NM Jerjis Kapra (CFC 2373; FIDE 2102)

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NM Jerjis Kapra has been winning tournaments in Halifax for many years and now finds himself the #2 CFC rated player in the Maritimes. The 20-year-old is currently attending Dalhousie University, studying Electrical Engineering.

This summer Jerjis is doing an internship at the Wind Turbine Institute in Tignish, PE, which hopefully will be to the benefit of his on the Island.

Jerjis writes on his LinkedIn page

“As an electrical engineering student, I’m learning how logical thinking, pattern recognition, optimization, and design come together to solve complex problems. As a long-time competitive chess player, I’ve always noticed the parallels between engineering and the game I’ve played since I was six. In both, you break down complicated challenges into smaller, manageable steps and address them one “move” at a time. You anticipate obstacles, plan ahead, optimize limited resources and stay resilient under pressure.

While researching the impacts of climate change on offshore wind turbines, I saw how essential it is to anticipate challenges and design with future risks in mind. That experience reinforced my belief that the strategic mindset I developed over years of competitive chess can translate directly into innovative, real-world engineering solutions. I’m excited to apply the skills I’ve honed on the board to the practical problems facing our world today.”

Jerjis has a chess channel on YouTube.

He writes

Hi, my name is Jerjis and I am currently a national master at 2370 CFC and 2102 FIDE. My immediate goals include achieving the CM title and achieving a 2200+ Fide Rating. I hope to take everyone along in my chess journey whether you are a beginner or a veteran player. I also hope to introduce many new chess players through my vlogs and my chess basics series. If you enjoy my channel, be sure to share with a friend!

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