



Academic Abuse

Academic abuse is a specific type of abuse that one person in a relationship chooses to use as a way to control and manipulate the other person. There are a variety of ways academic abuse may show up.

- Preventing their partner from working on homework, assignments, or studying
- Starting arguments before tests or important due dates
- Scheduling dates, or activities during class, tests, or before important due dates
- Complaining about their partner's studying habits (how long or how often)
- Saying "you care about school more than me" or similar statements, causing one to feel guilt or to stop completing their work
- Belittling their partner's academic choices
- Blaming their partner for their own poor grades
- Taking all the same classes as their partner or monitoring their partner in class
- Blaming partner for their inability to complete assignments

If you believe you or someone you know is experiencing academic abuse, or any other forms abuse from a current or former intimate partner, contact MSU Safe Place for information and support.

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