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## BC eyes discipline for student who allegedly wrote 'disturbing,' but fake Facebook post about raping three women

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By Matt Rocheleau, Town Correspondent

Boston College is moving to discipline a student who allegedly wrote anonymously on Facebook that he had raped three women while at BC, before later turning himself in to university police and administrators to tell them the online post was a hoax.

In an e-mail to the campus Wednesday, the university's Dean of Students Paul J. Chebator called the online post "very disturbing."

The post appeared Tuesday afternoon on the [Boston College Confessions](#) page on Facebook, which students use to anonymously post public messages about a wide range of personal topics about their college experience.

The post has elicited dozens of comments, most of which call the author of the post and the actions he described as disgusting and terrifying. And, in response, a group of concerned students have organized [an on-campus event](#), scheduled to be held Thursday night, "so students can have a safe space to learn about resources, voice their concerns, and engage in a discussion on how to address rape culture on our campus."

"We know the statistics about sexual assault," the event organizers wrote on Facebook. "That reality has been brought to the forefront of our attention through a Facebook post. This should be a greater concern for all of us. Turn your discontent into positive action."

Chebator said BC officials were alerted to the post shortly after it appeared. Administrators and the Boston College Police Department launched an investigation.

Later that evening, "a student came forward on his own to BCPD and admitted that the entire post was a hoax," Chebator's email said. "The student appeared quite remorseful; nevertheless, this matter will continue to be investigated and the student will be referred to the student conduct system for resolution of this matter."

The post detailed a student who said he has struggled to interact with women, has never had a relationship and had only kissed one woman who instead fell for his best friend. He wrote that this had left him "rather depressed and lonely."

He then described how at the beginning of last semester he raped a woman and fellow

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student while she was drunk and unresponsive and despite her initial attempts to resist his advances.

The post then describes how he raped a friend's girlfriend while she was drunk and unresponsive at the end of that semester:

He said he tried to seek counseling over the summer, but because he could not explain why to his parents, he never did receive counseling.

This semester, he said he raped another girl who was drunk.

"I don't know what I should do," the post said. "On the one hand, I know that I need to get help, but on the other hand, I can't help but be driven to do it again. I have these self-consuming thoughts that I don't think I'll ever be able to control."

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