

## **Garrett T. Norman**

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### **Objective:**

To pursue a career focused on continuous improvement in lumber manufacturing.

### **Education:**

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Blacksburg, VA.  
M.S. Forestry and Forest Products. Expected December 2007.  
B.S. Wood Science and Forest Products. May 2005.

### **Experience:**

**Truss Engineer**, Timber Truss Housing Systems, Inc. Orange, VA. (June 2005 – August 2006)

- Designed and engineered roof and floor trusses using Truswal Systems software
- Coordinated with sales team, contractors and customers to guarantee product specification
- Prepared and released orders to manufacturing department
- Conversed with manufacturing department to ensure product met TPI standards
- Furnished truss layout schedule and communicated with builders if questions arose

**Internship**, Huntersville Hardwoods Inc. Huntersville, NC. (Summer 2004)

- Assisted with lumber stacking, grading, tallying, and kiln drying processes
- Set-up and operation of planers and rip-saws
- Gained experience in warehouse management, inventory, housekeeping and safety
- Provided assistance with inside and outside lumber sales
- Computer operations: Autolog, Access, Lumber Track and Green Tally

**Research Laboratory Assistant**, VA Tech Wood Science Department, Blacksburg, VA.  
(Summer 2003)

- Research specimen preparation
- Prepared and organized material for educational usage and website
- Operated table-saw, band-saw, radial arm saw, sander and planer
- Worked with wood shop manager on machine and shop operations

### **Honors:**

Recipient of Columbia Forest Products (2004), Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers, Inc. (2004), and Association of Woodworking and Furnishings Suppliers (2007) Scholarships.

### **Presentations:**

“Rough Mill Management for the Lean Customer”, *Forest Products Society 61st International Convention*, Knoxville, TN., June 10-13, 2007.