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Don has over 28 years of experience with IBM. During this time he has held a wide range of technical, sales and management positions. Most of his career has been spent working closely with the higher education research community. He introduced the “IBM ThinkPad University” student mobile computing program in Canada in the early 1990’s. In 2003 he established IBM’s Life Sciences unit in Canada, working with medical researchers in universities and research hospitals across the country.

In April of 2012 Don was instrumental in launching the IBM Canada Research & Development Centre. The R&D Centre is unique in the IBM family of Research sites in that all of the research staff members are located on university campuses working collaboratively with university research personnel.

Don received a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Queen’s University in 1982; and, a Masters in Business Administration, also from Queen’s University, in 1984. He is the father of three children in their early twenties.