

# Long-hair issue put on hold

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In a private meeting Monday, University of Nebraska Law College faculty untangled themselves and decided not to take any action regarding one student's "hairy issue."

Thayne Glenn, a third-year NU law student, will have to wait at least another month to hear the college's response to whether the Criminal Clinic, offered through Lancaster County Attorney Gary Lacey's office, will be terminated.

Glenn, whose long red hair reaches to the middle of his back when pulled in a ponytail, was told he could not participate in the program because his long hair was not typical of "appropriate business-like attire."

"If I would have known my hair was going to be an issue, I would have attended a private school," Glenn said.

Third-year law students who are in good academic standing are chosen to participate in the program.

Glenn said after he was notified of his acceptance to the clinic, Criminal Clinic Director Alicia Henderson said his hair may be an issue.

At Monday's meeting, Henderson said after Glenn was accepted to the clinic, she told him his hair could be a problem. Henderson said she then notified Lacey.

Lacey told Glenn he would have to cut his hair to take the class, Henderson said.

When contacted by the Daily Nebraskan, Lacey would not comment on his reasons for not allowing men with long hair to attend the clinic.

"I'm not going to go into any of this anymore," Lacey said. "It's all a matter of public record."

Law Professor John Snowden questioned the faculty and college's ability to respond and act on Glenn's issue in a timely matter.

"Neither the law school nor the administration have spoken up," Snowden said. "I believe our reputation is being harmed." University of Nebraska College of Law Dean Nancy Rapoport said the college took no action on the issue prior to Monday's meeting because faculty input was needed. But Glenn questioned when students would be able to voice their opinions.

Rapoport said students could only express their opinions at faculty meetings if they are asked to. Three law students were present at the meeting.

Rapoport said the college is still planning to have an open forum for stu-

dents interested in discussing the issue. However, because of scheduling conflicts, the forum would not be held until March, she said.

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"I'm certain that faculty will be happy to hear from students," Rapoport said.

Snowden said he opposed Lacey's decision and said the college should not tolerate discrimination.

"This is an arbitrary, capricious action," Snowden said. "It is discriminatory."

But some faculty members said they agreed with Lacey and said the college had an obligation to the County Attorney's Office.

Rapoport said Glenn's issue will ultimately be up to the college's faculty to decide.

Glenn said he liked the clinic and did not want to see the college stop working with the County Attorney's Office.

However, Glenn said he did want this issue resolved, if not for him, for future students.

"I'm not a perfect student, but I sure am competent to argue a case - regardless of the length of my hair," he said. "Other students are too."

While at the car wash, two other men approached them asking if the victim and his friend knew of any parties.

The four of them got into the victim's car and cruised O Street for about a half hour.

When they got back to the car wash, the victim told the two men in the back they had to get out of his car.

One of them responded by pulling out a sawed-off shotgun and telling the victim and his friend to get out of the car. The two suspects left through the alley.

Monday afternoon the owner of a storage facility at 35th Street and Cornhusker Highway called police because of a car parked in an unauthorized stall, Capt. David Beggs said.

It turned out to be the stolen car, so

police set up surveillance to wait for the suspects to return.

Four people showed up around 3:30 p.m., and when police made contact, three of them fled by car west on Cornhusker Highway.

The police followed, and the three suspects - two men and a woman - made a U-turn.

The pursuit continued east on Cornhusker Highway to 47th Street and Baldwin Avenue where the suspects stopped their car and fled on foot.

All three were taken into custody in an alley a few blocks away.

Beggs said none of the suspects have been connected to Saturday night's carjacking.

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## Law & Order

Party search ends in carjacking  
A young man from Beatrice had his car stolen at gunpoint while he was cruising O Street Saturday night.

Lincoln Police recovered the car Monday afternoon and arrested two men for the robbery after a short pursuit.

Around 9 p.m. Saturday, the 21-year-old victim and a friend pulled into a car wash at 33rd and O streets to wash the victim's car, Lincoln Police Sgt. Todd Beam said.

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**THE JOB INTERVIEW: 5 shocking truths that can help you nail your dream job**

Let's face it. Nobody looks forward to job interviews. A total stranger stares you down for an hour while you sit there uncomfortably in your pantyhose, trying to sound super-intelligent while also remembering to keep your legs crossed correctly. While you'd prefer to avoid thinking about the whole thing, and just get through it when the time comes - Don't! Here are a few "insider" insights about the whole process that may shock you, but can help you better connect with your interviewer and distinguish yourself from the competition.

**1. RESUMES ARE OBSOLETE**  
Well, they're not really obsolete, but they are only one piece of the job puzzle. "Most people spend much more time on their resume than they do preparing for each interview. That's a huge mistake," says Bruce Tulgan, the author of *Work this Way*, a book about how to thrive in your first few jobs. "People can easily lie on resumes. The interview is much more important, which is why recruiters spend so much time doing them - and why you should spend time getting ready."

**What to do:**

- Think about all the time you will spend on your job search; then, carve out a chunk of those hours to prep for your interviews.

**2. WORK EXPERIENCE NOT REQUIRED**  
Okay, so you may not have a ton of real work experience. But that's not what recruiters are really looking for when they are hiring new college grads. Believe it or not, the very fact that you are young can be worth a lot to many companies. They're in search of a 22-year-old's energy and fresh perspective. You may have a whole new way of looking at things, and that's invaluable to most companies. "Frankly, experience is not very important to us," says Tom Scott, co-founder of Nantucket Nectars, a booming small beverage company with current annual sales over \$50 million. "We can teach you to do the things you need to do here. What we're looking for is hunger." As Scott suggests, entry-level job interviews are not designed to weigh your experience, they're supposed to measure your smarts, enthusiasm, personality and passion.

**What to do:**

- Instead of just describing your past summer jobs, focus on stories that showcase your energy and passion for the activities you really care about. Or, talk about how your leadership has made a difference. While your examples may be summer jobs, they may also be a concert you organized, a

*paper or project for a favorite class, or a team sport that you play. Make it clear that you will be just as hungry and passionate about the job for which you are interviewing.*

**3. GOOD QUESTIONS, NOT GOOD ANSWERS CAN CLOSE THE DEAL**  
Most people spend time preparing answers that will showcase their intelligence, savvy and interest in a company. This is important. But preparing some thoughtful, well-researched questions can accomplish the same thing - and often with greater impact! When the interviewer gets around to "Any questions?" (and he or she will), that's your chance to strut any stuff that you haven't been asked about during the course of the interview. What you reveal in a well-thought-out question might even nail you the job. Jodi Kantor, a New York City college grad, used this strategy to beat out heavy competition for a

exam. They read all the obvious material to make sure they know "who, what and where." This is a great start, but it's just the tip of the iceberg. Reading a company's recruiting brochure and spitting it back in the interview won't impress anyone. To really stand out you need to arm yourself with current and substantive information about the company and industry. Thanks to today's technology, this does not have to be a daunting or time consuming proposition. You can learn a lot with minimal effort and make a great impact because most other undergrad candidates won't take the extra step.

**What to Do:**

- Read the newspaper! See what's happening in the world that might be relevant to the respective company or industry.
- Call and ask for a company's sales materials to see how they talk to their customers.
- Use on-line info like company or news web sites. Sites like [www.wetfeetpress.com](http://www.wetfeetpress.com) and [www.vaultreports.com](http://www.vaultreports.com) carry great company and industry profiles for sale.
- Utilize free news information resources at your school library like Lexis/Nexis or the Bloomberg News Service.

**5. FUN, NOT FACTS MAY MAKE THE DIFFERENCE**  
Probably the most important piece of information a recruiter will want to know but will never ask directly is "What is this person like to be around?" A good recruiter knows you will be working some long hours in a closed room with other people. You better believe that a key question on his or her checklist is "Do I want to work with this person? Would my colleagues want to work with this person?" Let's face it, many people will have the same skills as you, but not everyone can package those skills with your personality. You want the recruiter to walk away wanting to work with you!

**What to Do:**

- Make sure pieces of YOU come out in the interview! Be confident about yourself, and communicate with energy and enthusiasm. Don't be afraid to laugh when appropriate or talk about a personal issue to make a relevant point.

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**4. YOU CAN KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT A COMPANY**  
Many people look at prepping for an interview like studying for an

Strong Enough for a Man. But Made for a Woman.