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Video of University of Michigan Student Verbally Abusing Uber Driver Goes Viral

"You're an Uber driver. Go f*cking drive, you little f*ck. Minimum-wage f*ggot."

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The University of Michigan is "extremely disappointed" after Uber driver Artur Zawada posted the above video of students verbally abusing him, the <u>Michigan Review</u> reports. Though originally posted March 23, the video received hundreds of thousands of hits Sunday.

Almost all of the six men in the video say something offensive to Zawada, but a man in a black jacket — now identified as UMich freshman Jake Croman — steps up to Zawada's window and spews a hateful monologue while apparently filming the altercation on his iPhone as well:

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They don't give a shit about you. They don't give two fucks. There's 50 of you, and there is one of me here. Who spends the most money, you little fuck? Yeah, fuck you, Artur, you little faggot fuck. You wanna kick me off? Kick me off, you little piece of shit. You're an Uber driver. Go fucking drive, you little fuck. Minimum-wage faggot. Go fuck yourself.

You're working all day? Guess what? I'm going to sit on my ass and watch TV. Fuck you.

Croman, who is also a member of Michigan's TKE fraternity, told <u>The Tab</u> the video "shows one side of an argument I had with an Uber driver," who he says made an offensive remark and then "refused to pick me up on the basis of my religion." Though

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immediately provide evidence to The Tab of Zawada's alleged abuse and the police department told <u>BuzzFeed News</u> they could not find Croman's name in their reporting system.

They did however have a complaint on March 20 from Zawada alleging he had been verbally abused by some Uber passengers. In the complaint, Zawada said he'd driven the student in the video before and that the last time he'd driven him, he told him he wouldn't pick him up again because of too many bad experiences. "He knew that but he didn't cancel the trip," Zawada told <u>The Tab</u>. "He should just have cancelled before I came over. They were looking for trouble. They were hoping I would lose my cool."

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Both the University and the fraternity have condemned Croman's behavior, saying they are "extremely disappointed" by the video. The University would offer no comment other than that they've spoken to the students in the video and the driver. The fraternity said it had begun an investigation into the incident that could lead to the student's expulsion.

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