

# Wade Penner

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## Summary

Experienced quality professional with background in project management and test engineering. Motivated learner who excels at problems solving and strives for continuous improvement.

### Areas of expertise:

- Automation
- Problem solving
- Scripting
- Networking
- Quality management
- Test engineering
- Data analysis
- Business intelligence
- Linux

## Education

Faculty of Engineering, University of Alberta  
*B.Sc. Computer Engineering (Co-operative Program)*

Edmonton, AB  
September 2000 - May 2005

## Professional Work Experience

Hewlett Packard Enterprise / Aruba Networks  
*QA Automation Engineer*

Montreal, QC  
May 2011 - present

- performed failure analysis on the firmware of embedded Linux based 802.11 wireless routers
- conducted grey box testing on real hardware through an automated test environment
- developed and debugged test scripts in PHP, Python, Bash, and TCL in a GNU/Linux environment
- debugged issues covering a wide variety of networking and system management protocols
- promoted to expert status and was responsible for managing all resources and a team of three people
- evolved the automation framework through proposals to allow for better workflows and efficiency
- developed new tools and techniques to assist in debugging and improve test coverage

Nortel Networks  
*Quality Auditor*

Montreal, QC  
July 2009 - March 2010

- maintained the quality management system for the enterprise supply chain operations organization
- performed internal audits and coordinated external ISO 9001 audits
- continued role as product field performance database prime, and product traceability expert

Nortel Networks  
*Business Intelligence Analyst*

Calgary, AB / Montreal, QC  
April 2006 - June 2009

- migrated product field performance data from legacy system to new system under development
- set user requirements and proposed architectural design changes for new system
- managed overseas support team, prioritizing support requests, and assisting in investigations
- negotiated with suppliers for the exchange of data; managed extract transform load processes
- developed tools for data analysis and task automation with SQL, Perl, and VBA scripts
- monitored performance and drove improvements to company's product tracking processes
- managed product quality relations with TELUS Mobility; regularly presented performance overviews to TELUS Senior Management

Nortel Networks  
*Quality Engineer*

Calgary, AB  
May 2005 - March 2006

- managed the quality for Nortel's entire portfolio of wireless, digital, and VoIP telephones
- worked with design, manufacturing, support, and product management for resolution of quality issues
- managed root cause analysis investigations; driving corrective action, and writing customer reports
- interfaced with company representatives worldwide for customer investigations and satisfaction issues
- analyzed return, repair, and manufacturing data to identify potential product quality issues
- developed quality plans with new product introduction teams to ensure products were developed with suggested design practices and high quality standards

## Computing Experience

### Operating Systems:

- Windows, Linux/Unix (Ubuntu, Debian, OpenBSD, Solaris), and MacOS

### Tools / technologies:

- GIT, Docker, Ansible, Nagios, Jenkins, Jira, REST API, vCenter

### Programming/Markup/Description Languages:

- Python, Perl, C/C++, PHP, Bash, SQL, JavaScript, Java, Visual Basic, ASP, HTML, and XML

## Co-op / Internship Work Experience

### Nortel Networks

Calgary, AB

#### *Test Engineer, Co-op Student*

May 2003 - December 2003

- designed test set verification hardware to reduce troubleshooting time for test equipment wiring
- interfaced with a variety of test equipment such as signal generators and visual signal analyzers
- developed applications with NI LabVIEW using GPIB for the test set verification hardware
- troubleshooted various test set problems for test engineering, design, and production
- spearheaded new processes to reduce deployment time for new test set equipment
- provided extensive documentation for all hardware and processes developed

### ATCO Pipelines

Edmonton, AB

#### *Process Control Engineer, Co-op Student*

January 2002 - September 2002

- designed electronic flow control and measurement systems for natural gas facilities across Alberta
- managed projects in all stages including design, budgeting, drafting, purchasing, and construction
- collaborated with construction and maintenance personnel for optimal designs
- assisted on-site during construction of projects designed, in both technical and support roles
- programmed flow computers to send real-time measurement data to SCADA and billing systems
- utilized transmitters, flow computers, MODBUS radios, H2S analyzers, thermoelectric generators, control valves, turbine meters, and designed complete power distribution systems for projects

## Other Work Experience

### Town of Picture Butte

Picture Butte, AB

#### *Parks Foreman*

May 2001 - September 2001

- managed several workers; was responsible for the hiring, including advertising and interviewing

### WP Consulting

Picture Butte, AB

#### *Self Employed Web Designer*

October 1996 - January 2002

- designed web pages and provided computer support for a variety of businesses and individuals

## Professional Memberships & Certifications

### The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta

- Professional Engineer - P. Eng. (2009 - 2022)

### Project Management Institute

- Project Management Professional - PMP (2011 - 2023)

### Certified Wireless Network Professionals

- Certified Wireless Network Administrator (2023 - present)

## Volunteer Experience

- Crew Leader, Habitat for Humanity Montreal (2010 - 2011)
- Judge, Calgary Youth Science Fair (2007)
- Team Leader, Calgary International Film Festival (2005, 2006, 2007, 2008)
- President, U of A Engineering Students' Society (2004 - 2005)