

# John Karasinski, Ph.D.

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## Education

- **University of California, Davis** **Davis, CA**  
*Ph.D. Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering* 2016 – 2020
    - [Concurrent Bandwidth Feedback for Complex Manual Control Tasks](#)
  - M.S. Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering* 2013 – 2016
    - [Real-Time Performance Feedback for the Manual Control of Spacecraft](#)
  - **University of California, Santa Cruz** **Santa Cruz, CA**  
*B.S. Physics* 2008 – 2012
    - High-energy astroparticle physics with the Fermi Gamma-ray Telescope
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## Experience

- **NASA Ames Research Center** **Moffett Field, CA**  
*Research AST, Human/Machine Systems* September 2020 – Current  
*NASA Pathways Intern* August 2017 – 2020
  - Human factors and human performance within the Human Systems Integration Division
  - NESC Mars Crew Size human performance modeling, HLS contract insight
  - Scheduling and planning tool development, design, and research with Playbook
  - Software development with Javascript, node, Python, Unity, and C#
- **UC Davis Center for Human/Robotics/Vehicle Integration and Performance** **Davis, CA**  
*Senior Researcher* May 2020 – Current  
*Graduate Student Researcher* November 2013 – 2020
  - Development and validation of methods to assess task performance in real-time and provide immediate feedback to improve mission outcomes for spaceflight operations
  - Customized refresher and just-in-time training for long-duration spaceflight crews
  - Simulation development for the analysis of human performance and human-automation interaction
  - Multiple human subject research campaigns
  - Computer-vision techniques for autonomous spacecraft rendezvous and docking
  - Optimal control theory for spacecraft attitude pointing
- **San José State University Research Foundation** **Moffett Field, CA**  
*Research Intern* June 2016 – August 2017
  - Designed and built a prototype of a mobile procedure viewer with the goals of reducing execution time, training time, and procedure execution errors for astronauts on the International Space Station
  - Directed design interns on prototyping, usability testing, analysis and feasibility tasks
  - Mentored software development interns learning Arduino, node, and Unity to accomplish tasks
  - Integrated HoloLens augmented reality display and ESP8266 hardware through a MQTT broker
  - Software development with Unity, node, and C++
- **Foodfully, Inc.** **Davis, CA**  
*Lead Software Developer* 2015-2018
  - Development of web, iOS, and Android mobile apps to reduce household food waste
  - Full-stack software development in Javascript, Meteor, MongoDB, and React
- **Teachers Curriculum Institute** **Mountain View, CA**  
*Software Developer* 2013-2015
  - Development of interactive science curriculum, comprehensive educational suite, and online store
  - Software development in JavaScript, HTML5, and Ruby on Rails

• **Handstand Inc.**  
Content Administrator

**Mountain View, CA**  
2011 – 2012

- Curated and published a library of over 2,000 creative commons and open source textbooks for free use (over 2 million views as of January 2017, see [https://archive.org/details/opensource\\_textbooks](https://archive.org/details/opensource_textbooks))
- Assisted with the design, creation, and quality assurance of both the mobile and web applications
- Selected science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) textbooks for use with Android education application
- Effectively managed small teams of 3-7 people to complete various start up projects

• **University of California, Santa Cruz**  
Undergraduate Student Researcher  
Junior Specialist

**Santa Cruz, CA**  
2010 – 2012

2009 – 2010, Balloon Campaigns 2011-13

- Search for ‘smoking gun’ signatures of dark matter in the galactic center
- High energy gamma-ray timing analyses with the Fermi Gamma Ray Telescope
- Computer-aided testing and evaluation of hardware and software for use on both test and final BARREL (Balloon Array for RBSP Relativistic Electron Losses) balloon campaigns
- Monitored data acquisition and performance of balloons during multiple campaigns to determine the electron loss rate during RBSP relativistic electron events

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## Selected Publications

Sarah M. O’Meara, **Karasinski, John A.**, Casey L. Miller, Sanjay S. Joshi, and Stephen K. Robinson. Effects of augmented feedback and motor learning adaptation on human–automation interaction factors. *Journal of Aerospace Information Systems*, 18(6):377–390, 2021. doi:[10.2514/1.1010915](https://doi.org/10.2514/1.1010915).

**Karasinski, John A.**, Isabel C. Torron Valverde, Holly L. Brosnahan, Jack W. Gale, Ron Kim, Melodie Yashar, and Jessica J. Marquez. Designing procedure execution tools with emerging technologies for future astronauts. *Applied Sciences*, 11(4), 2021. ISSN 2076-3417. doi:[10.3390/app11041607](https://doi.org/10.3390/app11041607).

**Karasinski, John**, Sherrie Holder, Stephen Robinson, and Jessica Marquez. Deep Space Human-Systems Research Recommendations for Future Human-Automation/Robotic Integration. 2020. URL <https://ntrs.nasa.gov/citations/20205004361>.

**John A. Karasinski** and Stephen K. Robinson. Utility of Concurrent Bandwidth Feedback in Training Aircraft Flight Tasks. *Proceedings of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Annual Meeting*, 63(1):1729–1733, 2019a. doi:[10.1177/1071181319631097](https://doi.org/10.1177/1071181319631097).

**John A. Karasinski** and Stephen K. Robinson. Evaluating Augmented Reality in a Three-Axis Manual Tracking Task. In *AIAA SciTech Forum*, 2019b. doi:[10.2514/6.2019-1227](https://doi.org/10.2514/6.2019-1227).

Jack Gale, **Karasinski, John**, and Steve Hillenius. Playbook for UAS: UX of Goal-Oriented Planning and Execution. In *Engineering Psychology and Cognitive Ergonomics*, pages 545–557. Springer International Publishing, 2018. ISBN 978-3-319-91122-9. doi:[10.1007/978-3-319-91122-9\\_44](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-91122-9_44).

**Karasinski, John A.**, Richard Joyce, Colleen Carroll, Jack Gale, and Steven Hillenius. An Augmented Reality/Internet of Things Prototype for Just-in-time Astronaut Training. In *Virtual, Augmented and Mixed Reality*, pages 248–260, Cham, 2017. Springer International Publishing. doi:[10.1007/978-3-319-57987-0\\_20](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-57987-0_20).

**John A. Karasinski**, Stephen K. Robinson, Patrick Handley, and Kevin R. Duda. Real-Time Performance Feedback in a Manually-Controlled Spacecraft Inspection Task. In *AIAA Modeling and Simulation Technologies Conference*, 2017. doi:[10.2514/6.2017-1314](https://doi.org/10.2514/6.2017-1314).

**Karasinski, John A.**, Stephen K. Robinson, Kevin R. Duda, and Zahar Prasov. Development of real-time performance metrics for manually-guided spacecraft operations. In *IEEE Aerospace Conference*, pages 1–9. IEEE, 2016. doi:[10.1109/AERO.2016.7500734](https://doi.org/10.1109/AERO.2016.7500734).

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## Core Technical Skills

**Core Languages:** Python, Javascript

**Additional Languages:** C#, FORTRAN, C++, R, MATLAB, Simulink, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, jQuery, Ruby on Rails, HTML5, CSS3

**Development Environments:** Linux, macOS, Windows, Android, iOS