

Summary of comments in chat

Breakout rooms in Zoom, Session 1, 14/9/2020

Question 1:

How do you react when you hear students making inappropriate jokes about another student at a party?

Answers:

- Talk to him/her and tell him/her it's not OK, but in private not making it a show. Telling him/her that if he/she continues, he/she will not be welcome to join other parties.
- You must ask the student to stop making these jokes. This is bad behaviour and that is not acceptable.
- First say that that is not appropriate to the students who made the jokes. If that doesn't help you can contact the organizer in charge of the party. Lastly you contact AYY contact persons.
- First thing to do when hearing bad jokes about another student is to tell that it is not nice to joke about students like that. If needed this could be reported further to eg. Anni Rintala.
- somebody might find a sarcastic joke as being mean -> knowing the "borders"
- Tell them that it is not okay and ask them to stop joking about the topic.
- We agreed that the brave thing to do is to defend the student but most important thing is to show support to the student. Support can also be encouraging the student to stand up for themself.
- One major thing our group found out on q1, is that if in this situation the person who witnesses discrimination is unable to face it head on themselves, there is no clear way to tackle the discrimination.
- we can contact to the organiser of the party as it is not always good to involve every matter in the party specially.
- you should say that it is not okay to joke about anyone and if it is something more severe you should tell about it to someone, for example AYY
- Depends on the situation quite a lot. If possible, we would like to have the courage to say that it was inappropriate, mean etc. Or afterwards, talk to the student who was the target of the comments and ask how they are, how did they feel etc.
- To discourage tgis behaviour and advising him/her to stop discussing a specific person with other or if he or she has any issue talk directly to that person to sort out
- one should say that it is not ok to make this inappropriate joke of others ("not cool"), esp if its very offensive (eg. "slut")
- First to do is tell him/her that his/her behavior is not fine and then report it if he/her don't change.

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Question 2:

What can you do if you see a teacher/member of staff treating a student inappropriately?

Answers:

- First mention it to the teacher and if it doesn't help, contact the academic advisor.
- At first you must tell the teacher/staff member that his/hers behaviour is unacceptable. If this has no effect, the matter has to be brought to attention in a higher level.
- If staff treats you inappropriately you can contact straight Anni Rintala.
- It is better to contact straight to other staff members eg. Anni Rintala.
- Email to anni.rintala@aalto.fi
- we can contact to the code of conduct teacher or dean or our planning officer.
- The teacher should be reported if the bullying/mistreating is continuous and affecting the student's life.
- Talk among other students and discuss what is inappropriate about it, how bad is it etc. then give feedback to teacher directly or to the faculty higher up.
- We will contact focal person for that
- ask if the student know what to do in this situation if they feel treated inappropriately, and if not then help them to find information or where to get this information. Sometimes not easy to say directly its not ok to the teacher cuz theyre higher status/ just cant
- we should contact the planning officer or others in charge of this kind of matter.
- If possible talk with the person for example after the lecture or then contact directly for example Anni Rintala. Don't be quiet!