

**LAW & ORDER SVU: *DEVASTATING STORY***  
**Season 16 Episode 18**

1. This SVU episode is loosely based on the *Rolling Stone* article, “A Rape on Campus,” at UVA. Describe at least THREE specific similarities between the fictional story on SVU and the real story at UVA. HINT: You may want to Google the UVA story.
2. Describe at least THREE specific differences between the fictional story on SVU and the real story at UVA.
3. In the last scene, Sgt. Benson and the President of the College discuss the aftermath of the case:

President Roberts: *We had an incident last night. The first thing the accused said to campus security was, "She's lying just like Heather Manning."*

Olivia Benson: *I don't blame Heather. Skip Peterson and Professor Dillon, they pressured her into coming forward. They thought this would be the case that would change rape culture and it did. It set the clock back 30 years.*

- a) Describe the meaning and significance of the dialogue regarding the “rape culture” on college campuses.
- b) Explain whether Sgt. Benson’s statement that “rape culture” has changed, “it set the clock back 30 years” is true as result of the UVA-*Rolling Stone* article. Defend your answer.