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Video shows University of Michigan student yelling anti-gay slurs at Uber driver

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Editor's note: This video contains profanity and other foul language.

UPDATE: **[Uber driver describes history with U-M student who yelled anti-gay slurs](#)**

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UPDATE at 2:20 p.m.: In a statement released Monday, the national fraternity Tau Kappa Epsilon said they are investigating the allegation that the YouTube video shows a member of the fraternity.

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The fraternity is "extremely disappointed by the individual's demeaning words," according to the statement.

"At the conclusion of our swift, thorough investigation, we will handle the situation with appropriate action," the statement read. "Depending on the details of the investigation, this could include the expulsion of membership."

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ANN ARBOR, MI -- A video purported to show a University of Michigan fraternity member berating an Uber driver has gone viral.

The video, posted to YouTube on March 23, shows a college-aged man yelling expletives and anti-gay slurs at an Uber driver.

"You're an Uber driver, go f**king drive you little f**k," the man says in the video. "Minimum wage f****t, go f**k yourself."

The driver, Artur Zawada, said in a comment posted on the video over the weekend that he has been harassed by the Uber rider and his friends repeatedly. He said he previously told the rider that he was requesting that Uber ban him, but said the man uses other people's accounts.

"For that I was falsely accused, called names etc," he wrote. "4th time... Rider knew from Uber application who is the driver. He had option to cancel to avoid any issues but he/they proceeded to abuse, harrase, belittle and provoke like kindergarten thugs."

Ann Arbor police Detective Lt. Robert Pfannes said authorities are aware of the incident and a report was filed with the department.

University of Michigan spokesman Rick Fitzgerald said in an email that the university is waiting on the police report ahead of any further steps by the university in the matter.

The dean of students met with both the Uber driver and the students involved last week, he said.

"We find the actions depicted in this video to be reprehensible and completely inconsistent with our community's closely held values," he said. "We expect more from our students. Regardless of the circumstances, no one deserves to be treated that way."

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