

ELLIOT TRAPP

SOFTWARE & MISSION OPERATIONS ENGINEER

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE



NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Software and Mission Operations Engineer

January 2019 - Present

Mars Sample Return Lander (SRL) Flight Software Developer

- Delivered python autocode modules to write C flight software for the SRL project enabling telemetry uplink and downlink from the surface of Mars.

Mars 2020 Entry Descent & Landing Visualization Developer

- Integrated orbiter telemetry, empowering the world to witness the real-time location of the MRO and MAVEN orbiters on landing night.

Operational Cloud Store (OCS) Cognizant Engineer

- Developed and deployed AWS infrastructure utilizing services including S3, OpenSearch, DynamoDB, APIGateway, CloudFormation EC2, ECS, and more, facilitating secure data transmission between 27 engineering teams and diverse international partners.
- Defined Infrastructure as Code (IaC) practices and produced dozens of Terraform and Serverless modules across the Europa Clipper mission, contributing to ongoing optimizations in DevOps practices and security.
- Conducted training sessions on operations topics, fostering team knowledge in system administration and cloud operations.

Distributed Object Manager Operational Lead

- Spearheaded the implementation of a new Ground Data System (GDS) paradigm, overhauling the command product uplink pipeline in use by 12 active flight missions.
- Led a high-performing team of 4 engineers and three cohorts of interns to provide mission-critical support for 12 flight projects, ensuring operational excellence and reliability.

NASA Johnson Space Center, Software Engineering Intern

August 2018 - January 2019

- Developed a sophisticated Recurrent Neural Network model to classify astronaut cognitive workload using pupillometry image data, enhancing space mission safety and efficiency.

SKILLS



Python	Perl	Elastic/OpenSearch	S3	Cloudformation	Jenkins	Project Management
Javascript	Terraform	Lambda	IAM	Docker	HTML/CSS	Training & Development
C	Serverless	EC2	APIGateway/R53	Puppet	System Engineering	
Ruby	AWS	ECS	Cloudwatch	JIRA		

EDUCATION



Master of Science, Computer Science

2016 - 2018

DePaul University, Chicago

Master of Arts, Philosophy

2012 - 2015

The New School for Social Research, New York

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy & Political Science

2007 - 2011

DePaul University, Chicago

CERTIFICATIONS



AWS Advanceduser

January 2021

AWARDS



NASA JPL Voyager Award

April 2022

NASA JPL Team Award

Sept 2022

NASA JPL Team Award

June 2022

NASA JPL Team Award

Sept 2021