

CFG Recruitment - End-of-Year 2007 Script

(music-inspirational/funny)

Jake: Disclaimer: The skit you're about to see consists of professional actors and not actual CFG group members. It is a dramatization of life in the CFG. The dialog is 100% fictional and meant to be taken light-heartedly. The following skit is rated TotalBS.

Mike: Hi. You might remember me from previous CFG skits where I was a golf ball balancer, air-bassist, weather man in a newscast, and investigative reporter showing the cold-hearted truth of what actually goes on in the CFG. Today, I've taken a few moments of time away from making another powerpoint presentation to bring you an important message.

Mike: Have you ever felt like you're not accomplishing all you could with your intelligence? Do you have lots of experience breaking things? Do you feel you're better than other computational fracture mechanics? Are you an expert on crack? Well, then CFG might be right for you.

Mike: The CFG's glamorous and high-powered world of fracture mechanics offers the greatest advantages of learning and lush accommodations:

Erin: The Beer Fridge!!! and Couch

Jeff: Reserved table at the Souvlaki House

Jake: Annual End of Year Christmas Meeting and Box Seats to Cornell Baseball Games

Mike: The CFG is a strong competitor in intramural sports:

Jeff: 5-time runner-up in intramural softball

Erin: In basketball, we've won at least one game in the past two seasons

Jake: In the near future we plan to organize chess and synchronized swimming teams

Mike: The CFG also has great fringe benefits:

Jake: Very short hours, I've only worked 140 hours in a week once

Jeff: I'm not even going to work on Christmas this year

Erin: Extremely high pay, I didn't even need to take a loan out from my parents this year

Mike: In this group, you will benefit from learning under an advisor and Research Associates with many years of experience in fracture mechanics:

Jake: Our Advisor, Dr. Anthony Ingraffea – Did his Ph.D. research on predicting the nasal failure of the sphinx, and was latter the chief engineer to the Holy Roman Empire.

Jeff: Dr. Wash - Has been here since the flood ... No, seriously. He modeled fracture of Noah's Arc, and insisted that many animals exceeded the design load of the structure.

Erin: and Dr. Bruce Carter, who you certainly know as the famous "Canadian Rock Ace"

Mike: All of this is especially notable because their computational methods were applied at a time when neither computers nor the finite element method had been developed yet.

Mike: In the CFG, you will also be able to perfect your skills at the semi-annual weekly meetings:

Erin: I spent two hours learning how to write an introduction slide

Jake: Learn about the human side of fracture mechanics – including the behavior of bears in Alaska

Jeff: Another human moment from the past that I remember was a former member of the group recounting in detail how he killed a goose – it was very warm and heartfelt

Mike: During these meetings and at all other times, CFG members are taught how to refine their grammar and communication skills:

Jake: I have wrote many papers since I've been in the group. In Jeff and I's current paper we learned the difference between principle and principal.

Jeff: Among me and Jake, we learned the difference between less and fewer – which we have taught Erin.

Erin: That's right, I have been taught by esteemed colleagues how to use less words more rightly. This means I can use less words and be more precise. By being more precise allows to use less words ... Wait, did I just say the same thing three times. Anyways, to be precise, accurate, appropriate, and efficient you have to use words good.

Mike: So this would be good for students who want to learn how to talk good and do other stuff good too.

Mike: CFG members participate in a non-biased education

All: Adaptative Remeshing: GOOD

All: XFEM: BAD

Mike: If you become a member of the CFG, you will love how you are able to associate with group members with localized expertise in many fields, including:

Mike: Red Sox stats

Jeff: Did you know that David Ortiz leads the AL in VORP on Thursdays

Mike: Underground music

Jake: I can name thousands of bands that are better than the Beatles

Mike: And interior Decorating

Erin: I can teach you how to keep your office organized and neat, just watch your step when you enter my office.

Mike: We also have experts in weather prediction and continuously updating the ESPN and CNN homepages:

Erin: This is where I keep up to date with quality news, like what's going on with Britney and K-Fed

Mike: Finally, in the CFG you will also be able to expand your educational horizons:

Erin: Spend months working on videos for the government

Jake: Yes – the government just wants things to look really good, but doesn't care about the engineering that went into it.

Jeff: Spend days writing a script for a Christmas party

Mike: You get all of this at the cost of very few requirements for group membership:

Erin: You must be excited to kill stuff, except fish, we just make them late

Jeff: No history of steroid or HGH use – and republicans need not apply

Mike: The only performance enhancing drugs allowed are caffeine and alcohol. With that said, I must get back to my powerpoint presentation.

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Jake: Disclaimer: Bachelors Degree preferred, not required – 8th grade education will be considered

Jake: Group diversity – 1 girl, 1 redhead – 50% minorities