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Interview 1

Dialogue:

Q: With all the clubs and sport and organizations and everything that the school has to offer, do you think students get fair or equal opportunity to join whatever they want.

Heather: Um, it depends on the club. I feel like most clubs people have equal opportunity but definitely with the interview process of some clubs it makes it more difficult for everyone to have a fair chance or opportunity at joining a club, so just like depending on the interview styles and how selective the clubs are they might limit the opportunities to the students.

Q: Where do you find yourself on that scale?

Heather: As of now, I am still doing interviews but I feel like I do have quite a bit of opportunity at U of I but I could see how some people could feel how they are limited.

Q: Do you think with the opportunities you're getting right now, you're getting what you want? Or are there still things you would want to be a part of?

Heather: I feel like I basically have all the opportunities I want here.

Q: What are you joining or in the process of joining?

Heather: I'm interviewing for OTCR which is a consulting organization and you have to do an application and if your application gets selected then there's three more interviews after that so right now I'm at the stage 2 interview that I have on Saturday.

Q: So in the perspective of someone else who maybe has tried out for a club or sport and hasn't been fortunate just because they're at a disadvantage meaning they don't have as many years of experience not by choice or anything like that, do you still think that they have fair or equal opportunities?

Heather: In that case, maybe not because there should be more workshops available for people if the club is super selective. Since everyone comes from different backgrounds they might have

different experiences. The school should help them to try to equalize opportunity with workshops to help them gain different skill sets they might be missing.

Interview 2

Dialogue:

Q: With all the clubs and sport and organizations and everything that the school has to offer, do you think students get fair or equal opportunity to join whatever they want.

Robbie: I think some clubs are more exclusive than others but I think if you really try hard and work hard, you show up and you don't make a fool of yourself I think you can do whatever you want to do.

Q: Have you found it's been easy for you to join anything you want?

Robbie: I mean, personally, the only thing I have been involved in is, like, with a fraternity and that whole process was easy and it was cool meeting all those guys but I haven't been with any clubs or RSO's or anything.

Q: Do you want to join any other clubs or organizations?

Robbie: I think eventually I will but I'm kind of just getting my feet on the ground with school and everything and I didn't want to take on anything extra this semester but i will definitely look into it somewhere down the line.

Q: Do you have any idea of what you want to join or how the interview process is for that?

Robbie: No, not really. I haven't looked into a lot and I don't know what I would want to join but I know there's a lot of resources available for that.

Q: So in the perspective of someone else who maybe has tried out for a club or sport and hasn't been fortunate just because they're at a disadvantage meaning they don't have as many years of experience not by choice or anything like that, do you still think that they have fair or equal opportunities?

Robbie: I think there's (specifically with a bigger interest that a lot of people have), there's like tiers of severity like say you were like really good at basketball and you practice like your whole

life, I'm sure there's a higher level club for you that you can join, as opposed to someone who's maybe not as good or not as interested. I feel like there's different levels, you now what I mean? I think there's different levels, if not, then i guess you'd probably be at a disadvantage.