



## 2020 COMPRES Annual Meeting SAVE THE DATE! July 7-10, 2020



Entrance to Palisades Premier Conference Center



Watson Room 5000 sq ft meeting space

We are pleased to announce that the 2020 COMPRES Annual Meeting will be held on July 7-10, 2020 at the **Palisades Premier Conference Center**, Orangetown, New York, 10964, USA.

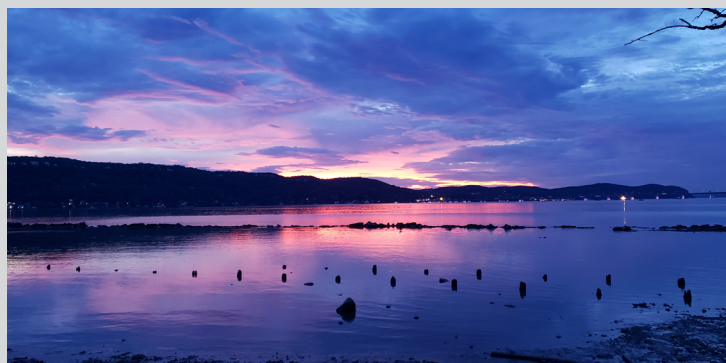
Tuesday 7/7/20. Arrival day with 5 PM poster session + reception, followed by 7 PM dinner.

Wednesday 7/8/20. Full day of meeting

Thursday 7/9/20. Full day of meeting

Friday 7/10/20. Morning meeting, noon departure.

More details on registration and program will be posted this fall 2019. We anticipate offering one or more pre-meeting COMPRES supported workshops to be held on Tuesday 7/7, with conference center check-in on Monday 7/6. We also plan to offer one or two post-meeting field trips possibly to New York City, the Catskills or the Franklin Mining District, New Jersey. Meeting Questions? Contact Beth Ha: [beth3ha@unm.edu](mailto:beth3ha@unm.edu) or Gloria Statom [gstatom@unm.edu](mailto:gstatom@unm.edu). See you in New York, July 2020!



Piermont, NY Tappan Zee, Hudson River at sunset



Patio and grounds at Palisades Premier Conference Center

- **HNA Palisades Premier Conference Center** offers 48,000 square feet of meeting space, including the 5,000-square-foot Watson Room where the COMPRES 2020 Annual Meeting will be convened.
- 206 guest rooms overlook 106 acres of serene landscaping, lush woods and hiking trails.
- Located in Rockland County, just up the Hudson River from NYC, 12 miles north of the George Washington Bridge.
- Adjacent to Tallman Mountain State Park and historic Piermont, NY.
- Within 30 miles of Kennedy, LaGuardia, and Newark airports.

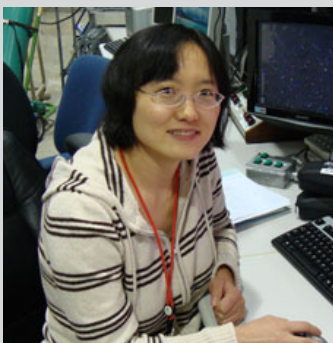
# Faculty Appointments and Tenure Promotions in the COMPRES Community



**Lily Thompson**  
New Assistant Professor  
Starting Fall 2019

**SEWANEE**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH

Earth &  
Environmental  
Systems



**Wenli Bi**  
New Assistant Professor  
Starting Fall 2019

**UAB**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF  
ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM



**Bin Chen**  
Associate Researcher  
Tenured Spring 2019

  
UNIVERSITY of HAWAII  
MĀNOA

**SOEST**  
SCHOOL OF OCEAN AND EARTH  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



## Welcome to Bora Kalkan

**Bora Kalkan** is the new COMPRES beamline scientist at the ALS 12.2.2. Bora received his Ph.D. in Condensed Matter Physics at Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey in 2009. His research interests include determining of P-T phase diagrams of materials using in-situ x-ray diffraction measurements. He is an associate researcher at UCSC. His contact email is [bkalkan@lbl.gov](mailto:bkalkan@lbl.gov).

## Welcome to Gloria Statom

**Gloria Statom** joined the Central Office in February 2019 and is our new COMPRES Program Director. Gloria received a Master's degree from UNM in 2013. She monitors the Central Office operations and all other aspects of COMPRES administration. Her contact email is [gstatom@unm.edu](mailto:gstatom@unm.edu).

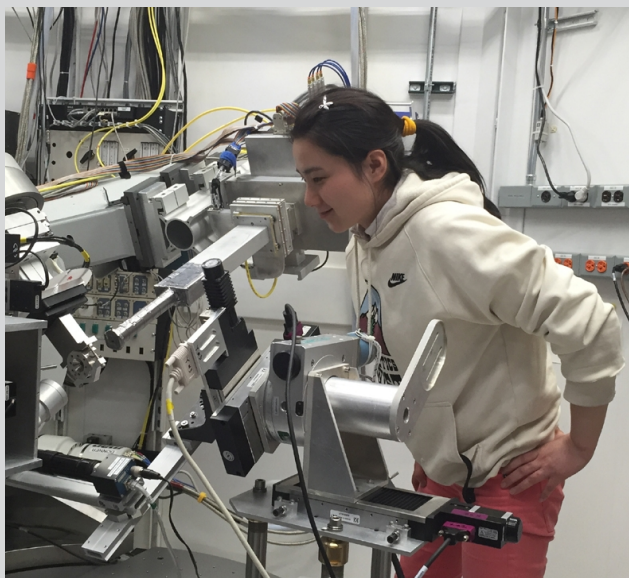


## Congratulations to Wade Mans



**Wade Mans** (left, pictured with his undergraduate thesis advisor Jin Zhang) is the first recipient of the "Sandia/UNM Pulsed power Extreme condition Research" (SUPER) graduate fellowship which is fully funded by Sandia National Lab (SNL) for 5-years and will include a stipend, travel and research support for pursuit of the Ph.D. at UNM. Wade's research will apply high energy density science to understanding material properties in planetary interiors, and will take advantage of the unique experimental facilities at SNL such as the Z-machine and Thor pulsed power platforms, as well as the STAR gas gun facility.

## Jin Zhang and Caleb Holyoke awarded prestigious NSF CAREER grants in 2019



**Jin Zhang**, assistant professor in The University of New Mexico's Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, was recently awarded a \$600,000 National Science Foundation CAREER grant to pursue new research on the elastic anisotropy of mantle minerals and potential relationships with mantle flows.



**Caleb Holyoke**, assistant professor in the Department of Geosciences at The University of Akron has received a five-year CAREER grant of \$512,045 from the National Science Foundation to investigate how heterogeneities in rocks, such as aligned minerals, affect the strength of the continental crust.

## See you at the upcoming COMPRES Annual Meeting August 2-5, 2019!



Detailed Meeting Program now available online: <http://compres.us/events/annual-meeting/2019/detailed-program>



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