

# CLODIA KANNA-LAURENT P.Eng, MBA

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## SUMMARY

Dedicated to driving impactful change through successfully implementing strategic initiatives, adeptly streamlining processes, and cultivating collaborative partnerships. Achieved significant improvements in operational efficiency, cost reduction, and maintaining top-tier operational management standards. Proven leadership in guiding cross-functional teams, utilizing robust communication skills to seamlessly coordinate project timelines, budgets, and resources for optimal outcomes.

## NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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- Championed the implementation of highly effective project management plans, significantly amplifying overall organizational performance and efficiency and earning recognition from leadership.
- Forged a stellar reputation by skillfully assembling and leading high-performing teams in demanding and pressure-laden work environments.
- Accumulated a series of prestigious awards and accolades bestowed by the CEO, COO, senior managers, and external stakeholders in acknowledgment of exceptional contributions.
- Strategically engineered and executed projects that resulted in measurable improvements, fostering organizational excellence and success.
- Exemplified leadership acumen through successfully navigating complex challenges, consistently exceeding expectations and garnering widespread acknowledgment.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **Senior Manager – Project Management Office** *Alberta Innovates*

**2022 - Current**  
*Edmonton, CA*

- Nurtured a collaborative work environment that empowered teams, driving enhanced professional growth and development among team members.
- Collaborated seamlessly with senior leadership to synchronize initiatives with the organization's strategic goals, ensuring a cohesive and purposeful approach to project delivery.
- Led the development and management of budgets, forecasts, and financial plans in close collaboration with the finance team and implemented corrective actions to surpass or meet financial targets.
- Steered developing and enforcing robust project governance frameworks, policies, and procedures, ensuring meticulous compliance with legal, regulatory, and industry standards and demonstrating a steadfast commitment to safety and adherence to established norms.

### **Director of Operation** *Total Dispose-Haul*

**2018 - Current**  
*Edmonton, CA*

- Transformed business performance by implementing a growth-centric strategy, achieving a threefold increase in bottom-line profits within the initial two years, demonstrating exceptional financial expertise and visionary leadership.

- Applied strategic planning and innovative problem-solving, leading to a significant transformation in project execution that heightened the company's overall performance and operational efficiency.

**Senior Project Manager****2016 - 2022***Alberta Innovates**Edmonton, CA*

- Showcased outstanding planning skills, resulting in an impressive 20% reduction in project costs while maintaining uncompromised quality, achieved through meticulous resource allocation and optimization.
- Attained an outstanding 99% positive feedback from project stakeholders, fostering a substantial 45% increase in team morale and enhancing overall project productivity.
- Fostered inclusive relationships with key stakeholders, clients, and partners, demonstrated by positive feedback and effective leadership in chairing and participating in weekly senior management meetings.

**Project Engineer/Manager****2010 – 2016***Opus Stewart Weir**Sherwood Park, CA*

- Overhauled the design process, yielding an impressive average cost reduction of 25% on each project, showcasing strategic thinking and efficiency.
- Pioneered innovative approaches to project engineering and management, propelling increased project efficiency, cost reduction, and enhanced overall project outcomes.

**Managing Director****2000 – 2008***Ministry of Infrastructure & Land Development**Damascus, Syria*

- Led and managed a diverse portfolio of engineering projects, consistently ensuring on-time and within-budget completion, earning commendations for project delivery excellence.
- Spearheaded strategic planning initiatives that optimized project efficiency, resulting in streamlined operations and resource allocation, ultimately achieving superior project outcomes.

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE****Board Member****2022 - Current***Edmonton Food Bank**Edmonton, CA*

- Actively participated as a board member, contributing to the strategic direction and decision-making processes of the Edmonton Food Bank.

**Mentor****2018 - Current***Windmills & WISEST**Edmonton, CA*

- Recognized for making a lasting impact on the careers and aspirations of mentees, contributing to the overall success of the Windmills and WISEST initiatives.

**Chair of APEGA Edmonton Branch Executive Committee****2023 - Current***APEGA**Edmonton, CA*

- Successfully led strategic planning, set objectives, and developed a forward-looking vision for

the branch, significantly influencing key decisions that positively impacted the branch and its members.

- Demonstrated significant responsibility, managing activities and resources and ensuring compliance with APEGA's policies, fostering accountability.

**Edmonton Design Committee Member**  
*City of Edmonton*

**2023 - Current**  
*Edmonton, CA*

- Approved projects aligned with a broader vision of the City of Edmonton and positively impacted the urban landscape, fostering a sense of community pride and well-being.

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## EDUCATION

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**Master in Business Administration,**  
**Civil Engineer Technologist**  
**Interior Designer**  
**Bachelor of Civil Engineering**

University Canada West, Vancouver, CA  
The Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, CA  
International Career School, CA  
University of Civil Engineering, Damascus, Syria

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## CERTIFICATIONS

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Registered Professional Engineer (**P. Eng.**), Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of Alberta (APEGA) 2014-current.

Certified Engineering Technologist **TT** (ASET) 2010-2014.

Certified Interior Designer (**CID**)

Member with Canadian Consulting Engineer.