

BIOGRAPHY



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Chris Deel is the director of Advanced Programs and chief architect for United Launch Alliance (ULA). In this role, Deel is responsible for defining the product evolution roadmap from concept definition through detailed design. He also oversees the chief engineer teams for Advanced Programs and Major Development. Deel most recently served as the chief engineer for Major Development.

Prior to this position, Deel was the deputy chief engineer for the Atlas program and the chief engineer for Delta propulsion systems. Before joining ULA, Deel served as the Launch Vehicle Integration Lead for Lockheed Martin's Orbital Space Plane development program.

Deel has led two significant anomaly investigations and supported the activation of two launch pads. He began his career with Martin Marietta in 1994 as a flight dynamics engineer on the Atlas program.

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