Baker brawl prompts investigation

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The incident began when she and two of her roommates entered the dormitory's elevator to go to their room. Platakis, who also lives on the sixth floor, joined them. The police report indicated that Platakis then leaned over Jablonski, who was standing in the corner of the elevator, and began asking her for a date. The incident was witnessed by an administration official, Jablonski reportedly cursed out the other female present, after which Platakis physically assaulted her. Platakis claimed that Dorf was hostile: "He gave me the choice of whether I wanted to fight beside Baker or outside my room. . . . At that point I ran down the stairs, not thinking that he may have been already in the building."

Dorf said that, "A few weeks ago, Steve had approached a female friend of mine who was from Simmons College at a party and was similarly obnoxious in his behavior"—a charge which Platakis denied. Nevertheless, Dorf contended that the previous incident had not been a motive for this brawl. Other houses will be able to select their House Fellows and either contact those faculty directly or ask the ODSA to do so. The process will depend on the specific houses, McBain said.

"As with the freshman initiativa that started a year ago, we have the same idea of being flexible," he said. At this point, he said, there are no strict guidelines or ways the program will operate. "Since it is in the experimental stage, the ODSA's objective is to learn the kind and extent of faculty-student interaction that will be appropriate for each participating house. Differences will appear," McBain said, because of the varying sizes and facilities of the dormitories.

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