

Will you accept this rose?

Interest Group Bachelor/Bachelorette Speed Dating

Task:

You are a leader of an American interest group. Your task is to research your interest group (you will produce a dating profile that will be graded), and seek potential matches {interest groups} with whom you have similar goals (lobbying, litigation, legislation, electioneering). You want to find other interest groups that you “match” with so you can be a coalition and have more influence!

Step 1:

Where to start: The interest group’s website, Opensecrets.org , Other scholarly sites for your Interest group and include them on your dating profile under “OTHER”.

-You need to be able to answer the following:

1. What are the goals of your interest group?
2. How do you best achieve your goals: lobbying, litigation, legislation, electioneering?
3. What success(s) and/or failure(s) does your group have in the public policy arena? - If you have been successful getting major legislation passed (or blocked), describe this victory. If you have been successful using litigation to achieve your goals, describe a successful court case. If you have been successful in electioneering, discuss how you achieved this victory.
4. How much money does your interest group have and how is the money used?
5. Include a quotation to best describe your interest group.
6. What type of Interest group? What ideology is your interest group?
7. An appropriate ‘limo entrance’ pick up line to intro your interest group leader/organization.

Step 2: Create a Dating Profile

Use the template to create a dating profile for your interest group. Make the profile match your Interest Group’s personality. Be sure to include all the required information (see rubric and template to help).

Step 3: ‘Your Journey’ (First Impression & Group Date)

Step 4: Proposal

Of the interest groups you met with today, which interest group supports/helps your agenda? Which Interest group is your best “match”? Which was your least likely match? Use evidence to justify your answer.

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<p>Interest Group Logo/Image</p>	<p>IG Name:</p> <p>Nickname:</p> <p>From:</p> <p>Age (when est):</p> <p>Hobbies:</p> <p>Five words to describe yourself:</p>
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Why are you here: write a few sentences for the goal(s) of your group AND include how you'll achieve those goals:

<p>Summary/Background Information: Write a paragraph of the group's history and significance in the public policy arena of the United States. If you directly quote from the website, use quotation marks.</p>	<p>Major Accomplishments: • What legislation did your group help pass/block? • What Supreme Court cases did you support/oppose? • If litigation is your group's major tactic, then briefly explain a few key cases.</p>
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Additional Skills: How much money does your group have/spend on lobbying? How else is money used? What PAC does your group have and where does the PAC money go? What government agencies/sectors are important to your group?

Additional Info

Memorable Quotation or Motto:

Dislikes:

What am I looking for in a partner?

My ideal date:



Sources: