

## Jonathan J. Wierer, Jr., Ph.D.

Jonathan Wierer is a professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at North Carolina State University. His research interests include semiconductor device physics and materials science. Specifically, he has made significant contributions to III-nitride electronic and optoelectronic devices. Throughout his career, he has conducted research across various organizations, including universities, industry, and national laboratories. This work has led to an extensive patent portfolio and highly cited journal articles



Jonathan earned his M.S., B.S., and Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1994, 1995, and 1999, respectively. His Ph.D. advisor was Nick Holonyak, Jr., and his thesis research topic was tunnel junctions in InGaAs light emitters. This was the first time tunnel junctions were used in LEDs and laser diodes, enabling efficient current rerouting and removing absorptive p-type layers. This method now enables near-infrared, vertical-cavity surface-emitting lasers, and III-nitride ultraviolet and visible LEDs.

After his doctorate, he joined Hewlett-Packard (later [Lumileds Lighting](#)), researching novel III-nitride light-emitting diodes (LEDs). He worked with the team that produced the world's first [high-power \(1-watt\) III-nitride flip-chip LEDs \(FCLEDs\)](#). These illumination-grade LEDs drastically differed from indicator LEDs and are arguably the light sources that began solid-state lighting (SSL). Jonathan was a key contributor to the research and development of FCLEDs, leading them into successful manufacturing. Today, most high-power LEDs are variations on this original FCLED.

Later, at Lumileds, he joined the Advanced Laboratories, pursuing high-risk, long-term LED research. There, he primarily investigated [photonic crystal LEDs](#). His seminal papers on photonic crystal LEDs demonstrated the ability to control emission patterns and established records in extraction efficiency. His most cited and patented works include his photonic crystal LED research.

In 2008, he joined Sandia National Laboratories. His interests broadened to include III-nitride research on laser diodes (LDs) for SSL, solar cells, intersubband devices, power electronic devices, and ultraviolet-emitting LEDs. Most notable is his ground-breaking work on [proposing LDs as an ultra-efficient light source for SSL](#). His critical insight is that LDs can circumvent the decrease in efficiency in III-nitride LEDs (efficiency droop). This work began more substantial research efforts into this area by other researchers and companies.

From 2015 to 2021, he served as a professor at Lehigh University, where his research focused on investigating InGaN-based quantum dot active layers to develop higher-efficiency LEDs and laser diodes. His group worked on synthesis methods to create controlled ensembles of quantum dots (QDs). He has also been researching long-wavelength visible (green to red) InGaN LEDs utilizing AlGaN interlayer quantum well designs. This research demonstrated that a tensile AlGaN interlayer can control the compressive strain of InGaN quantum wells and prevent defect formation, leading to higher efficiencies. Another research area Jonathan explored at Lehigh involved new wide-bandgap power electronic devices using III-nitride semiconductors. The wide bandgap results in higher critical electric fields and higher breakdown voltages. This power device research includes investigating novel edge termination schemes and ultra-wide bandgap III-nitride semiconductors, such as AlGaN and AlInN. One noteworthy outcome of this research is the thermal oxidation of AlInN, which forms native AlInO.

In 2021, he moved to North Carolina State University and continued his semiconductor device physics and materials research at NC State University, working in III-nitride photonics and power electronic devices.

Dr. Wierer has authored or co-authored over 200 journal publications and conference presentations and holds [42 patents](#), predominately related to III-nitride devices. He is a senior editor for [IEEE Photonics Technology Letters](#) and an associate editor for the [IEEE Journal of Quantum Electronics](#). He is a Fellow of Optica (formerly OSA) and is a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

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- Ph.D. Electrical Engineering University of Illinois, Champaign Urbana, IL 1995-99
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## Professional Experience

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Nov 2000 - Jan 2004	Staff Scientist Lumileds Lighting, San Jose, CA Advanced Laboratories
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May 1999 - Nov 2000	Research and Development Engineer Hewlett Packard, San Jose, CA/Agilent/Lumileds Lighting III-V Materials Development
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June 1995 - Jan 1999	Graduate Research Assistant University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL Solid State Devices Laboratory (advisor: N. Holonyak, Jr.)
June 1994 – June 1995	Graduate Research Assistant University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL Electrophysics Laboratory (advisor: P. D. Coleman)
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## Publication Statistics

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- Published Refereed Publications: 80 (2 under review)
- Conference Presentations: 141, Invited: 30
- Patents:
  - [US Patents](#): 42 (search: Wierer.IN. AND Jonathan.IN.)

- [PatentGURU](#)
- European Patents: 35
- Book Chapters: 3
- Conference Proceedings: 7
- News Items: 39
- Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=mnUvAGMAAAAJ&hl=en>
  - Citations: 10016, h-index: 47, i10-index: 91
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## Honors/Awards

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- 2024, Optica Fellow
- 2019, Senior Member of Optica (formerly OSA)
- 2018, Joel and Ruth Spira Excellence in Teaching Award / Lutron Electronics Co.
- 2014, Honorary Member of Illumination Engineering Society (IES)
- 2012, R&D100 Award, “Photovoltaics that fit,” R&D Magazine
- 2011, Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- 2004, R&D100 Award, “Cantilever Epitaxy and Growth of Low-Dislocation Gallium Nitride,” R&D Magazine
- 1998, Gregory Stillman Semiconductor Research Award

## Societies

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- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE): Senior Member 2011-present, Member 1998-2011.
- Optica (formerly OSA): Fellow 2024-present, Senior Member 2019-2024, Member 2011-2019.
- Illuminating Engineering Society (IES): Member 2014-2020.
- Society of Photographic Instrumentation Engineers (SPIE): Member 2016-2020.
- Sigma Xi, 2020

## Conference Activities

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- CLEO Conference, Subcommittee Member, S&I 15 LEDs, Photovoltaics, and Energy Efficient Photonics, 2012.
- CLEO Conference, Subcommittee Chair, S&I 15 LEDs, Photovoltaics, and Energy Efficient Photonics, 2013, 2014.
- Electronic Materials Conference, Organizer, Group III-Nitrides: Growth, Processing, Characterization, Theory and Devices, 2015-2023.
- International Workshop on Nitride Semiconductors, Proceedings Committee, 2016.
- Light-Emitting Diodes and their Industrial Applications (LEDIA), Program Committee, 2016-2020.
- Lester Eastman Conference, Program Committee, 2016, 2018, 2021, and 2023.
- International Workshop of Nitride Semiconductors (IWN), Program Committee Optical Devices, 2016, 2018, 2022, 2024.
- International Conference on Nitride Semiconductors (ICNS), Program Committee, 2021, 2023.

- IEEE Photonics Conference (IPC), Technical Program Committee, 2022.
- Holonyak Workshop, Program Committee, 2024

## Journal Activities

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- Senior Editor, IEEE Photonics Technology Letters, June 2022-present.
- Associate Editor, IEEE Photonics Technology Letters, Jan. 2018-June 2022.
- Associate Editor, IEEE Journal of Quantum Electronics, Jan. 2024-present.
- Guest Editor, *physica status solidi (b)* for the International Workshop on Nitride Semiconductors (IWN) 2016.
- Reviewer for: ACS Photonics, Applied Optics, Applied Physics Letters, IEEE Electron Devices Letters, IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Quantum Electronics, IEEE Photonics, IEEE Photonic Technology Letters, IEEE Nanotechnology Magazine, IEEE Spectrum, IEEE Transactions on Electron Devices, Japanese Journal of Applied Physics, Journal of Applied Physics, Journal of Crystal Growth, Journal of Physical Chemistry, Lasers and Photonics Reviews, Materials Science B, Nature Light Science and Applications, Nature Materials, Nature Photonics, Nano Letters, Nanomaterials, Materials, Optics Express, Optical Materials Express, Physica Status Solidi a, Physica Status Solidi b, Physica Status Solidi c, Scientific Reports, Semiconductor Science and Technology, Solid-State Electronics, and Superlattices and Microstructures.

## Teaching

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### Teaching interests

Semiconductor devices, semiconductor physics, optoelectronic devices, quantum mechanics, semiconductor lasers and LEDs, photonic crystals, power electronic devices, solid-state physics, applied quantum mechanics, semiconductor device simulation, electromagnetics, photovoltaics and photodetectors, semiconductor device processing, patents, and intellectual property.

### Courses at San Jose State University

- 2000 Fall MatE 153

### Courses at Lehigh University

- 2015 Fall ECE 325/425 Semiconductor Lasers I
- 2016 Spring ECE 308 Physics and Models of Semiconductor Devices
- 2016 Fall ECE 325/425 Semiconductor Lasers I
- 2017 Spring ECE 126 Fundamentals of Semiconductor Devices
- 2017 Fall ECE 325/425 Semiconductor Lasers I  
ENGR 5
- 2018 Spring ECE 126 Fundamentals of Semiconductor Devices
- 2018 Fall ECE 350/450 Semiconductor Optoelectronics
- 2019 Spring ECE 126 Fundamentals of Semiconductor Devices  
ECE 308 Physics and Models of Semiconductor Devices
- 2019 Fall ECE 350/450 Semiconductor Optoelectronics
- 2020 Spring ECE 126 Fundamentals of Semiconductor Devices  
ECE 308 Physics and Models of Semiconductor Devices

- 2020 Fall ECE 350/450 Semiconductor Optoelectronics
- 2021 Spring ECE 126 Fundamentals of Semiconductor Devices  
ECE 308 Physics and Models of Semiconductor Devices

### Courses at North Carolina State University

- 2021 Fall ECE 492/592 Semiconductor Optoelectronic Devices
- 2022 Fall ECE 492/592 Semiconductor Optoelectronic Devices
- 2022 Fall ECE 592 Semiconductor Optoelectronic Devices
- 2023 Spring ECE 592 Laser Diodes and Photonic Integrated Circuits
- 2023 Fall ECE 592 Semiconductor Optoelectronic Devices
- 2024 Spring ECE 792 Wide Bandgap Semiconductor Fabrication and Technology
- 2024 Fall ECE 529 Semiconductor Optoelectronic Devices
- 2025 Spring ECE 592 Laser Diodes and Photonic Integrated Circuits

### Course evaluation scores at Lehigh University, Fall 2015-Spring 2018

Semester	Course Number	Course Credits	Enrollment	Mean Question 1	Mean Question 2	Mean Question 14
Fall 2015	ECE 325/425	3	7	5	5	4.67
Spring 2016	ECE 308	3	8	4.75	4.63	4.25
Fall 2016	ECE 325/425	3	6	5	5	4.83
Spring 2017	ECE 126	3	22	5	5	4.69
Fall 2017	ECE 325/425	3	8	4.83	4.83	4.67
Fall 2017	ENGR 5	2	54	NA	NA	NA
Spring 2018	ECE 126	3	29	4.74	4.78	4.82

Notes: Evaluations are not performed for instructors in ENGR 5.

Answers are on a scale of 1-5 with 5 the highest

Question 1: Overall, the instructor's teaching was effective.

Question 2: Overall, the quality of the course was good.

Question 14: I learned a great deal in this course.

### Course evaluation scores at Lehigh University, Spring 2018-Spring 2021

Semester	Course Number	Course Credits	Enrollment	Mean Quest 1	Mean Ques 2	Mean Ques 3	Mean Ques 4	Mean Ques 5	Mean Ques 6
Fall 2018	ECE 350/450	3	6	4.75	4.75	5	5	5	5
Spring 2019	ECE 126	3	27	4.79	4.86	4.5	4.29	4.79	4.86
Spring 2019	ECE 308	3	11	4.78	4.44	4.78	4.78	5	4.89
Fall 2019	ECE 350/450	3	7	5	5	5	5	5	5
Spring 2020	ECE 126	3	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Spring 2020	ECE 308	3	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fall 2020	ECE 350/450	3	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Spring 2021	ECE 126	3	29	4.75	4.69	4.63	4.25	4.5	4.94
Spring 2021	ECE 308	3	9	4.86	4.71	4.71	4.86	5	4.71

Notes: Spring 2020 and Fall 2020 scores were not given due to online learning/COVID-19.

Answers are on a scale of 1-5 with 5 the highest

Q1: Instructor presented content in an organized manner.

Q2: The instructor's teaching methods contributed to my understanding of the course material.

Q3: The instructor was responsive when I had difficulties or questions.

Q4: The instructor gave me constructive feedback.

Q5: The instructor's assignments provided opportunities for participative learning within the course.

Q6: The course increased my knowledge of the subject matter.

**Course evaluation scores at NC State University, Fall 2021-present.**

Semester	Course Number	Course Credits	answ/ enroll	Mean Quest 1	Mean Ques 2	Mean Ques 3	Mean Ques 8	Mean Ques 11
Fall 2021	ECE 492/592	3	8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fall 2022	ECE 492/592	3	6	5	5	4.7	5	5
Spring 2023	ECE 592	3	11	4.8	4.8	4	4.2	4.4
Fall 2023	ECE 592	3	7	5	5	5	5	5
Spring 2024	ECE 792	3	12	*	*	*	*	*
Fall 2024	ECE 529	3	4/8	4.8	4.3	4.3	4.5	5
Spring 2025	ECE 592	3	10					

\* *Co-taught**Answers are on a scale of 1-5 with 5 the highest.**Q1. The instructors teaching aligned with the courses learning objectives/ outcomes.**Q2. The instructor was receptive to students outside the classroom.**Q3 The instructor explained material well.**Q8 Overall, the instructor was an effective teacher.**Q11 This course improved my knowledge of the subject.***Advising****Current Ph.D. research students:**

1. Haotian Xue  
Research topic: "III-nitride growth of emitters and power devices"  
Duration: Jan 2021 – present
2. Daniel Rogers  
Research topic: "Efficient red III-nitride emitters"  
Duration: Sept 2020 – present
3. Dakota Gray-Boneker  
Research topic: "Efficient red III-nitride electronic devices"  
Duration: Sept 2022-present
4. Antonio Gonzalez  
Research topic/Thesis: "III-Nitride growth"  
Duration: Sept 2023-present
5. Swagata Goswami Utsha  
Research topic/Thesis: "III-Nitride laser diodes"  
Duration: Sept 2023-present

**Ph.D. students supervised:**

1. Matt Peart  
Research topic/Thesis: "Development of III-Nitride Power Device Technology"  
Duration: June 2016 - Aug 2020  
Placement: Magnetron, Inc.  
Past Employment: Princeton Infrared Technologies  
Current Employment: Magnetron, Inc.

2. Syed Ahmed Al Mueeed  
Research topic/Thesis: "III-Nitride interlayer active region light emitters in the visible range"  
Duration: Sept 2016 - May 2021  
Placement: Raxium, Inc.  
Current Employment: Google, Inc.
3. Xiongliang Wei  
Research topic/Thesis: "InGaN Quantum Dots for Efficient Light Emitters"  
Duration: June 2016 - Aug 2021  
Placement: Hisense Photonics  
Current Employment: Hisense Photonics
4. Elia Palmese  
Research topic/Thesis: "Development of AlInN and its Native Thermal Oxide for Semiconductor Power Devices"  
Duration: Sept 2019 – Aug 2024  
Placement: Post-Doc Univ. of Del.

**PhD student advisory:**

1. Onoriode Ogidi-Ekoko (Advisory role only)  
Research topic: "Oxide films on GaN"  
Duration: Jan 2021-Aug 2021
2. Hanlin Fu (Advisory role only)  
Research topic: "Growth of AlInN films"  
Duration: Jan 2021- Aug 2021

**Master's student supervised:**

1. Matt Peart  
Research topic/Thesis: "The Faraday Effect in Gallium Nitride"  
Duration: Sept 2015-May 2016  
Placement: PhD student in my group
1. Xiongliang Wei  
Research topic (no thesis): "Quantum Dot Etching"  
Duration: Sept 2015-May 2016  
Placement: PhD student in my group
2. Siyuan Guo  
Research topic: "III-nitride Photonic Integrated Circuits"  
Duration: Sept 2019- May 2020
4. Jing Xue  
Research topic: "Frequency response of micro-LEDs"  
Duration: Jan 2020- Jan 2021



5. Dakota Gray-Boneker  
Duration: Sept 2022-Dec 2002  
Placement: Converted to Ph.D. at NCSU

**Undergraduate researchers supervised:**

1. Seth Slavin  
Funding: Undergraduate Research Program  
Research topic: Corrective Running Socks  
Duration: Fall 2017- Spring 2018
2. Jasper Chumba  
Research topic: Programing of an LED test station  
Duration: Summer 2017
3. Alexander Goff  
Research topic: Kilovolt Bias Tee  
Duration: Summer 2017
4. Rebecca Lentz  
Funding: Clare Boothe Luce Scholar Program  
Research topic: Differential Carrier Lifetimes in III-nitrides  
Duration: Summer 2017 – Summer 2019  
Placement: PhD student at Univ. of Mich.
5. Mark Schafer  
Research topic: Optical gain measurements  
Duration: Fall 2019-Spring 2020  
Placement: M.S. student Lehigh
6. Chengxin Yu  
Duration: Summer 2019 – Summer 2020  
Placement: M.S. student at Univ. of Mich.
7. Sydney Wisniewski  
Duration: Summer 2019 – Spring 2020  
Placement: M.S. student at KU Leuven, Belgium
9. Geethu Alluri  
Duration: Sept 2022-May 2023  
Topic: MOCVD recipe converter  
Placement: M.S. NCSU

**Post-doctoral associates supervised:**

1. Benjamin Bryant  
Location: Sandia National Laboratories and Univ. of New Mexico,  
Research Topic: Differential carrier lifetimes in III-nitrides.  
Duration: Sept 2013-July 2015  
Placement: Avogy

Current employment: FLIR Systems

**Visiting researchers supervised:**

1. Elly Tsai  
Research topic: Light extraction in nanowire LEDs.  
Duration: Sept 2016-Oct 2017  
Placement: glo-USA  
Current employment: Google/Raxium
2. Justin Goodrich  
Research topic: “AllInN materials.”  
Duration: Mar 2021-Aug 2021
3. Jing Xue  
Research topic: “Frequency response of micro-LEDs.”  
Duration: Jan 2021-Aug 2021

**Ph.D. committee member, NC State**

1. Ujjwal Pratik, graduated 2024 (Zeljko Pantic)
2. Joshua Larson (Michael Kudenov)
3. Mas Hakimi Heris (Dima Farfunik)
4. Karthik Suresh Arulalan (Spyros Pavlidis)
5. Keith Markham (Fred Kish)

**Ph.D. committee member, Lehigh**

1. Wei Sun (Tansu)
2. Damir Borovac (Tansu)
3. Ioannis Fragkos (Tansu)
4. Le Zhao (Kumar)
5. Zhao Dong (Chao)
6. Jason Jerwick (Chao)
7. Ji Chen (Chao)
8. Liang Gao (Kumar)
9. Yuan Jin (Kumar)
10. Onoriode Ogidi-Ekoko (Tansu)
11. Hanlin Fu (Tansu)
12. Justin Goodrich (Tansu)

**Service outside University**

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- IEEE Photonics Society Distinguished Lecturer Program Committee, 2024-present.

**Service to the University**

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- NCSU
  - ECE Department, New Certificates and degrees, 2024-present

- ECE Department, Faculty Awards, 2024-present
- ECE Department, ECE Faculty Search Committee, 2022-present.
- Lehigh University
  - University, Internal Review Committee, Fall 2019-Aug 2021.
  - University, Graduate Research Council, 2018.
  - ECE department, Faculty Diversity Hiring Committee, Spring 2021
  - ECE department, Graduate Liaison for Masters in Photonics program, Spring 2020- Aug 2021
  - ECE department, Graduate student committee, Aug 2015 - Aug 2021
  - ECE department, Seminar speaker committee, Aug 2015 - Aug 2021
  - ECE department, Lehigh ECE 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee, 2017-2018
  - Center for Photonics and Nanoelectronics, Member, Aug 2015 - Aug 2021
  - Center for Photonics and Nanoelectronics, Nanofabrication Facilities Committee, 2017 - Aug 2021