

# Juliusz Aleksander Kruszelnicki

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## **EDUCATION**

### **PhD in Nuclear Engineering and Scientific Computing, University of Michigan**

- Graduate Research Assistant, Computational Plasma Science and Engineering
- **GPA:** 3.90/4.00

**Current**  
**Ann Arbor, MI**

### **Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Engineering, University of Florida**

- Honors Program Graduate
- Cum Laude Honors
- **GPA:** 3.46/4.00

**08.2010 – 05.2015**  
**Gainesville, FL**

## **REASERCH EXPERIENCE**

### **University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI**

*Academic Advisor: Professor Mark Kushner*

**Current**  
*Graduate Research Assistant*

- Performed computational research of atmospheric pressure plasma interactions in plasma-chemical catalytic systems

### **University of Florida, Gainesville, FL**

*Principal Investigator: Professor James Tulenko*

**08.2014 – 08.2015**  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant*

- Aided in development of innovative, accident tolerant, high thermal conductivity UO<sub>2</sub> fuel
- Used Spark Plasma Sintering machine to fabricate 4.95% UO<sub>2</sub>-Diamond composite fuel pellets (17x17 and 15x15) for irradiation in the Advanced Test reactor
- Carried out pellet analysis via x-ray diffraction, Raman spectroscopy, and scanning electron microscopy
- Executed CASMO 4E and Simulate3K simulation runs and analysis of mixed component fuels' reactor performance
- Lead the initiative to quantify the thermal effects of several dopants on UO<sub>2</sub>
- Developed thermally/neutronically coupled modeling technique for doped, annular fission fuel

### **Tri Alpha Energy, Irvine, CA**

*Supervisor: Erik Trask, PhD*

**Summer of 2013**  
*Corporate Internship Research Assistant*

- Modified implicit geometries and structures of the GENRAY.f plasma ray tracing code to allow open magnetic flux surface ray trajectories for Reverse Field Confinement device
- Found means of maximizing intra-separatrix power deposition via Electron Bernstein Wave coupling mechanisms
- Compiled and analyzed data pertaining to ray propagation in the electron cyclotron range of frequencies
- Designed, constructed and tested RFC DT reactor high vacuum chamber systems

### **Oculus Research, Gainesville, FL**

*Supervisor: Dan Dickrell, PhD*

**08.2012 – 04.2013**  
*Research Assistant*

- Wrote MATLAB routines designed for retinal vascular structure analysis, as means of early illness detection and diagnosis
- Ported and scaled existing MATLAB codes to platform independent language (C++)

### **University of Florida, Gainesville, FL**

*Principal Investigator: Professor Yong Yang*

**08.2012 – 04.2013**  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant*

- Assisted in design, construction, and implementation of a fluid-based pressurized piping system intended for simulated PWR-environment ZrC cladding corrosion investigation
- Performed microstructure analysis of 2 MeV proton irradiated, ultra-high purity ZrC, using transmission electron microscopy

### **Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM**

*Advisor: Bruce Letellier, PhD*

**Summer of 2012**  
*Summer Research Assistant*

- Researched and derived methods for risk analysis of South Texas Nuclear Plant's spray/sump filtration systems via micro and macro structure deposit and hydraulic interaction analysis
- Structured MATLAB hydraulic sequences for the plant's limiting conditions of the sump and spray system, the filtration system flow, and the spray system cooling capacities

### **Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM**

*Advisor: Bruce Letellier, PhD*

**Summer of 2011**  
*Summer Research Assistant*

- Researched means of kinematic characterization of explosives-propelled shrapnel via employment of self-developed computer-based synthetic radiography and analysis of experimental X-Ray imaging
- Created analytical means of 3-D object identification, elemental density assessment, and trajectory and kinetic energy calculation

## LEADERSHIP

### Treasurer, *IEEE Southeastern Michigan Nuclear Plasma Physics Section*

Current

- Handled daily operations of IEEE section, including budgeting, event organization, and general body meetings

### Session Chair, *University of Michigan Engineering Research Symposium*

2015

- Recruited session judges, from amongst University faculty, alumni, and corporate affiliates
- Organized and presided over the Nuclear Sciences and Engineering presentation session

### University Scholar, *University of Florida University Scholar Program*

2012-2015

- Selected as an independent undergraduate research fund recipient for 2013 and 2014
- Leads research and construction of an innovative, pulsed DD fusion reactor which utilizes a hybrid Inertial Electrostatic/Magnetic, pulsed confinement system of own design
- Optimized Focus Electrode Concept geometrics and energetics via a Schwartz-Christoffel ionic pathway and electromagnetic field analysis
- Designed, simulated, constructed and tested high voltage/high current pulsed power systems

### President & Founder, *Motorcycle Association of Students and Staff*

2011 - 2015

- Organized nation's largest collegiate motorcycle riding group
- Lead riding skill development workshops, organized group events (up to 50 participants), set up a local network of vendor sponsors

## PUBLICATIONS

- '*Propagation of negative electrical discharges through 2-dimensional packed bed reactors*', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Kenneth Engeling, John Foster, Zhongmin Xiong, Mark J. Kushner, *J. Phys. D: Appl. Phys.* 50 (2017) 025203 (14pp); doi:10.1088/1361-6463/50/2/025203

## PRESENTATIONS

*\*Award or recognition*

- \*'Properties Influencing Plasma Discharges in Packed Bed Reactors', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Kenneth W. Engeling, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 APS Gaseous Electronics Conference, Bochum, Germany;
- 'Investigation of the Time Evolution of Micro-discharges in a 2-Dimensional Packed Bed Reactor', Kenneth W. Engeling, **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 APS Gaseous Electronics Conference, Bochum, Germany;
- 'Confined Atmospheric Plasma Sources for Activating Gases, Liquids and Tissue', Amanda M. Lietz, **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 Hakone XV, Brno, Czech Republic;
- 'Geometry makes plasmas complex', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Amanda M. Lietz, Chenhui Qu, Peng Tian, Andy Xiong, Natalia Babaeva, Jerry Wang, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 Quo Vadis – Complex Plasmas, Hamburg, Germany;
- 'Properties of Atmospheric Pressure Plasmas in Packed Bed Reactors', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Kenneth W. Engeling, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 International Conference On Plasma Science, Banff, Canada
- \*'Property Analysis and Advanced Manufacturing Technique Development for Light Water Reactor Annular Composite Fuel', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Jhonathan Rosales, Patrick Moo, Ghatu Subhash, James Tulenko, 2015 American Nuclear Society Student Conference, College Station, TX;
- \*'Inertial Electrostatic/Magnetic Confinement Hybrid Fusion Device', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, James Baciak, Joseph Mack, Hank Monkhurst, 2014 World Association of Science Engineering and Technology Conference, Stockholm, Sweden;

## POSTERS

- \*'Modeling plasma reactors for environmental pollution control', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Kenneth W. Engeling, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 University of Michigan Engineering Graduate Symposium, Ann Arbor, MI
- 'Effects of pulse-to-pulse Residual Species on Discharges in Repetitively Pulsed Discharges Through Packed Bed Reactors', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Kenneth W. Engeling, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 APS Gaseous Electronics Conference, Bochum, Germany;
- Discharge Morphology as a Function of Dialectic Constant in a 2-Dimensional Packed Bed Array', Kenneth W. Engeling, **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 International Conference On Plasma Science, Banff, Canada
- 'Properties Influencing Plasma Discharges in Packed Bed Reactors', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Kenneth W. Engeling, John E. Foster, Mark J. Kushner, 2016 Dept. of Energy Plasma Science Center Annual Meeting, University of Maryland, College Park, MD;
- \*'Impact of Focusing Grid Electrodes and Pulsed Power on Modified IEC Fusion Device', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, James Baciak, Joseph Mack, Hank Monkhurst, 2014 American Nuclear Society Conference, Anaheim, CA;
- 'Ray Tracing of Electron Bernstein Waves in 2D for C-2 Equilibrium', Eric Trask, **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, 2013 American Physics Society Conference, Denver, CO;
- \*'Kinematic Characterization of High-Velocity, Explosives-Propelled Objects via X-Ray Image Analysis', **Juliusz Kruszelnicki**, Bruce Letelier, 2011 Los Alamos National Laboratory Student Symposium, Los Alamos, NM;

## HONORS & AWARDS

- 2016 University of Michigan Engineering Graduate Symposium Best in Nuclear Sciences
- 2016 American Physical Society Gaseous Electrons Conference Highlight Presentation
- 2016 Fellowship, Michigan Institute of Plasma Science and Engineering
- 2016 ANS Landis Scholarship
- 2015 ANS Student Conference: Best Undergraduate Paper Award
- 2015 University of Florida Nuclear Engineering Student of the Year

- 2015 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Honorable Mention
- 2015 University of Florida Honors Program Graduate
- 2015 University of Florida: Pagano Scholarship
- 2015 University of Florida: Jacobs Scholarship
- 2014 University of Florida: University Scholar Award
- 2014 ANS Landis Scholarship
- 2014 University of Florida: Pagano Scholarship
- 2014 World Association of Science Engineering and Technology Conference: Best Student Presentation
- 2014 ANS Fusion Energy Division: Outstanding Student Paper Award
- 2013 University of Florida: University Scholar Award
- 2013 University of Florida: Pagano Scholarship
- 2011 Los Alamos National Laboratory Student Symposium Best in Engineering Presentation Award

#### **CODING PROFICIENCY**

- Mathematica, MCNP (X,5,6), MicroShield, MatLab, C++, Fortran, HTML, SIMULATE3, CASMO4e, SCALE, ABAQUS, AutoCAD, EES