

Nathan Hawk Interview with Josh Anderson

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Hawk: This is Nathan Hawk interviewing Josh Anderson, September 1st 2009. Uh Josh, what is your birthday?

Anderson: Birthday is October 10th, October 8th. I'm sorry man. 1989

Don't call it

How long?

Hawk: So you've attended Northern for about- a little over a year now. Can you just tell, tell me- explain the process of what brought you to Northern?

Anderson: God man, it was actually a mixture of things. Um, previously attended Western Michigan University. Uh, Western has a reputation for many things including academics. But I guess you could say a lot of extracurriculars. Not exactly sports I'm saying. I guess it comes down too it lived up to its reputation as 'Waste'ern'. But, I guess I didn't have the, I didn't have that many- Academics weren't my strong suit at school. And uh it wasn't my strong suit because it wasn't my, let's see... what's the word I'm looking for here? It wasn't the first thing that- on my mind at all times. It's just, it seemed that partying led into my- me having no other goals and no other achievements in school. It was just a constant party and it sucks because everyone I associated with at the school was in the same mind set.

And you are who you associate with man, and that's uh was just a bad atmosphere with me. I think it was a combination between me and the school, mainly me. I came up here one time in the winter, driving up and I got stuck in a snow storm, and it was one of the most beautiful moments I ever had in my life driving up here in a snow storm. I know it sounds so weird and not your average idea-you know, idea of a great time. Dude it was just, when I got up here I fell in love with the U.P. the second I got, through the boonies. I guess you could say. After I got through the three hour drives through. (dueling banjos hummed), I was good to go. I don't know, I never regret that decision, never regret that decision. I love it up here. I love the academics they have a great academic facility you know with nursing. With me going

into nursing you know. They also have the outdoors which has become my love. My new love of my life.

That's for sure. But keep on going, you had another question?

Hauk: No, no that's good. So you talked a little bit about living in the dorms. Is there anything you remember about living in the dorms in particular?

Hauk: So you're a transfer student here and uh, can you just describe how you think your experience might be a little different as a transfer student? Like, what obstacles have you faced?

Anderson: Oh for sure for sure. Um the main obstacle that I faced was um, unlike a lot of other schools, Northern has the freshman and sophomores living in the dorms. So coming in as a sophomore was like coming in as a freshman. Social wise I was basically a freshman. I didn't know anybody except for Aaron my suitemate at Western [Aaron also transferred from Western to Northern]. And it was weird adjusting man 'cause you're looking over and it's like people have already formed their previous cliques I guess you could say. I don't want to say cliques because it doesn't seem like cliques has any- the word just doesn't go with college man. That's high school shit. I gotta say I think that my main thing was just coming in here and seeing people establishing these friendships and me, I just had to work that much harder to get myself out there. But I don't know, I learned a lot.

Hauk: Like what kind of things did you do to insert yourself into these so called "cliques"?

Anderson: Lot of drinking. No, I'm just kidding. I'm just kidding. I don't know actually, I joined a lot of clubs I basically- as sad as it seems just kept myself active to the extent where I wasn't thinking about the loneliness. You know what I mean, just creating your reality is the perception of your reality and it's just, I just never wanted to give myself time to think. I don't know if that sounds weird. But like, I just, I constantly like to keep myself busy so I wasn't focusing on the negatives. I don't know, it helped me. I just kept really active and that's why I liked the complete difference from Western. With those thoughts at Western you just got wasted. Up here, you get lost in the woods go on a trail run or climb a rock where you're scared to- I love- there's so many outdoor activities to do. You completely get lost. I accomplish that question? Somewhat?

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Hauk: No, no that's good. So you talked a little bit about living in the dorms. Is there anything you remember about living in the dorms in particular?

Yeah man. My first year, I think-My first year at western, I had this roommate that could be clarified as one of the biggest dicks in all of history. And I don't like to throw the word around a lot. But this dude deserved it like 130 percent. It was just ridiculous man. He would-No self respect. No nothing. And through my interaction with my first roommate, I was very, very hesitant coming into my second year knowing that I might get the possibility with douchebag roommates are still up there. I came into it very nervous, ended up getting no roommate which was amazing but it also- I donno it also- when you have a roommate, depending on the roommate you're...

Hauk: Tied in

Anderson: Tied into, Well that's it. You're not- You don't really go into your room that often. Well this year, That's what happened to me. When you don't have a roommate, you can get away with completely isolating yourself. I tried to do that as little as possible because. I had really cool suitemates. And my suitemates made my year last year. They were just cool dudes that never left the room. Didn't have much of a social life, never picked up a drink in their life. It was just. I guess I compared them as my complete opposites and when they say opposites attract, I guess they do because it was pretty bomb with them living last year. They were really good looking too. I'm just kidding. But yea I had a good time. You want't like specific experiences in the dorms?

Hauk: Yeah if you want, maybe how you interacted with your R.A.? Or...

Anderson: My R.A. was a foxy old lady. You know for the exception of the face, I'd give her a 13 out of 14. Seriously. Uh I'm sorry but I thought it was funny because like My RA didn't have like any word.

She was fucking the kid next door to her. And everyone knew about it. And I think she really- I don't know, she didn't really enforce too hard because of that I think. I had a really good experience with my R.A. she was a really cool lady you could come up to her for help or just go to her and look her up and down. (laughs). No.

Hauk: Now when you lived in the dorms did you ever feel that it was your home? or did you feel like-

Anderson: Yea it takes a lot to establish that, it takes a long time to establish that. I didn't feel comfortable for a while because I was doing what I was trying not to do which was isolate myself because I could get away with it. And um that worked against me for while. But, when you put it into perspective that you're never gonna get these 4 years, 5 years, 6 if your extremely lucky you know of college back. When you put that into perspective you step it up a notch. When I realized I was wasting these days. I got myself out there and started talking to people on my floor. God the people on my floor they sucked. They sucked. They really did. I was, Oh my god, I was so happy to get co-ed but when I got there, I was like, 'I'd be so content with like a gay dorm a gay guy dorm I'd be more content with then what I got'. Co-ed is an understatement my man. But my interaction with everybody else on my floor was good except for the ugly ladies. There was actually a girl across the floor who was allergic to latex and, uh for my nextdoor neighbor's- uh for his birthday, uh we tied balloons all outside his door. He lived right across the hallway from this girl. And she fucking she came outside and ran into her room as quick as possible. And we didn't see her for a week because we had the balloons held up. She didn't come out of her room for one solid week because the balloons across the door.

Hauk: Was she sick?

Anderson: I don't even know. She was really weird. She was like 25, just trying to relive the college experience. Like I dunno I thought that was really funny. She was a cool girl just had a really bad latex allergy. Yeah, she wasn't really that cool. I take that back. I'm sorry I keep on venturing off your questions but my mind keeps racing off with thoughts trying to give you the BEST answers at all times.

Hauk: I'm interested in hearing it.

You've talked a little bit about just the dorm situation, but another part of living on campus is eating.

Eating at the den...

Hauk: If you have no complaints, you have to complain.

Anderson: FUCK

Anderson: Let me give you hands down best something I ever made in the caf^o and this is one of them. I

Hauk: and the M.P. can we talk about those for a little bit?

Anderson: I didn't mean to bust out with the word fuck right there. But I actually meant to subconsciously think it. But it came to the surface. It just does that man. That's what the M.P. food does. 'Cause at first there are two different 'fucks'. I really want to put this into perspective right now. Two different 'fucks'. First one is fuck yes. When you first get to college and you realize, oh my ^{cc}god I can eat this food all times every single day. I get pudding 24-7 that's a 'fuck yeah'. Two months later, 'fuck no'. Not again, this is the same food we just had last Wednesday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and then you start working at the caf^o and that's that's, that's, the third fuck. And I'm sorry to bust out the swear words but I call them the three f's the 'fuck yea', the 'fuck no', and just just 'fuck'. Fuck it, that's just the last one at the end of the line just the 'I'm done with this bullshit'. And it's funny because I noticed the same thing at Western. It was the same, it was the same, ah, arrangement of F's. You get into college and you're so amped you're so psyched about it. It's something that no one has ever experienced. You've had people who cooked food for you all your life. If you came from a poor family- no never mind. Yea I cooked my own shit. I'm sorry that had no relevance for what I'm talking about. You get to college and you're all amped about this whole new lifestyle and you're so excited that you get ice cream shakes all day whenever you want it. Or, let's say you're a little bit more healthier- make your own salad every single day. That's cool too. Spinach, spinach on tap was basically one of my highlights that's what I loved. Um, never had Cocoa Pebbles though, never had Cocoa Pebbles and that was something I was pretty down about. I'm sorry the food, the food. God I'm really getting off I'm trying to give you a summary right now but I have so many complaints and so many things to talk about of the caf^o.

Hauk: I'm interested in hearing it.

Anderson: You do? Are you really ok with that? I'm not taking up too much time?

Hauk: If you have to complain, you have to complain.

Anderson: Let me give you hands down best concoction I ever made in the caf[?] and this is one of them. I know I've told you about this bad boy. Whoever is listening is about to gain more knowledge in the next 30 seconds then they have ever gained in this week's worth of interviews that you're listening to right now. You got yourself ice cream. This is my concoction if you want to name it, go along with it, I'm just a pioneer I didn't name the quest. This is my quest for the greatest ice cream in the world. This was a cold day, you wouldn't think that you wanted ice cream. But you know what? I just had the urge. I just had the bubbly sensation in the stomach that just said 'Josh give it to me'. I like- alright I'm not gonna deny it. I felt it and it felt right. So, I went to crazy concoction mode. Busted in, I mean if you would of seen my eyes, my pupils were dilated focused in on one goal- Ice cream machine. That's where I started. Went to the ice cream machine, put my bowl underneath, started the ice cream, Came out pretty slow. That's when you know you got yourself a solid ice cream. As opposed to coming out fast and spurting like diarrhea. Got yourself a nice log out of this bad boy. Got a cone, got a second cone filled that up with peanut butter. Microwaved that 45 seconds. Now you got yourself liquid peanut butter. It acts like the shell- the shell chocolate you buy in the store. You know, [that] you put on ice cream and it freezes. Well, peanut butter acts like the same god damn thing. I recommend, whoever is listening, never buy the shell shit because peanut butter is the same thing. So I put the peanut butter on top, go over cut up some bananas, put the bananas on the top with whipped cream, honey and you know when you want to get real crazy you put on cinnamon. And then you take the waffle cone, crack it up and put it on top. I'm sorry I'm getting so hungry it's ridiculous. So that's my concoction for the greatest thing ever. So whoever's listening I want to let them know that. I'm sorry I took up a lot of time with that. But it needed to be said.

Hauk: That seems like one of those 'f yeahs'.

Anderson: That qualifies as an 'F yeah'. That's an 'F yeah' in the cafeteria. Thank you. for brining that back into it. That's relayed

Hauk: You've talked about eating but, you also worked at the 'Den'. Do you want to talk a little bit about that?

Anderson: My 'Den' experience was uh- I figured I got around in the 'Den world'. I'm a cafeteria whore. I look at it like. I've been around in the cafeteria. I worked at Western's cafeteria and then I worked over here and I realized it's a completely different setting. You wouldn't think that cafeterias differ that much. You know its food you go there and eat but there's an underground world that no one gets to see. You're just seeing the whip cream; you're not seeing the cake that's underlying that shit. So uh- I had- I find that the food is a lot more quality here then at Western. Because when I'm working up at the 'Den' they're not only catering for the students, but for the banquets for the people who are coming and hosting these extravagant parties. I always wanted to see if they are going to have a circus up there. That would be really cool. (Bumps on table) Yeah, I find that it's cool. But um- I find that its cool. (stops bumping) I'm sorry that was me (referring to the bumps). Not realizing that I was making a lot of ruckus. I was prep cooking so I was basically cutting up a lot of vegetables. And you would think that cutting-slicing, they call it a bias cut. I don't know if you've ever heard of that. But a bias cut on a zucchini 5,000 times for like five hours. I know whoever is listening is just like 'yeah I'm officially pumped I'm officially excited and I want this position'. But cutting zucchini for four hours believe or not, is horrible. It is. I've never contemplated suicide so many times during one shift. That's the shift you go to to contemplate suicide all the different ways. I'm just looking around the room all the different ways- I could eat a bottle of thyme, pepper and pass out. I'm just looking at all the things. I got an oven behind me just lock myself in. I'm done. Dude I figure- It wasn't that bad. I got to stop being too pessimistic about what I'm doing in the now and just be happy to be living in the now and getting money for living in the now. But it does suck dude. Because you get a lot of time to think and thinking can suck. I didn't really go too far with that but it's just a shitty job. I don't like working in the caf'. I do like interacting with people and I don't get to do

that when I'm sitting back cutting peppers. I think they should create this dark dungeon area where I should go because that's what I'm doing, just sitting in the back and they don't even call me my name, me they just call me 'it'. Like, go talk to 'it' no you talk to 'it', no you tell him what to do right now. I don't have a name right there I should just, I dunno, I don't have a name right there I don't have any slave names. I was trying to think of a cool one.

Hauk: Do you have any good memories from the 'Den' maybe? Or not really?

Anderson: Let me think here man. A good memory from the 'Den'. Oh my god- No, that's probably not acceptable. There was a couple good memories. There was this dude, this was actually just recently and it was kind of funny. This guy- this guy at the den. I was working cashier because I just broke my arm and that's the only position they wanted to give to me. And this dude- ah Jesus man, this is kind of awkward. I'm sitting at cash register and I don't know if you know the layout the 'Den'. But right behind the cash register, right behind it, to the left. There's the place where you go- the little carousel that you put your plates on and shit. Well this dude puts his plate and he's hanging out. His whole tray in, and he's one of those guys that goes up with three cups thinking that he's an extra thirsty mother fucker and that he's about to drain three cups of water. And first off, I think that's impossible. And I realize when I see every dude do that with at least two full cups. Well this guy had all fucking three. What was he thinking? What was in his mind when he was going getting three cups of water like, I could get three cups of water and if I'm not thirsty I could just look at them or I could dip shit in them, or I could take a bath. Dude it's just ridiculous. So, this guy had three cups of water, dude that wasn't the big deal. But then he had two additional cups of cranberry juice. Alright let me break this down, that's five fucking cups if you haven't been counting. Five cups! That could have hydrated a city dude. So he goes and he puts the tray on [the conveyor belt], and the trays sitting half way out and it hits the wall as its going around and it falls and he had all this extra bullshit food on there. And it all falls on the ground I'm not a mad man, but I'm coming across as one now. Because I'm thinking about the conclusion- how it ended. And I looked him in the eye, because I mean it was a ruckus, it was a sound. I thought there was a stampede going back there. I

was looking behind me thinking I was going to see gazelles and fucking rhinos running abroad. But uh no, it was this dude just looking at me. And he turned around and looked at me and it was a slight stare, but the stare turned into a- he started realizing that he fucked up. The stare turned into an 'oh shit I better get out of here or I'm going to have to clean this'. He looks at me, then looks at the door, then looks at me again and then he books it. He didn't run but he booked it. It was a fast paced run- walk. It was a walk, out of there and then right when he gets to the door, this is what pisses me off the most, he looks at me one more time and then looks at me with this puppy look, don't hate me because I just fucked up, because I just pissed on your floor. No, don't hate me. Love me because I'm giving you puppy looks. I just had to accept it I was down about it but I looked at him and I was like you motherfucker here I am with a broken hand- No, it really wasn't a big deal. I guess its one of those things that you can try to explain but a lot of its lost in context. But you have to see it, his face was the most priceless thing I ever saw when he dropped his plate. He just looked at me with this 'oh my god what have I done'. This expression like 'Oh my god I'm about to take a cold shower and down a bottle of whiskey after this bad boy'. Like that's just, I don't know man. I'm sorry I'm going off pace with this bad boy.

Hauk: Yeah so, you talked a little bit with your interactions with people in the 'Den' or elsewhere on campus, is there anything else that you've noticed with people at Northern that's maybe different then your home town? Or?

Anderson: There's a lot of pedophiles, no I'm just kidding, but seriously there are. Look at them. Actually- yeah, There's a definite, definite, definite difference. I come from an area that's very, very wealthy- extremely wealthy. I come from a high school where people are pulling up in Hummers and BMW's and just the most outrageous cars for kids who are 16 that just got his fucking license to be driving. I'm not a wealthy individual, but growing up in that area you see how the wealthy act and you see how they take a lot of things for granted. And I come up to the U.P. and it seems people- Alright people from downstate seem like they are constantly living for the now and constantly not taking in the beautiful surroundings that they have in the moment, and just living from place to place getting the nails

done, going to the movies, get a frappacino while I'm on my way, and stop at the mall, they are constantly on the go. And you come up to the U.P. and it's a whole new genre of individuals. People that have a lot more respect for mother nature first off, but also just living in the now. Living in the now, going out on hikes you know you got this day, this shit is beautiful and you know this shit isn't going to come around when you have winter for the next fucking year. People have a lot- they are lot more humble. A lot more humble up here. I know that's- I'm not saying, I'm not saying the majority, but it's definitely a higher percentage than I grew up in. And people are a lot more respectful of each other. You know? They're not- the money's not getting to them. I don't know -it's a beautiful thing. I love it up here 'cause people are very- they just- It's funny when you see how happy people get over a sunny day up here. You know what I mean? Do you understand where I'm coming from? Everyone's happy, it's, it's, it's, I love that, I use the word beautiful, but beautiful is the only way to describe it because it makes me truly happy. Like an individual walking on the street if you see that motherfucker and if he looks at you bad you're going to get angry but if he looks at you and gives you a smile that says 'Hi' it's the lightest little expression, but it gives so much it does so much for you. It makes you that much happier. I don't know. I love people up here I really do like the atmosphere. But yeah, I'm sorry. Keep on going.

Hauk: So now, kind of shifting gears. Could you talk a little bit about your academic program? Maybe talk about some of your teachers?

Anderson: Let's do it, let's get this done. Let's start these motors up. I am going into nursing. I know through this interview you may think I'm one huge F-up- I'm trying to lower the 'f's'. Let's see if I can end this interview with less than 5 f bombs. I'll use them when they are really needed. Fuck! No, I'm just kidding. I've grown up, my mom has worked at the hospital forever. And she wanted me to go med, premed and I started volunteering at a hospital and I really liked the nursing aspect of it. You know and- a lot of it's laziness, I'm just being truthful a lot of it's laziness. I could go med. I'm still in this mind set, you got until like you're 30's or 40's and your body can't physically do all the things that- I know that's not the truth but I just want to get done with college. I want to live, I want to go places. I want to become

more knowledgeable about the lifestyles of people everywhere. I think that nursing will give me that. I'll bust my ass for the next two years and I'll be able to achieve that and help people too which is better than anything else. The nursing program right now I've acquired a 3.96 last semester and now I have a 3.65. I have a higher percentage- a high possibility of getting into the nursing program with that GPA. If I get in, I'm looking at about 2 years until I get my BSN. Bachelor's of Science in Nursing. And with that BSN I'm going to apply to the peace core. I'll go to South Africa. Serve 2 years there may help pay off a lot of my outstanding bills. But the program as it is right now, Is um- they are looking for you to have all your prerequisites done. Then you apply and they basically only accept around 40 or 60 individuals per semester. I have to have my application in by the October 31st. And uh, Yea, I just have med-micro right now that's my last 'pre-req' and that's with Jackie Bird- Dr. Bird. She's a good teacher, I really, really, really am content with the teachers here at Northern. My hands down, though, favorite professor I've ever had in my life is Dr. Winn. Dr. Winn is a- I had him in an 8:00 class. You think to yourself, 'how the fuck can you get pumped about an 8:00 class?' Take Dr. Winn, that's how you get pumped about an 8:00 class man. He was the most knowledgeable- it's not only good having a teacher that's personable- not personable but um- feels free and doesn't make you feel awkward. You know how some teachers talk and they make you feel awkward for sitting in the room? You know they're awkward because they are so nervous talking in front of people. But Dr. Winn, the way he expresses himself he's such a knowledgeable individual. The way he takes hard information and translates it into this understandable-context. It's- he's an amazing guy. And he really made my first semester here at Northern. Because he's one of the best professors I've had in a science program. Aside from him I had Froiland- [He]was really good, REALLY GOOD once you got him. He was anatomy. He's really good because he's done that for a really, really long time. Like for years. I had notes from a girl that took him like 5 years ago and it was word for fucking word what he saying in class. It was weird man, I felt like it was a TV show and I had the transcript. Or I had the- what's that called?

Hauk: Script

Anderson: Script! There we go. Minus the 'trans'. Yea dude. I'm content with where I'm right now. I just need to- my ass is going to get busted these next two years but I think I'm going to learn a lot of it so I'm ready to start my adulthood.

Hauk: Now was pursuing a northern reason part of the reason you came to Northern?

Anderson: Yea, for sure. Northern has a very respectable nursing program, very respectable. And uh, that was a one of the main reasons I was looking. And I came up here to visit. I never thought I was going to fucking be up here. First thing that comes to anyone's mind when they come to Northern- this is so true down state is boonies and I cannot tell you how many people think that people fuck animals up here. Downstate that is the common like- no I'm just kidding I take that one back. No, it's ridiculous how, what's the word? Ignorant people are. How ignorant people are. How uneducated people are of the U.P. Shit I was one, I jumped to conclusions but came up here and it was beautiful. But um, yea, I came up here, the nursing program was a huge part to do with that and how beautiful it is and Marquette is sweet, just amazing, the nursing program definitely had a high. I really like Marquette General Hospital I was thinking about volunteering this year. Yeah, it was really set up well. I like the area.

Hauk: You have definitely talked a lot about the things you enjoyed about Marquette, the U.P. and Northern. Is there anything...?

Anderson: The winters, I'm going to stop you right there. The winters I hate more than anything. Like, you know a lot of Christians hate Satan pretty bad alright? I would literally, I would say a bad, bad freeze up here is- I think that's the closest you can get to hell. Riding your bike to the PEIF. You know from the PEIF to the dorms is not that bad of a track. But literally riding your bike from there and back in like negative 40 degree wind chill. Like, Oh my god. It feels like days, it feels like you've just gone on a quest. I don't know. It's horrible man, I literally thought that I lost my nose so many times up here in the winter. But, I feel like it makes you a badass. I felt like Bear Grylls the first time I went home. I'm like

wearing t-shirts and shorts in 40 degree weather. People are like, 'Oh my god he's so bad ass'. You see him? (mumbles)

Hauk: What are some of the things you did to cope with the harsh winter and the long winter?

Anderson: My body actually coped with it. I actually grew an extra layer of skin it's weird I don't know how the fuck it happened it was just one black coat just came, but then I realized that was just fucking frostbite- And uh, no, just kidding, but, uh, I realize how to uh, dress properly, it also is uh-Alright, I would, I would definitely go on a lot of excursions outside and come across a lot of bad fucking obstacles. One thing I did learn- one quote that I did learn, man, about going out in this weather is that, 'luck favors the prepared' and that is so true dude. You prepare yourself and I guess you could find yourself lucky. I mean shit working out. As opposed to going out in the weather thinking that its- Oh my god, our camping trip dude, we were not prepared for that. Sleeping on a rock in the snow. Really cold weather, all bundled together like a bunch of hobos. That is it. That is the idea I am trying to get to. But if you prepare yourself for it dude you're good to go. You just have to put up with a lot of it. It's really not that bad. But sometimes it's just- Where the fuck have you heard the school got canceled for too cold man, I have never heard of that. Must be a school at the North Pole. I think we're definitely the one and only. Shit is ridiculous. Um...

Hauk: You talked about some of the misconceptions some people have about the U.P. in general. But Specifically how do you think the outside world... uh... views...

Anderson: The women! I'll tell you right now, I know what you're going for. Alright so what it is- to Michigan Tech it's pretty close. Michigan Tech is widely known for its amount of sausage. I'll tell you right now, you have 7 dudes to every 1 girl. So people view that and they look at Michigan Tech and see where it is located. 'Alright it is the U.P.', I guess every school in the U.P. is outnumbered guys to girl. Like guys carrying axes to class. And people cutting down trees in the woods all day. There's so many misconceptions, but women is the number one, biggest one. I come back and I think it's mostly the

nursing program that draws such a high amount of them to this area. Not only women but- it's not only quantity, it's quality. God I was blown away the first year I came up here. I really did think I would walk into a Grizzly Man Adams sausage fest. When I first got up here I thought I was going to be introduced you know- I don't know-I was so surprised with all the women and everyone that comes up here is surprised about the women. But every single person I know. It's like this fucking thing that irritated me with Western. I would be like, 'yea I'm from Western' and people would correct me, 'don't you mean Waste'ern' and I would be like, 'No dude. I mean Western Michigan University'. People would correct you with Northern. It's the arrogance- It's ignorance. I'm sorry. And it's- God-I came back. Like, alright. Last time I was back home I was talking to this kid that I went to Northern. He was like 'man you must be really cold all the time, you must really watch out with that. You must not be getting any pun tang.

There's no girls up there, just a bunch of snow cows' and I was like, 'god you have never been up there, how could you completely put down the U.P. like that. I'm really hurt right now. I'm about to go, try not think about what you just said, because I'm hurt by it'. Every time I bring it up I get a tear in my eye, so fuck you, you brought down my bang'. Sorry, what else you got to say Nathan? What else you got for me Nathan?

Hauk: Um...

Anderson: Nathan what's your favorite hobby. No, I'm joking you can't answer- can you answer questions?

Hauk: I think it's mostly supposed to be you.

Anderson: It is? Alright, that's cool; I would ask you some cool questions right now.

Hauk: Um...

Anderson: Your kind of interested about the questions that I'm asking aren't you now. Man, they are really juicy, like really juicy.

Hauk: I don't know, I guess just, um, is there anything else you would like to say about Northern and your experiences here that we didn't touch on?

Anderson: Um, god man- the people. People. Alright, Northern has a lot of qualities that I am attracted to. Northern is a female in my perspective. It has a lot of things I am attracted to and a lot of things I am not so attracted to. Um, I'll put it like this. I am an ass man. Northern's got a pretty nice ass in my eyes. Is it ok if we venture into this zone try to make this make sense, would you like me to get off the sexual references?

Hauk: Whatever suits you. I guess.

Anderson: Seriously, threesome. No, I'm just kidding that would never happen. But if it did I would
Hauk: Because that's something you should know about. God, there's a couple man, there's a couple. First time when we took that camping trip and we were looking at the stars, remember that? Remember looking at that big moon shining over Lake Superior. That was one of the
Anderson: Alright, uh, Northern is a very, very attractive woman that has a perfect ass, perfect body, perfect everything, but you can't understand her. Alright. And, being that you can't understand her, there's a lot of miscommunication that goes on in the relationship. Alright? You may think yes, and she's thinking no. That leads to a lot of conflicting issues. And uh, so relationship's good at first. You know, sex is great. You got great weather up here. That's why I'm making the correlation. Then after a while you can't understand her STILL and it's getting very, very frustrating that's when the winters pick up. This is when the winter is picking up. Then she goes back to her home to her hometown in Mexico. Then you know – That's winter break. Then she comes back, still can't understand her. But then you learn to adjust. Now we're getting into spring season. You see this? Then you understand her then you got a beautiful woman. Then you make it to summer. That is my like, five seasons of Northern. All broken down to an attractive Mexican girl. You use that next time you describe northern because it all makes sense. But yeah, that's seasonal wise. I guess that doesn't work out for everybody that's how I explain it though. But also, I also, I love the women up here. I really, really do love the women up here- I find, I find myself every time I go back home to the suburbs very, very sad that I can't just walk like ten minutes away from my house and get lost. That's another thing that I really, really love about it up here. You can

just- I get on my bike, I go for not ten minutes and I am in the wilderness. I love that. I love that. That really is probably my biggest (mumbles). I literally go for a run and I end up like three miles off campus in the middle of nowhere- chilling. I love that. (mumbles) I love to be away from civilization. Let your mind think. I think we just had a moment.

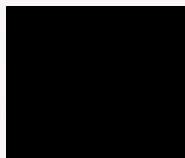
Hauk: One last question, Are there any events you remember from your time at Northern that had a particularly large impact on you, or that interested you?

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Anderson: Seriously, Threesome. No, I'm just kidding that would never happen. But if it did I would definitely bring it up in this interview because that's something you should know about. God, there's a couple man, there's a couple. First time when we took that camping trip and we were looking at the stars, remember that? Remember looking at that big moon shining over Lake Superior. That was one of the most beautiful things I have seen. And, ah god. I can't tell you how long man. It's one of those sights- You know how music distracts the mind from the tyranny of constant thought?- conscious thought?. That's it-,it distracted me from everything. There was no thought, there was no thought on my mind. Throughout that whole sight. I, I, I, just I just, I had so much respect for mother nature at that point of time and it was such an amazing feeling. That's when I truly realize I love it up here. I really do love it up here. Hands down, I would never take advantage of what I got. Like. That's coming from a suburban kid that's grown up around hummers and tanning salons and fucking I don't know. Yea. Did I give you the interview of a lifetime? Are you really like soaking right now?

Hauk: It's been a pleasure.

Anderson: How good of a pleasure? I really enjoyed it. I think we bonded on a bunch of different levels.



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