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Objective

I seek opportunities in writing and editing, and in organizing and promotion.

Accomplishments

- Present **Subject Matter Expert, the Linux Professional Institute (LPI).**
- wrote and edited exam questions pertaining to Linux system administration
 - edited exams for accuracy
 - coordinate with exam vendors (e.g. [Thompson Prometric](#), [Pearson Vue](#)) to produce finished exams on deadline
 - coordinated volunteer panel of experts for subject matter standards-setting meetings
- January 2005 through July 2005 **Feedback Administrator, the Linux Professional Institute (LPI).**
- installed and configured issue tracking system ([Request Tracker](#))
 - administered day-to-day operations of Request Tracker
 - created custom Perl-based scripts and email templates
 - wrote internal documentation
 - created status reports
 - instructed LPI employees in use of system
- November 2004 through January 2005 **Lead Subject Matter Expert, the Linux Professional Institute (LPI).**
- wrote and edited exam questions pertaining to Linux system administration
 - edited exams for accuracy
 - coordinated with exam vendors (e.g. [Thompson Prometric](#), [Pearson Vue](#)) to produce finished exams on deadline
- September 2003 Co-founded, and worked for, the Canadian Linux Interests Coalition (CLIC).
- attracted members from across Canada
 - established and pursued, with the coordinating committee, CLIC's terms and mandate
 - wrote widely-accepted and -republished press release
 - represented CLIC in a feature article in *The Ottawa Citizen*
- January 2003 Coordinated [the Open Source Weekend](#), a two-day special event in Ottawa, Canada.
- coordinated steering committee and large group of volunteers
 - managed successful publicity campaign – attracted coverage by TV, newspaper, and web news
 - acquired and worked with sponsors, contributors, and presenters (both local and international)
 - managed the event site
 - continued as key volunteer in 2004's Open Source Weekend
- April 2002 Elected to Board of Directors of [the Ottawa Canada Linux Users Group \(OCLUG\)](#), a not-for-profit corporation. Re-elected in April 2003.
- guided organization according to its mandate
 - organized meeting and events
 - generated and worked within budget
 - co-managed shared electronic forums (website, mailing lists, etc.)

- November 2001 Initiated and led OCLUG's special event, *The Business of Open Source Software*, a conference with Eric S. Raymond, and representatives from IBM, OEone, Xandros, etc. According OCLUG's annual report, "*Our Business of Open Source Software seminar was a tremendous success. (We) came out ahead financially, and established our reputation in the world Linux community as a serious centre of ideas and initiative.*"
- 2001-2002 **Technical support, Unix system administration, network administration, Achilles Ltd.** (defunct).
 - directly dealt with customer support and service
 - UNIX system administration ([Red Hat Linux](#))
 - network administration ([Apache](#), [Qmail](#))
- May 2001 Initiated and co-wrote *Free Software Leaders Stand Together* with Linus Torvalds, et al.
- 1999-2001 Represented local artist and produced shows of his work at local venues – arranged events, liaised with venues' management, attracted coverage, wrote contracts, oversaw communications
- 1991 **Production Assistant, CKCU-FM.**
 - was key member of a dynamic, fast, and capable production department
 - technically produced programs, ads, public service announcements
 - wrote ads and public service announcements
 - trained new volunteers
 - maintained equipment

Community Service

- 2002-present Co-founder and member, [the Ottawa Python Authors Group \(OPAG\)](#), founded to encourage the learning of the Python computer programming language.
- 2001-present Member, [the Ottawa Canada Linux Users Group \(OCLUG\)](#), a not-for-profit corporation that promotes the use of Linux and other open source software.

Special Skills

Excellent written English	Publicity
Special events organization	Revenue development
Photography	Strong musical skills

Linux computer operating system (LPIC1-Certified)	Request Tracker Administration
HTML4/XHTML	CSS
DocBook-XML	PHP
MySQL	Python
LaTeX	

Personal Strengths

Broad general knowledge and interest	An ideas person
An independent learner	Leadership ability/team player
A critical thinker	Excellent communication skills

References and Writing Samples

Available on request.