Veteran astronaut Jim Voss has returned from space, back to Auburn University, to play a key role in achieving the vision of the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering—to take our place among the nation's engineering elite. As a teacher of spacecraft design, he is enhancing the education of tomorrow's engineers and astronauts.

An Auburn engineering degree led Jim Voss into space. His love of Auburn led him home.

He joins a faculty of scholars like Tony Overfelt of materials engineering, whose microgravity instrumentation research is scheduled for launch to the International Space Station. Overfelt mentors students like Joshua Clanton of the USA Today 2004 All-USA College Academic Team, who helped develop the software for Overfelt's research.

Our undergraduate program is 3,000 students strong. We comprise the largest engineering program in Alabama and rank third among public universities in the Southeast. We offer the nation’s first and only bachelor’s degree in wireless engineering. And Jim Voss is only one of four astronauts we’ve educated. We continue to lead. We work toward our vision. Space is not our final destination.

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