

# "New Factor in Campus Sexual Assault Cases: Counsel for the Accused" —New York Times Article

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Key Quote:

"For decades, activists have argued that campus policies were biased against accusers, who are typically women; that the officials who run the investigations lacked training; that assailants were absolved far too easily. (One recent study determined that among students found by their colleges to have committed sexual assault, fewer than one third were expelled.) Now, defense lawyers are denouncing inconsistent standards and inadequate training, but they arrive at the opposite conclusion: The system is biased, the lawyers say, against men."

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sir\_wankalot\_here • 18 points • 20 November, 2014 01:27 AM

This rape thing has turned into a major industry. A classic example of create a problem then find profitable solutions to fix it.

[deleted] • 19 points • 19 November, 2014 09:24 PM

How can people walk around knowing that colleges have reverted to McCarthyism in order to cover their asses. Higher education in the US is slowly becoming one big expensive joke.

Ferelden • 1 point • 20 November, 2014 02:23 AM

More women attend colleges...and we know the men aint fighting back against this shit. What is there to do BUT cover your ass. If I were dean of a college I'd do the exact same thing.

sir\_wankalot\_here • 1 point • 20 November, 2014 01:35 AM\*

To be a naive young innocent individual. I used to have the same qualms. This is the harsh reality. 95% of people out there are sheep. On some level they know that it is a load of BS, but they would rather huddle together and go Baaa Baaa Baaa instead of doing something about it. When I used to be your age I figuratively speaking used to be a vegetarian. How do I walk around now days ? I walk around very well thank you. Sheep skin is nice is soft, and it makes good boot and gloves. Sheep wool if processed properly makes nice suits and sweaters. And mutton if cooked properly tastes very good.

So to answer your question. I walk around quite nicely in my sheep skin boots wearing my sheep skin gloves. And my sheep wool suit is very fashionable. Ofcourse I like to eat mutton regularly also. But thank you for asking and your concern.

bakbakgoeshertthroat • 4 points • 20 November, 2014 02:27 AM

Do you wear howling wolf shirts underneath?

Elodrian • 2 points • 20 November, 2014 06:37 PM

I'm not from the US and I don't understand how this works. If a person is accusing another person of rape, why is he being tried by the University? Isn't this a police matter? And if the accusations don't merit a court case, why do the accused not press charges (with the police, not the university) for defamation of character, slander, libel, perjury, whatever else? If someone falsely accused me of sexual assault, after clearing my name I would make it my mission to *destroy* that person.

krakosia • 2 points • 20 November, 2014 08:01 PM

Because feminism. They created a hysteria around a rape epidemic in universities. Then Barrack Obama tied financial assistance to universities to how they handle rape cases. Now universities are incentivized to handle rape cases in house and the more the women friendly results the better the chances of keeping funding.

Elodrian • 2 points • 20 November, 2014 09:46 PM

I believe you, but that doesn't make any sense. Rape is regarded a serious crime but when a woman goes to the authorities, no one calls the police? By not going to the proper authorities, is the university not tacitly acknowledging that the rape allegation is most likely bullshit?

Dark\_Shroud • 4 points • 21 November, 2014 01:10 AM

Many times the police are called if you look up the cases. The problem is the police see a difference between being raped from drugs or via force as opposed to getting drunk and agreeing to have sex with a guy who is also usually drunk. So in the later cases the police will not pursue the case. Because its regret sex and not rape.

krakosia • 1 point • 21 November, 2014 01:45 PM

What /u/Dark\_Shroud said below. Also with police getting involved the underlying assumption is innocent until proven guilty but with the "university courts" its the other way round. There needs to be just enough evidence to show that the accused might be guilty and there are no lawyers involved and no fallback options for the accused. So the cards are stacked against the accused.

cover20 • 1 point • 19 November, 2014 11:38 PM

And I was just in an office where the receptionist has a 4 year degree, but he says his lucky break that was life-changing was getting this job as a receptionist.

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hologramfeeny • 2 points • 20 November, 2014 03:39 AM

There's a lot of well paying jobs out there, people don't want it or are blinded by everyone saying the good jobs are in offices.

Shit if you learn to drive trucks and save up to buy your own you'll be making six figures pretty quick. Trades are where its at right now, not going to college and bankrupting yourself.

Ferelden • 1 point • 20 November, 2014 02:55 AM

I'm a process engineer. This is so true. I'm learning it on the side with plans to get into process control, there is so much money there without shit hours being required.