

# Campus fashion found wanting

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times, they are a chance but peoples' wardrobes to be stuck in the tran-



sition.

Being in college generally means worrying about grades, not clothing. But nonetheless, there should be some general guidelines to follow. Let's go over the top five fashion faux pas, shall we?

**1. Furry Boots:** We live in Oregon, not with the Inuit's. The danger of frostbite is low enough that these boots can be set aside. Think of all the puppets' lives that will be spared when people stop buying these boots!

**2. Camouflage stuff:** Unless you are trying to hide from a Charlie, there is no need for trying to

blend into the scenery. For extra brownie points, avoid different colors of camo, like pink and orange. Living on the sun is the only time when someone would possibly need orange camo.

**3. The Matrix look:** This will make a lot of people angry, but it has to be said: the Matrix isn't real! The movie Grandma's Boy is a perfect example of the social suicide that can occur when a person plays too far into this fantasy. Plus, wearing your sunglasses at night hasn't been cool since the 80s.

**4. Gardening Clogs, aka CROCS:** Many small,

elderly ladies in England are missing thousands of pairs of these. Please, help these women and stop wearing their shoes. What use are shoes riddled with holes anyways? Socks with sandals also fall into this category. The only people who have a reasonable excuse to wear them are those who have just had orthopedic surgery and

tourists visiting Disney World for the first time.

**5. Tie-dye anything:** Tie-dye clothing was originally created in the time of peace and love. That ship has sailed, and so should these monstrosities. Exceptions to this rule are children, and that's it.

College does not need to be the runway, but these simple rules will help ensure that the fashion police won't come and curb stomp people with their Minolo Blaniks.



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## Kids outside ASG: Please grow up

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There is a group of students that hangs around the Community Center.

They're hard to miss. Their clothes are alternative, not counter-culture. But that's not what bugs me. I can live with blue hair, Misfits T-shirts and pale, skinny kids; simply put, that doesn't even draw my attention.

"FUCK!" was heard across campus the other day. It was uttered by someone from this group.

"I totally \*@#\* him off, and then he &#^@ me in the SS!" is just an example.

I love profanity. It's great and useful, especially when describing sexual escapades. Do you know what? I just don't want to hear it when you're buying a Coke at the ASG offices. I certainly don't want to hear about bowel movements, or the results of bowel movements, after getting my triple-shot mocha in the cafeteria.

The group I speak of contains the remnants of a

group that was disciplined last spring for inappropriate behavior, as well as new college students this fall.

I spoke with Ellen Wolfson, co-chair of counseling; she told me that complaints about the students have filtered to her.

"It's been a general conversation among staff members," said Wolfson. "Most of the comments have been about the group outside the cafeteria and the ASG offices."

Complaints about sexual harassment have been brought up, but Wolfson said those were matters handled by campus safety.

"That's just information that's starting to be explored," said Wolfson.

Mindy Brown, adviser for ASG, has witnessed the group's antics. That stands to reason since her office faces the spot where it congregates.

Brown and Wolfson are concerned over how comfortable students feel around campus.

"If any group tries to take over an area, sometimes people don't feel comfortable

walking past," said Brown. "This is what we're trying to make known to that particular group, and that there is appropriate behavior on campus."

Damn straight! Act your age, people. Come on, we've passed the counter-culture of the '60s; the punk thing died out with Blink-182, and leave rudeness to Rush Limbaugh.

I think I speak for many when I say clean up your language. Stop talking about where you got poked last weekend and how drunk you got, and stop giving cigarettes to high school kids - they don't belong here!

I sound like an old shrew, I know, but if students aren't responsible enough to hold their tongue or speak softly, I don't think they should be allowed on campus for a moment.

I challenge anyone from this group to write in and defend themselves. Any use of the phrase "freedom of speech" will be laughable, so you might want to really try on this one.

Just don't strain yourself when trying to think of words that aren't four letters.

## Cry for consumer civility

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It is called a scourge upon humanity by some. Others know it as the source of nightmares and headaches. A small few call it the best shopping day of the year.

That's right; Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, where the only thing more titanic than the frightening crowds are how low the prices are.

It takes a very special kind of person to brave such terrifying gatherings at any shopping center - specifically, the insane kind.

Black Friday lives up to its name, for it is truly a black mark upon all mankind. When otherwise fairly normal people will literally trample each other for the newest "hot" item, how can Americans as a whole not shake their heads in disgust?

Anyone who's waited in line for a new videogame system knows that people can act not just crazy, but violent. But really, humanity has evolved past the point of having to trip, club, elbow, stamp the feet of others and, in a few select cases, actually pull a gun on another human being in order to get a new toy for oneself or a loved one.

But just because we've seen the behavior before doesn't mean that it's acceptable; in fact, it's quite the opposite. We shouldn't condone these acts; we should punish those who commit them. Just because items have been marked down doesn't give anyone the right to act like they are the only one who is shopping.

So please, I'm appealing to every single one of you, not just as a fellow human being, but also as a fellow shopper: if you decide to go out shopping on Black Friday, try not to act totally batshit insane.



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