



"Participating in DVSF was a significant contributor in shaping me into the engineer that I am today. DVSF provided the skill sharpening that is required for a student to take their own work and skills to the next level. One of the most important aspects of DVSF is meeting new people with similar ambitions; I was humbled to have met and traded ideas with some of the brightest students in the world. This experience helped pave the way for me to earn a Bachelor's degree in Aerospace Engineering from the Florida Institute of Technology with a scholarship earned through the fair.

Following college, I become the lead engineer on SpaceX's landing and recovery team and now manage the launch operations team at Relativity Space in Cape Canaveral.

Without DVSE, none of this would have been possible."

Joseph Bussenger
Director of Launch Operations at Relativity Space

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At DVSF, Joe earned the opportunity to view a shuttle launch and was inspired to pursue a degree in Aerospace Engineering at Florida Institute of Technology.

Joe began his career at SpaceX as the lead engineer for recovery and landing operations. After 10 years at SpaceX, Joe moved to Relativity Space and is the Director of Launch Operations where his team launches 3D printed rockets like Terran 1.

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