

# Andrew McAllister

*PhD in Applied Physics, science communicator*

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## Summary

- Goal** A career where I can use my technical expertise to work on understand complicated problems facing society and then communicate those efforts (and possible solutions) to a wide variety of audiences.
- Analytical Thinking** A PhD in applied physics with specific expertise in materials science, nanotechnology, energy efficiency, and high performance computing.
- Communication** Sought out specific training and experiences presenting to, writing for and working with diverse audiences throughout my PhD.

## Education

- Expected:** **PhD in Applied Physics**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI.  
**August 2018** Relevant Coursework:
  - Public Policy 650 – Introduction to Science and Technology Policy Analysis
  - Engineering 580 – Teaching Engineering
- 2012** **B.S. in Physics**, *Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*, Troy, NY.  
Magna cum laude, dual major in mathematics

## Work Experience

- June-August 2013** **Computational Chemistry and Materials Science Fellow**,  
*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*, Livermore, CA.

## Awards

- 2014** National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program
- 2012** [Nadia Trinkala Service Award \[Link for Verification\]](#), Rensselaer Physics Department
- 2010** [Founder's Award of Excellence \[Link for Verification\]](#), Rensselaer Physics Department
- 2008** Boy Scouts of America, Eagle Scout

## Computer Skills

Software: Microsoft Office, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Basic Knowledge of Adobe Illustrator and Adobe InDesign

Programming: Python, Fortran, C++, Matlab, Shell, Git

High Performance Computing Codes: VASP, QuantumEspresso, Wannier90, BerkeleyGW

Further details and proficiencies available on request.

## Leadership

- 2018-Present** **Organizer**, *ComSciCon Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI.  
Work with other graduate students to organize, publicize and run a conference devoted to science communication in Ann Arbor Michigan.

- 2017-Present **Senior Editor**, *Students of Applied Physics Project*, *Applied Physics Student Council*, Ann Arbor, MI.  
I work with PhD students to develop understandable and engaging articles about research in the applied physics department. [Example article \[Link\]](#)
- 2014-2015 **President**, *Local Chapter of American Society for Engineering Education*, Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2009-2011 **President**, *Local Chapter of Society of Physics Students*, Troy, NY.

## Communication Training

- August 2017 **ComSciCon Chicago** [[Link for more information](#)], *Chicago, IL*.  
Attended a conference based on science communication.
- 2016 **Researchers Expanding Lay-Audience Teaching and Engagement (RELATE) Workshops**.
- o Over 3 months, worked on crafting messages and narratives, considering different audiences and making visual aids.
  - o Developed and produced a [YouTube video \[Link\]](#) highlighting my research.

## Selected Communication Experience

### General Audience Writing

1. **Atomistic Calculations Predict That Boron Incorporation Increases The Efficiency Of LEDs**, 2017.  
Press release for research group. Picked up by the DOE, NERSC, and Semiconductor Today.
2. **Senior Editor**, *Students of Applied Physics*, *Applied Physics Student Council*.  
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### Public Engagement

1. **Andrew McAllister**, [LED Light Bulbs: Why Do They Cost an Arm and a Leg?](#), *Nerd Nite* 2017, Ann Arbor, MI

### Technical Publications

1. **Andrew McAllister**, Dylan Bayerl, Emmanouil Kioupakis, Auger and radiative recombination in indium nitride, *Applied Physics Letters*, **112**, 251108 (2018) [doi:10.1063/1.5038106](#)
2. Kyeongwoon Chung, **Andrew McAllister**, David Bilby, Bong-Gi Kim, Min Sang Kwon, Emmanouil Kioupakis, Jinsang Kim, Designing interchain and intrachain properties of conjugated polymers for latent optical information encoding, *Chemical Science* **6**, 6980-6985 (2015) [doi:10.1039/c5sc02403j](#)

### Contributed Technical Presentations

1. **Andrew McAllister**, Dylan Bayerl, Christina Jones, Emmanouil Kioupakis, Auger Recombination From First-principles in Group-III Nitride Alloys, American Physical Society March Meeting 2018, Los Angeles, CA
2. **Andrew McAllister**, Dylan Bayerl, Emmanouil Kioupakis, Radiative and Auger Recombination of Degenerate Carriers in InN American Physical Society March Meeting, 2017, New Orleans, LA
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3. **Andrew McAllister**, Daniel Åberg, André Schleife, and Emmanouil Kioupakis, Auger recombination in sodium-iodide scintillators from first principles, *Applied Physics Letters* **106**, 141901 (2015) [doi:10.1063/1.4914500](https://doi.org/10.1063/1.4914500)

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## Writing and Editing for a General Audience

1. [Using LEDs to Tell Plants What We Want From Them \[Link\]](#), *Science in the News Blog*, 2018.  
Worked with the "Friends of Joe's Big Idea" program by National Public Radio.
2. **Senior Editor**, *Students of Applied Physics*, *Applied Physics Student Council*.  
I work with PhD students to develop understandable and engaging articles about research in the applied physics department. [Example article \[Link\]](#)
3. [Atomistic Calculations Predict That Boron Incorporation Increases The Efficiency Of LEDs \[Link\]](#), *University of Michigan Materials Science & Engineering News*, 2017.  
Press release for research group. Picked up by the Department of Energy, National Energy Research Scientific Computer Center, and Semiconductor Today.
4. [How Gecko Feet Will Make Your Next Move Easier \[Link\]](#), *Michigan Science Writers*, 2017.  
I also work as a content editor for Michigan Science Writers, where I provide feedback and help develop a rough draft developing of a piece by another graduate student.

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### Public Engagement

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- 2018 **Engaging Scientists in Policy and Advocacy.**  
Volunteer for "Ask a Scientist at Art Fair", where I spoke to adults interested in science at a large local event in an informal setting.

- 2018 **Skype a Scientist** [\[Link\]](#).  
Volunteered for the Skype a Scientist program, where I skyped into multiple high school classrooms to talk about science, becoming a scientist, and other topics. More information on my blog, [here](#). [\[Link\]](#)
- 2017 **Nerd Nite** [\[Link\]](#) **Ann Arbor Talk**.  
Gave a 20 minute talk about my research at a local bar to an audience of mostly non-scientists. A recording is available at: [LED Light Bulbs: Why Do They Cost an Arm and a Leg?](#) [\[Link\]](#)
- 2013-2016 **American Society for Engineering Education**.  
Organized and ran a table at K-Grads Kid's Fair – an elementary school visit to University of Michigan. At the table, I helped demonstrate some concepts of signal analysis by using a laser to transmit music through open air.
- 2008-2012 **Society of Physics Students**.  
Organized and ran multiple outreach events at local schools and on campus. A large project that I was involved with was organizing a full-day program on light and solar cells for the Harlem Academy's visit to Rensselaer with my advisor, Peter Persans.

## Teaching Experience

*At the University of Michigan:*

- April 2015 Flow in Technical Writing Workshop  
October 2014 Introduction to Mathematica Workshop  
April 2014 Introduction to L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Workshop

*At Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute:*

- Spring 2012 Teaching Assistant, Physics 4100 - Introductory Quantum Mechanics  
Fall 2011 Teaching Assistant, Physics 2961 - Modern Physics  
Fall 2011 Grader, Math 4400 - Ordinary Differential Equations  
Spring 2011 Teaching Assistant, Physics 1200 - Introductory Electromagnetism  
Fall 2010 Teaching Assistant, Physics 1200 - Introductory Electromagnetism

## Other Education Experiences

- Winter 2018 **Public Policy 650 - Introduction to Science and Technology Policy Analysis**,  
*University of Michigan*.  
August 2017 **ComSciCon Chicago**, *Chicago, IL*.  
Fall 2016 **Engineering 580 - Teaching Engineering**, *University of Michigan*.

## Professional Memberships

American Association for the Advancement of Science  
American Physical Society  
American Society for Engineering Education  
Materials Research Society  
Society for Social Studies of Science

## High-Performance Computing Awards

- 2015-2018 Electronic and optical properties of novel photovoltaic and thermoelectric materials from first-principles, National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center  
PI: Emmanouil Kioupakis  
o **2018**: 5,000,000 CPU Hours

- **2017:** 7,300,000 CPU Hours
- **2016:** 2,301,200 CPU Hours
- **2015:** 8,000,000 CPU Hours

## ■ Mentoring

2014 Lunch and Lab with a Grad Mentoring Program

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Albert Einstein discovered that  $e = mc^2$  in 1905.

Yours faithfully,

**Andrew McAllister**

*Attached: curriculum vitæ*