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Abstract

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The general format is:

Level of education | Field | Speciality or Subfield (optional)

When applying for a flair, please inform us on what you want it to say.

HOW DOES ONE OBTAIN FLAIR?

First, have a college degree or higher.

Next, send an email with your information to redditscienceflair@gmail.com with information that establishes your claim, this can be a photo of your diploma or course registration, a business card, a verifiable email address, or some other identification.

Please include the following information:

Username:

Flair text: Degree level | Degree area | Speciality

Flair class:

for example:

Username: nate Flair text: PhD | Chemistry | Synthetic Organic Flair Class: chemistry

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Is there any specialty missing on the mod team that you are actively looking for? Like a phd in interstellar travel with a minor in alien languages?

[EngineeredStrength](#)

I think we have pretty much everything covered.

What textbooks/texts do you recommend for anything science related? I would deeply appreciate your expert recommendations. Don't worry about technicalities.

[StopHelpingMe](#)

I really love [Principles and Applications of Organotransition Metal Chemistry](#), also known as "Collman and Hegedus"

How do you get perfect skin?

[StopHelpingMe](#)

Some have tried skinning children, but that's not really socially acceptable.

Sun screen from an early age is important, you can't really get skin quality back once it's lost, but you start with damned near perfect skin. Just look at baby skin, soft and smooth; everything you might want.

how are you?

[aRandomGuyOnTheNet](#)

I'm at my in-laws house, so I've been better. The heat was set at 55 F last night and my mother in law doesn't know what a real blanket is. I woke up shivering at 4 am this morning.

Could you guys make me a premium scientist? I don't want to do all the hard work.

[yourmydinner](#)

Follow Neil Degrasse Tyson's example then. (I know, shots fired!)

Where do babies come from...

[Gamikatsu](#)

My wife was told by her mother that they come out of mom's belly button. Baby boomers...

Does this subreddit really need so many moderators?

[CitizenCold](#)

Yes, the system we use depends on it.