodium layered oxide](#). *Physical Review Materials* 5, 055401 (2021). Editors' Suggestion.
7. E. Hwang, E. Cuddy, J. Lin, **J. L. Kaufman**, A. Shaw, P. L. J. Conway, A. Pribram-Jones, K. J. Laws, and L. Bassman. [Predicting ductility in quaternary B<sub>2</sub>-like alloys](#). *Physical Review Materials* 5, 033604 (2021).
6. **J. L. Kaufman** and A. Van der Ven. [Ordering and structural transformations in layered K<sub>x</sub>CrO<sub>2</sub> for K-ion batteries](#). *Chemistry of Materials* 32, 6392–6400 (2020).
5. **J. L. Kaufman**, J. Vinckevičiūtė, S. K. Kolli, J. G. Goiri, and A. Van der Ven. [Understanding intercalation compounds for sodium-ion batteries and beyond](#). *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society A* 377, 20190020 (2019).
4. M. Y. Toriyama, **J. L. Kaufman**, and A. Van der Ven. [Potassium ordering and structural phase stability in layered K<sub>x</sub>CoO<sub>2</sub>](#). *ACS Applied Energy Materials* 2, 2629–2636 (2019).
3. **J. L. Kaufman** and A. Van der Ven. [Na<sub>x</sub>CoO<sub>2</sub> phase stability and hierarchical orderings in the O<sub>3</sub>/P<sub>3</sub> structure family](#). *Physical Review Materials* 3, 015402 (2019).
2. **J. L. Kaufman**, S. H. Tan, K. Lau, A. Shah, R. G. Gambee, C. Gage, L. MacIntosh, A. Dato, P. N. Saeta, R. C. Haskell, and T. C. Monson. [Permittivity effects of particle agglomeration in ferroelectric ceramic-epoxy composites using finite element modeling](#). *AIP Advances* 8, 125020 (2018).
1. **J. L. Kaufman**, G. S. Pomrehn, A. Pribram-Jones, R. Mahjoub, M. Ferry, K. J. Laws, and L. Bassman. [Stacking fault energies of nondilute binary alloys using special quasirandom structures](#). *Physical Review B* 95, 094112 (2017).

## Presentations

4. **DOE CSGF Program Review**. *First-principles thermodynamics and kinetics of layered intercalation compounds for “beyond Li-ion” batteries*. Jul. 21, 2021. Virtual.
3. **Materials Research Society Spring Meeting**. *Hierarchical intercalant orderings in layered oxides for Na- and K-ion battery electrodes*. Apr. 21, 2021. Virtual. Best Oral Presentation Award.
2. **Gordon Research Conference: Batteries**. *Modeling structural evolution in layered cathode materials for Na- and K-ion batteries*. Poster. Feb. 17–18, 2020. Ventura, CA.
1. **Materials Research Society Spring Meeting**. *Structural phase transitions and intercalant ordering in layered Na- and K-ion cathode materials*. Apr. 23, 2019. Phoenix, AZ.

## Teaching

**University of California, Santa Barbara**

Sep.–Dec. 2018

*Materials Teaching Assistant*

Teaching assistant for *Introduction to Quantum Mechanics for Materials* (MATRL 289A)

**Harvey Mudd College**

May 2015–May 2017

*Physics Academic Excellence Program Facilitator*

Lead tutoring workshops for students in Special Relativity, Mechanics and Electromagnetism courses