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Michigan Law to Drop to No. 11: Class of 2006 Officially Apologizes

Michigan Law's U.S. News & World Report ranking will drop to number eleven in the country next month, and critics point the finger directly at the class of 2006.

U.S. News & World Report Rankings are based on many independent factors such as student satisfaction, curriculum, and bar passage rates.

"I blame the lack of wireless," said a 3L, who requested not to be named. "Not being able to engage in an in-class sidebar online discussion about course material, the Cubs, and the professor's choice of attire really hurt my level of class engagement."

"This is the end of the world," said a 2L, who was unable to recall his name. "I'm never going to get a job. My degree is now absolutely, completely worthless, and I don't even have it yet. If I had a girlfriend, she'd break up with me."

"Don't tell Skadden," the 2L added. "Oh god, please don't tell Skadden. Hopefully they won't find out."

The class of 2006 sent an immediate apology to the lawopen listserve. "Were very, very sorrie (sic)," said the e-mail. "We were totally wasted when we took



Seen here: The current 3L class in its natural environment. Rick's.

that U.S. News & World Report test."

"But," the e-mail added in a postscript, "if anyone has a good Tax outline to share, it would be greatly appreciated." The plea included an assurance that the entire graduating class is taking Tax pass/fail.

Officials with the U.S. News and World Report cited several "questionable" answers on the student satisfaction survey given to the class of 2006. Some questionnaires listed "Dominick's" as a "favorite class," and "whenever the wireless blocker isn't working" as a "strength of classroom discussion."

Rick's American Café, on South University, has also been cited as a possible cause. "We left too many good brain cells there," one 3L said. "But dude, at least two of those sorostitutes were totally into me. That one girl said that she'd totally date me if she weren't already engaged to Michael Phelps. And he has like ten gold medals! All I have is this dumb book award. In Bloodfeuds!"

Students at peer Universities rejoiced. "Our troubles are over!" read one Duke University law student's blog on www.myherocoachk.blogspot.com. "The ACC reigns supreme in all ways, forever! And by that I mean in basketball only. And even then... actually, wait."

"I don't know what the big deal is," said a student from Michigan's Ross School of Business. "It's just what some dumb magazine thinks about your school. Who cares?" He added, "Get over yourselves, you self-important jackasses. Geez."

The business student then drove off in a German automobile with this reporter's girlfriend in the passenger seat.

Consensus on campus is that Michigan's U.S. News & World Report ranking can only be increased if current 1Ls and 2Ls