



## Live Q&A Session

If your question wasn't answered live on the night, we have tried to capture and answer it below.

Question	Answer
<b>Is it hard to get the job or being an astronaut?</b>	Becoming an astronaut is very competitive. When NASA accepts applications, which is not every year, they will receive thousands of applications for a handful of slots. Once you are accepted, you become an "Astronaut Candidate" which is like an apprentice. You don't actually become an "Astronaut" until you've flown in space.
<b>Can an astrophysicist work at the ISS?</b>	This FAQ about astronaut selection gives you more details about what they are looking for at NASA: <a href="https://www.nasa.gov/feature/frequently-asked-questions-0/">https://www.nasa.gov/feature/frequently-asked-questions-0/</a>
<b>Question for Shannon - do you see the continued rise of cooperation between private space technology companies and larger government organizations like NASA or ESA leading to further opportunities for non-space-traditional fields? Thanks</b>	Absolutely! Partnerships between private space companies and Government Agencies will foster a large growth in jobs across the space sector.
<b>Do we have to move to America in order to work for NASA?</b>	Not necessarily. Did you know we have a NASA facility in Canberra? It's our Tidbinbilla Space Communications Complex. You could work there, or at our space communications facility in Spain.
<b>Do NASA or any of the other major space agencies use Neural Network systems on any of the missions?</b>	I have no idea...