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Career Panel: Aerospace and Systems Engineering

Two high-level industry experts will share their perspectives on pathways into aerospace and systems engineering careers at organizations such as NASA, JPL, Boeing, Kodak Space Systems, Ball Aerospace, and smaller start-up companies. Our panelists are Janet Barth, former chief of electrical engineering at NASA, and Dennis Thompson, PhD, retired senior staff scientist at Kodak Space Systems and St. Olaf physics major, Class of 1968. This event is co-hosted by Prof. Brian Borovsky (Physics / Engineering Studies) and Paul Edwards (Piper Center), with sponsorship from the IEEE. You will learn about the increasing demand for engineers trained to work on space systems, the impact of undergraduate and graduate education over the course of a career, the day-to-day nature of working in these fields, and the roles of internships and networking when starting out. Q & A with the audience will be an essential part of this event.

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