

# Ethan Lawrence

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## SUMMARY

Materials science & engineering (MSE) Ph.D. Candidate with four years of research experience in nanocatalyst synthesis and characterization with expertise in electron microscopy techniques seeking full time position May 2019.

## EDUCATION

<b>Ph.D., Materials Science &amp; Engineering</b> Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ	<b>2014 – Present</b> 3.87 GPA
<b>B.A., Physics and Mathematics</b> Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA	<b>8/2010 – 5/2014</b> 3.60 GPA

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Electron Microscopy:** FEI Titan Environmental-Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM)/scanning-TEM (STEM), FEI Tecnai F20, Philips CM-200, JEOL 2010F, Philips XL30 SEM, FEI Helios DualBeam SEM/FIB, FEI Nova 200 FIB

**Experimental Techniques:** *in situ* & environmental electron microscopy, electron energy-loss spectroscopy (EELS), energy-dispersive x-ray spectroscopy (EDX), X-ray diffraction (XRD), gas chromatography, materials synthesis, Design of Experiment (DOE), big data analysis

**Software & Programming:** DigitalMicrograph, Matlab, ImageJ, C++, CrystalMaker, JEMS (image simulation software), MIPAR

**Other:** Project Management, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Word, Customer Service

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<b>Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ: Dean's Fellow Graduate Research Associate</b>	<b>8/2014 – Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Identified strategies to reduce carbon deposition on metal-oxide nanocatalysts during hydrocarbon reforming through correlation of local structural and chemical evolution using atomic-level <i>in situ</i> imaging and spectroscopy</li><li>Invented a technique that estimates oxygen exchange activity of reducible oxide surfaces through site-specific time-resolved atomic column tracking which can be applied to a wide range of materials problems involving interfacial transport and oxygen exchange functionalities</li><li>Directed an engineering project to design and manufacture a custom-built TEM sample holder to permit ceramic electrolyte materials to be observed under electrochemical conditions at atomic-level</li><li>Managed lab day-to-day operations through lab supply purchasing, equipment and software maintenance, and ensured lab safety compliance</li></ul>	
<b>Rockwell Collins, Cedar Rapids, IA: Graduate Technical Intern</b>	<b>4/2014 – 8/2014</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Evaluated strength and electrical contact of microelectronic packaging materials</li><li>Developed new and existing techniques for package etchant and sealant for microelectronic packaging processes</li></ul>	
<b>Corning, Inc., Corning, NY: Glass Research Intern</b>	<b>5/2013 – 8/2013</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Optimized coloration of glass ceramic materials through dopant variation and thermal treatments to reduce costs associated with mass producing colored glasses</li><li>Investigated phase changes of glasses to optimize optical properties for use in optoelectronic devices</li></ul>	

## ACTIVITIES

<b>Microscopy Society of America (MSA) Pre-meeting Congress Program Chair</b>	<b>8/2018 – Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Will oversee planning of a technical program (plenary and poster sessions, two parallel sessions), and social programming based on ~\$40,000 raised from companies, institutions and individuals for the pre-meeting congress for students, postdocs, and early-career professionals at Microscopy &amp; Microanalysis 2019</li></ul>	

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## **Microscopy Society of America (MSA) Student Council Co-founder**

**8/2016 – 8/2018**

Multiple leadership roles including Treasurer and Social Activities chair (~100 members, ~\$30,000 annual budget):

- Raised \$25,000 in 2017 and \$39,000 in 2018 through sponsorship and donations to operate the Student Council and host a Pre-meeting Congress for students, postdocs, and early-career professionals.
- Developed a social program to engage students in professional development networking through exposure to executive leadership of the Microscopy Society of America and career mentoring from recent graduates

## **ASU Materials Science Graduate Student Leadership Circle, Tempe, AZ: Co-founder & Chair**

**1/2018 – Present**

- Created a structure for growing ASU's Materials Science & Engineering graduate student community through professional development events and social programming and raised ~\$700 to fund various initiatives.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### **Oxygen Transfer at Metal-Reducible Oxide Nanocatalyst Interfaces: Contrasting Carbon Growth from Ethane and Ethylene**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

ACS Applied Nano Materials **1** 1360-1369 (2018) DOI: [10.1021/acsnm.8b00102](https://doi.org/10.1021/acsnm.8b00102)

### **Locating Active Oxygen Exchange Sites on Nanoparticle Surfaces at Atomic Resolution**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, T. Boland, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

Nature Materials (*under review*) (2018)

### **Real-time Imaging of Reducible Oxide Nanoparticle Surface Reconstructions using Time-resolved Aberration-corrected Transmission Electron Microscopy**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, B. K. Miller, P. A. Crozier

(*in preparation*) (2018)

### **Observing Enhanced Oxygen Exchange Activity on Locally-Strained CeO<sub>2</sub> Surfaces**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, T. Boland, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

(*in preparation*) (2019)

### **Dynamic Oxygen Exchange Rates on CeO<sub>2</sub> Nanoparticles: Contrasting Polar and Non-Polar Surfaces**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, T. Boland, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

(*in preparation*) (2019)

## **PUBLISHED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

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### **Identification of Rapid Oxygen Exchange through Site-Dependent Cationic Displacements on CeO<sub>2</sub> Nanoparticles**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, T. Boland, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

Microscopy and Microanalysis **24** 54-55 (2018) DOI: [10.1017/S1431927618000764](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1431927618000764)

### **Determination of Surface Dynamics on CeO<sub>2</sub> Nanoparticles using Time-Resolved High-Resolution TEM**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, B. K. Miller, P. A. Crozier

Microscopy and Microanalysis **24** 1906-1907 (2018) DOI: [10.1017/S1431927618010012](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1431927618010012)

*\*Best Poster Award in Physical Sciences (\$250)*

### **In situ TEM Observations of Oxygen Surface Dynamics in CeO<sub>2</sub> Cubes**

E. L. Lawrence, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

Microscopy and Microanalysis **23** 1994-1995 (2017) DOI: [10.1017/S1431927617010637](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1431927617010637)

### **In situ Imaging and Spectroscopy of the Carbon Deposition Mechanism on Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Anode Catalyst**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Microscopy and Microanalysis **23** 914-915 (2017) DOI: [10.1017/S1431927617005232](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1431927617005232)

### **In situ TEM Observations of Carbon Deposition on Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Anode Materials**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Microscopy and Microanalysis **22** 1376-1377 (2016) DOI: [10.1017/S1431927616007728](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1431927616007728)

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## **Exploring the Carbon Deposition Mechanism on Ni/Gd Ceria Catalysts**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Microscopy and Microanalysis **21** 251-252 (2015) DOI: [10.1017/S1431927615002056](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1431927615002056)

*\*Best Poster Award in Physical Sciences (\$250)*

## **OTHER CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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### **Identification of Rapid Oxygen Exchange through Site-Dependent Cationic Displacements on CeO<sub>2</sub> Nanoparticles**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, T. Boland, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

19<sup>th</sup> International Microscopy Congress 2018, Sydney, Australia

### **Determination of Surface Dynamics on CeO<sub>2</sub> Nanoparticles using Time-Resolved High-Resolution TEM**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, B. K. Miller, P. A. Crozier

19<sup>th</sup> International Microscopy Congress 2018, Sydney, Australia

### **Atomic-Level *In situ* Imaging and Spectroscopy of Interfacial Interactions during Carbon Deposition on a Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalyst**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

19<sup>th</sup> International Microscopy Congress 2018, Sydney, Australia

### **Atomic-Level *In situ* Imaging and Spectroscopy of Interfacial Interactions during Carbon Deposition on a Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalyst**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 2018

### ***In situ* TEM observations of Oxygen Surface Dynamics in CeO<sub>2</sub> Cubes**

E. L. Lawrence, B. D.A. Levin, T. Boland, S. L.Y. Chang, P. A. Crozier

Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 2018

### ***In situ* Imaging and Spectroscopy of Carbon Deposition on a Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalyst**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Minerals, Metals, and Materials Society Meeting 2018

### **The Influence of Hydrocarbon and Catalyst Support on the Carbon Deposition onto Ni Reforming Catalysts**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

North American Catalysis Society Meeting 2017

### ***In situ* Imaging and Spectroscopy of Carbon Deposition on a Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalyst**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 2017

### **Carbon Deposition on a Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalyst from Hydrocarbon Gases**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 2017

### ***In situ* Imaging and Spectroscopy of the Carbon Deposition Mechanism on Ni/CeO<sub>2</sub> Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Anode Catalyst**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Arizona Imaging and Microanalysis Society Conference 2017

### **Exploring the Carbon Deposition Mechanism on Ceria-based Catalysts**

E. L. Lawrence & P. A. Crozier

Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 2016

## **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

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**Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ: Teaching Assistant – Electron Microscopy Lab**

**8/2018 – Present**

- Trained 12 graduate students as new users on Philips CM-200 TEM
- Assisted with lab development and evaluated lab reports

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## **Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ: Undergraduate Student Mentor**

**2/2016 – 5/2017**

- Trained two undergraduate researchers on materials synthesis and basic characterization of nanoparticles
- Guided these students through research grant proposal writing, resulting in four Fulton Undergraduate Research Initiative Awards (FURI)

## **University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada: Glass Research Intern**

**5/2012 – 8/2012**

- Investigated short-range order of vanadium-based glasses through nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR)

## **Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA: Glass Research Intern**

**5/2011 – 8/2011**

- Characterized vanadium-based glass properties through differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) to correlate the effect of composition on phase transitions

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

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**Best Poster Award** - Microscopy & Microanalysis 2018

**Kokes Award** - North American Catalysis Society Meeting 2017

**Bruker Best Poster Award** - Arizona Imaging and Microanalysis Society Conference 2017

**Best Poster Award** - Microscopy & Microanalysis 2016

**Best Poster Award** - Microscopy & Microanalysis 2015

**Dean's Fellowship** - Graduate College, Arizona State University, 2014 - 2018

**Featured Undergraduate Researcher** - Society of Physics Students (SPS) Observer Magazine Spring 2015 issue

**Sponsored Participant, ASU Winter School on High Resolution Electron Microscopy** – Eyring Materials Center

**Presidential Scholarship** - Coe College

## **SERVICE & MENTORSHIP**

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### **Microscopy Society of America (MSA) Pre-meeting Congress Co-Organizer**

**8/2017 – 8/2018**

- Co-organized a pre-meeting congress for Practical Challenges and Opportunities for *in situ/operando* Microscopy in Liquids and Gases at Microscopy and Microanalysis 2018

### **Lab Assistant, ASU Winter School on High Resolution Electron Microscopy**

**2015 – Present**

- Demonstrated electron microscopy techniques to school participants

### **North American Ambassador, 19<sup>th</sup> International Microscopy Congress**

**2017 – 2018**

### **Symposia Assistant, Microscopy & Microanalysis / Materials Research Society**

**2016**

### **Regional Tournament Volunteer, Arizona FIRST LEGO League**

**2015 – 2016**

### **Sigma Pi Sigma Inductee, U.S. Physics Honor Society**

**2014**

### **Science is Fun Mentor, Coe College**

**2010 – 2014**

## **REFERENCES**

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