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WHILE I WAS not victim to the torment of hours of study on account of final exams (I had a couple in class tests and a few final papers), I have heard numerous opinions of disgust over ordeals faced by others after taking that long walk away from the exam tables. It appears some students feel wronged by those in charge of educating us. I am sure most of us are aware of what I am asserting: we have oft been, for lack of a better term, "tricked" by professors leading up to and during the exam. Specifically, I have in the past been outraged by examinations promised by these prominent professors

who I'm sure have a lofty chuckle at the expense of the poor students forced to spend countless hours bent over desks, pencil and eraser in hand, wishing, hoping, praying for simply the best case scenario.

One dear friend upon emerging from a particularly nerve-racking exam told me he was outraged upon sitting down in front of his final only to find his professor had unexpectedly flip-flopped on a previous statement.

According to my friend, he was assured no question on the exam would exceed a certain amount of the final percentage mark on the test. Much to his dismay, the deal was broken.

I too have felt the cold hand of betrayal on my shoulder from our friends with the fancy offices, with one professor telling us to study up on a question presented in class, as it will undoubtedly be featured on the final. The question was nowhere to be found. Two-hundred plus students studied this question, certain to get some guaranteed marks only to find their dedication thwarted.

So the obvious question must be asked: Pourquoi? Por qué? Warum? Why,

for Christ's sake?

What sick pleasure can these people be getting from watching us squirm? I thought they were paid to teach, not to trick.

The Other Side of the Story

by

Lucas McInnis

Keep your word, doctors. You are not helping us by doing such things. If the average class percentage is low, can you actually assume it's anyone's fault but your own? The average student is not stupid. If no one is doing well, perhaps, dare I say, it is the method of teaching you are using. So, dear students, I write to you today imploring you to send your concerns to your worthy newspaper.

If you feel wronged, do not allow yourself to lament these acts unheard.

We cannot put all professors together in the same proverbial pot, but those who have committed such acts have not taught us a thing.

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