

Don't Vote Until You Read This 30 Reasons to GET OUT of CFS Now

1. CFS spent over \$3000 of your money to sent three CFSers on a junket to Mexico for a conference called "Social Reform, Agriculture and Democracy".

2. CFS spent more money fighting pull out referenda last year than on educational campaigns.

3. CFS endorsed an International Socialist rally at Lloyd Axworthy's own home, where protesters chanted obscenities at his 9-year old son.

4. **INEFFECTIVE LOBBYING:** CFS has met with more union presidents than MPs last year.

5. A motion stating "CFS members have the right to have a direct say into CFS policy" was defeated at last years CFS meeting.

6. CFS met with only 9 members of Parliament the first half of 1994-95.

7. Breaking down the CFS budget, this means that students paid \$52,300 for every meeting with an MP.

8. Over 60% of the CFS Budget goes to executive, staff, and office expenses.

9. Last year, CFS spent more money opposing NAFTA than they did to get increased funding for summer employment programs.

10. In 1994, the CFS Deputy Chair spent more hours in Mexico than on Parliament Hill.

11. At the May 1994 CFS Meeting, the policy which took up the most debate was on a boycott of Pepsi products.

12. The TD Bank was so concerned over CFS mismanagement that they cut the CFS line of credit by 41%

13. **DEMOCRACY IN ACTION:** A motion stating that CFS executives should be directly accountable to the students they represent was defeated by CFS.

14. **CFS IN DECLINE:**
Number of national campaigns in 1991-92: 9
Number of national campaigns in 1994-95: 1

15. **DEMOCRACY IN ACTION:** New Brunswick schools submitted over 60 motions aimed at reforming CFS. The were allowed to debate less than 15.

16. **DEMOCRACY IN ACTION:** At a recent CFS meeting, members were not allowed to ask questions about a \$1,000,000 budget before voting on it.

17. **DEMOCRACY IN ACTION:** At the 1995 May meeting, members were not allowed to ask questions of the elected executive members.

18. Rather than letting students think for themselves, CFS takes a stand for all students on abortion and the death penalty.

19. **MORE INEFFECTIVE LOBBYING:** Last year CFS did not attend either committee hearings on the social policy reforms or pre-budget consultations with the finance department.

20. The CFS Deputy Chair recently identified as key student issues: "Wal-Mart exploding in Canada . . . plain packaging of cigarettes, and parties contesting the Mexican elections.

21. The BC wing of CFS once ran a campaign favouring the legalization of marijuana.

22. In the past six years, CFS has spent more money on anti-Gulf War campaigns that to promote affordable child care on campus.

23. Recent CFS Executive junkets have included Amsterdam, Havana, England, Prague and Mexico.

24. When Bill C-28, the bill making over 20 amendments to the Canada Student Assistance Act was being debated, CFS did not arrange meetings with one single MP.

25. **CFS Research Fact:** CFS produces fewer statistics updates for its members than are available from Stats Can for \$55/yr.

26. CFS refused to endorse the White Ribbon Campaign because it is "too patriarchal and hierarchical."

27. Last year CFS spent \$41,000 of your money to fly CFSers to your campuses to tell students how to vote.

28. Last year CFS spent more on referendum campaigns than on education campaigns.

29. When Bill S-7, the bill relating to a tax write-off for donations made to American universities was being debated, CFS did not take any action.

30. When some schools voted not to take part in a CFS strike, CFS recruited the International Socialists, a non-student group, to go to those campuses and pretend to speak for those students.

QUOTE:

"I always told students to stay in CFS for two reasons -- it is democratic and does good lobby work. What can I say now that they do no work on Parliament Hill, develop no new policy, use embarrassing goon tactics at rallies, and abuse their own Constitution on Policies to protect the power of its leaders. All I can say is, sadly, the only way to save the student voice is to pull out and give CFS the mercy killing they have so richly earned." -- Kelly Lamrock, former CFS Chair 1991-93

So, What Can You Do With That Degree, Anyway?

by Panther Prints Staff

Well, who would have thought it -- our parents were right. If you go to university and finish your degree there will be a job out there for you! This is the first installment of a new column for the *Panther Prints* profiling recent graduates of UPEI who have found good jobs in their chosen fields. Alumni with Bachelors of Arts, Science, Business and Nursing will be represented.

This week's graduate is Shannon Younker. She graduated Class of 1995 and is now employed with Diagnostic Chemicals Limited, doing biochemical research. Younker received a Bachelor of Science degree, with a major in Biology and a minor in Chemistry.



A life-long resident of Prince Edward Island, Younker chose UPEI for both practical and personal reasons. It was the best choice financially, as she earned an entrance scholarship and the location allowed her to save money by remaining at home. Comfort was also a factor. UPEI's small population and familiarity made the transition from secondary to post-secondary school as smooth as the transition to high school from junior high.

Younker told us she doesn't regret a minute of her four years at UPEI. "I have rarely felt anything but pride for my alma mater," she replied when asked about the relative quality of a degree from the University of Prince Edward Island. "I feel that I could hold my own against scientists holding BScs from any university in Canada." Younker's opinion is that the value of one's university career arrives from the relationship one forms with his or her classmates and professors and the honest effort put into achieving one's best. What counts most is not the institution, but the individual.

At Diagnostic Chemicals, she began as a research assistant during a four month summer placement made possible by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Council of Canada (NSERC). Upon completion of that term, she was rehired for an additional six months. DCL Canada employs approximately 80 people at their plants in West Royalty, this number swells to nearly 100 during the summer when students arrive.

"The company is thriving. After six months I'm no longer the new kid on the block," Younker reported to us. The business prepares diagnostic kits for hospital use, as well as selling fine chemicals and enzymes. It is in enzyme research that Younker is employed.

"I would recommend UPEI to any prospective student pondering university and I would recommend science to any student looking for direction." Younker also informed the *Panther Prints* she would definitely choose to study Biology and Chemistry again if she were transported back in time.

"This position is better than any I expected to get when I walked out of my final exams last April," explained Younker. "I am very happy with my situation and with this experience, things can only go up from here."