

# Cynthia Pickering

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## PRINCIPAL ENGINEER | CHIEF ENTERPRISE SYSTEMS ARCHITECT | STEM

*Cloud Solutions • Collaboration and Productivity • Research & Innovation • IT Strategy • Director*

Driven and accomplished senior technical leader with extensive experience directing collaborative teams in the semiconductor, aerospace and defense industries. Expertise in research, technology systems, solutions architecture, engineering and software development. Identify emerging technology trends and business opportunities in highly ambiguous environments and translate value add usages to architect overall solutions; partner with solution ingredient providers and developers to deliver timely and cost effective solutions. Excellent communication and leadership skills embracing a big picture philosophy to drive innovation identify strategic targets and influence key stakeholders and decision makers.

- STEM Education Research
- Collaborative & Social Computing
- Unified Collaboration & Communication
- Office Productivity including Mobile Apps
- Strategic System & Solution Architecture
- Enterprise Architecture including SaaS/Cloud
- Service-Oriented Architecture
- Distributed Processing Architectures & Systems
- Agile Methods/Problem Solving/Innovation
- User Experience Design & Usage Development
- Business Process & Systems Analysis
- Big Data/Insights & Advanced Analytics
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Robotics
- Industrial Automation
- Real-time Systems
- Object Oriented Analysis/Design/Programming

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY** | Scottsdale, AZ

09/2018-present

**Associate Research Director, Center for Broadening Participation in STEM, Knowledge Enterprise Development Research**

Co-PI, NSF INCLUDES ALRISE Alliance

Co-PI, Work-focused Experiential Learning to Increase STEM Student Retention and Graduation at Two-year Hispanic-serving Institutions

Co-PI, Collaborative Research, Hispanic Serving Institution Advanced Technological Education Resource Hub 2.

Technical Lead and Process Architect, Evidence-based Student-centered STEM at Hispanic Serving Institutions.

**SCIENCE FOUNDATION ARIZONA** | Phoenix, AZ

09/2015-9/2018

**SFAz Fellow, Girls in STEM, Community College STEM Pathways**

Technical Lead for SFAz Web Presence for Girls in STEM, delivering initial strategy and ongoing outreach.

Technical Lead and Process Architect for AZ STEM Network Social Communities for Community College STEM Pathways.

Technical Lead for NSF Kickstarter grant and STEM Pathways Assessment and Planning Framework

**INTEL CORPORATION** | Chandler, AZ

08/1991– 7/2015

**Principal Engineer** (2004 – 2015)

Directed all aspects of technical leadership and oversight for the full lifecycle of domain, including collaboration, office productivity, sales and marketing IT solutions. Oversaw research, architecture definition, strategy, roadmaps and prototyping initiatives; transferred technology innovation to engineering and operations for implementation and support. Regularly published and spoke at key industry and academic conferences.

- Served as lead researcher, strategist and architect for delivering industry-leading social and integrated collaboration solutions to Intel employees, customers, partners and suppliers. Owned architecture definition, governance and delivery.
- Established R&D agenda, POC pipeline and Innovation Lab for Collaborative Computing domain with one patent and 14 peer-reviewed publications. Yielded \$11M architecture reuse value and industry fellow traveler engagements yielding \$6.8M Intel design wins.
- Spearheaded technology evaluation resulting in major re-platform and upgrade of internal social computing platform aligned to Intel's external offerings. Architected the solution and designed in gamification to incentivize collaborative behaviors. Result was tremendous employee adoption over the prior system and one year later there are 72K active users, 400K discussions and documents, 11M views of company news articles, 4k answered questions in knowledge forums and 4K ideas.

- Directed team of researchers and partnered with third party vendors to produce Intel patented intellectual property for Collaboration and Desktop Productivity.
- Directed team of enterprise architects to design and develop components of service-level integrated solutions for unified collaboration and communications. Worked with engineering and operations teams to implement and deliver solutions.
- Directed team of enterprise architects to design and develop components of SaaS and cloud integrated solutions for Intel sales and marketing solutions including cross system insights and analytics captured in a big data repository. Worked with engineering and operations teams to implement and deliver solutions.

***Additional selected projects in partnership with Intel Business Units included:***

*Rotation – Business Client Perceptual Computing Architect – PC Client Group (2011 – 2012)*

- In charge of Human Computer Interaction based on human senses of voice, vision, touch, and gestures.
- Developed a POC to recognize speech, capture a live meeting transcript, and translate it to foreign languages.

*Enterprise Compute Continuum (2008 – 2011)*

- Led User Experience team for Enterprise Compute Continuum
- Developed blended consumer business usages for a range of compute devices including smart phone, tablet, TV, and embedded computing
- Influenced product engineering to incorporate requirements for blended business and consumer features.

**Additional Intel Accomplishments prior to 2004:**

- **Created and drove IT Concept Cars Program** adopting automotive industry's concept car methodology. Influenced the Digital Enterprise Group's Digital Office Product Roadmap to include compelling business usages. Defined the first IT Integrated Collaboration roadmap and Service Oriented Architecture for Collaboration.
- **Provided subject matter expertise to develop User centered concepts for next generation collaboration business solutions** during IT Strategic Long Range Planning (SLRP). Influenced IT product line business plan adoption and refinement of SLRP priorities.
- **Defined 3-tier applications architecture**, led the technology development workgroup in the applications architecture department and managed several cross-functional projects that prototyped and refined architecture concepts in the areas of 3-tier, workflow and mobile/international applications.
- **Managed the workflow automation group in desktop automation and led a cross-functional team** that evaluated document management products against customer document control requirements. Consolidated group calendaring within Intel to a single solution. Defined the client architecture and worked with product management to evaluate and select products to fulfill customer requirements.
- **Maintained and enhanced object oriented factory model for the Artificial Intelligence (AI) scheduler** for semiconductor wafer fabrication. Led project to develop intelligent user interface tools for the AI scheduler and for editing the factory model.

**Early Career Experience**

**Technical Staff – Electrical Engineering & Computer Science Department AI Group, FMC Corporate Technology**

**Artificial Intelligence Software – Advanced Automation Technology AI Group, Martin Marietta Denver Aerospace**

**EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

BS Electrical Engineering, **PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

,MS Human and Social Dimensions of Science and Technology, **ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY**

**MEMBERSHIPS / AFFILIATIONS**

ASEE • SACNAS • AAC&U • ACM SigCHI • AAAI • IEEE • ETA KAPPA NU • SWE • EIT

**VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

VEX Robotics Club Middle School and High School Teams- 2016-17

Day @ Intel STEM Field Trip - SWE Phoenix Section

STEM Experience at IEEE International Microwave Conference

STEM Spotlight Video Calls with Middle School Classes - MCESA

Centro Latina STEM Camp

Girls and Boys Club Randolph AFB Techfest

AZ Science Center - Girls in STEM

Grace Hopper 2014 - Hopper Helper at Student Opportunity Lab and ABIE Change Panel

## PUBLICATIONS

**ORCID ID:** <https://orcid.org/0000-0001-8148-098X>

Pickering, Fisher, Ross (2022), Socio-Technical Learning: Contextualizing Undergraduate Externships To Bridge The Digital Divide, Iadis International Journal On Computer Science And Information Systems (ISSN: 1646-3692), <http://www.iadisportal.org/ijcsis/>

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Pickering, C, VanIngen-Dunn, C, Grierson, A, Tanguma, A, "KickStarter: Providing Hispanic Serving Community Colleges with Technical Assistance to Improve their Federal Funding Competitiveness", 2018 ASEE Annual Conference Proceedings, June 23, 2018

VanIngen-Dunn, C, Pickering C, McBride, P, Fick, V, Slisz, J, "Meeting STEM Workforce Demand in a Statewide Rural Community College Collaborative", 2018 ASEE Annual Conference Proceedings, June 23, 2018

C. VanIngen-Dunn, C. Pickering, L. Coyle, A. Grierson, S. Frimer and V. Fick, "Community College STEM Pathways Guide: A Collaborative Online System for Design and Implementation of STEM Pathway Programs," *2016 International Conference on Collaboration Technologies and Systems (CTS)*, Orlando, FL, 2016, pp. 158-164

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## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

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