

Marilyn Powers, PhD, P.Eng.

EMPLOYER AND POSITION

Mohawk College
Director, Academic Technology Innovation

EDUCATION

- Director's Education Program, Rotman School of Management 2024
- Digital Transformation, Watspeed, 2022
- PhD Mechanical Engineering (University of Calgary, Alberta & École Polytechnique de Montréal, 2005
- MSc Mechanical Engineering, University of Calgary, Alberta, 1999
- BAsC Mechanical Engineering, University of Waterloo, Ontario, 1996



EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Mohawk College, Director, Academic Technology Innovation, 2020 – present
- Mohawk College, Professor & Coordinator, Immersive Technologies, 2019 - 2020
- PowersTech Creatives Ltd, Product Management Consulting, 2017 – 2020
- D2L Inc., Senior Product Manager, 2014 – 2018
- AXDEV Group, Director of Operations, 2013 - 2014
- CAE Healthcare, Inc, Manager, Project Management Office, 2011 – 2012
- CAE Healthcare, Inc, Manager, Education, Training & Research, 2008 – 2011
- MPB Communications, Inc, NSERC Industrial Post-doc in Haptic Interfaces & Mechanical Engineer, 2006 – 2008
- University of Calgary, Researcher, Biomechanics, 1996 – 2005
- Mount Royal College, Instructor, Engineering, 1999 – 2002

YEARS OF REGISTRATION WITH PROFESSION

- Ontario – 17 years (1996 – 2003 & 2014 - 2024)
- Quebec – 9 years (2004 – 2013)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association of International Product Marketing & Management, Certified Product Manager

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- OSPE Board, 2021-2024, Chair 2022-23
- Surge @Mohawk (an entrepreneurship service), Mentor, 2 years
- Communitech, Product Management P2P Co-Champion, 3 years
- Communitech, Women in Tech Mentor, 1 year

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

It has been an honour to serve as an OSPE Board Director for the past three years and I hope to continue to serve you for another three-year term.

We have accomplished a lot during the last three years with the implementation of a strategic plan anchored on four pillars: engineers lead, engineers grow, engineers care and engineers prosper. Over the next three years, if elected to the board, I would advocate to continue building on these strengths to amplify and unite the profession toward greater prosperity and inclusion.

I bring to the board my experience of serving as Chair for 2022-23. During this time I met students, engineering graduates and professional engineers from across Ontario and heard the concerns facing you. These connections help me focus on OSPE's purpose to serve our members and remain a strong organization. I served as Chair of the Board Development and Strategic Planning committee in developing our strategy and helped evolve the strategic mandate of the board. I also served as Chair of the Human Resources committee ensuring an accountability framework aligned with the strategic plan. I look forward to bringing my expertise in facilitating complex discussions, raising the voices of everyone and leading with the courage to ask the tough questions. As my commitment to continuous professional development, I am currently completing my Corporate Director certification and looking forward to bringing the practices of disciplined boards back to my fellow board directors.