Don't panic, there's always law school

After four wonderful years here at Charles River Community College, many seniors will be taking the dreaded leap into the Real World, but not before facing one final ordeal: the job interview.

The job interview is similar to most activities pursued by MIT undergraduates in one important respect: One can fake a job interview just as easily as one can fake a required course in senior year. Signing up for (or the interview (registering for the course), creatively embellishing the resume (submitting recycled problem sets), and arriving ten minutes early to study the company (reading ten chapters of thermo the night before the final) are all steps essential to getting a diploma as well as obtaining gainful employment.

The analogy is not quite perfect, however. The actual face-to-face confrontation with the interviewer remains. Bear in mind the interviewers are human, and may not be entirely free of prejudice as regards your sex, major, choice of living group, etc.

There is nothing like having your interviewer start with, "Let me see, isn't your fraternity that gives pledges peanut-butter em-"...