

SG01 TOWN AND GOWN

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BOILERPLATE

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"When you play, play *hard*." - Theodore Roosevelt

THE SCORE

LOWER EDUCATION

Universities are strange places, and small town universities even more so. Faculty fight viciously with each other because the stakes are so low. Students grub for grades, or give up and drift through school. Townies hate the school, but it's the only thing keeping the town alive, and many of them go to school part-time.

Given the pressure and the fault lines that run deep beneath, it's no wonder that sometimes cracks appear.

MOVIE NIGHT

PCU, the third season of *Veronica Mars* (TV), *Wonder Boys*, *Dead Man on Campus*.

Sample file

RELATIONSHIPS...

1 SCHOOL

- ◻ Grader and class member
- ◻◻ Classmates
- ◻◻ ROTC cadets
- ◻◻ Tutor and tutee
- ◻◻ Sports star and groupie
- ◻◻◻ Activities council (bringing in bands, planning campus parties)

2 WORK

- ◻ Shitty on-campus job (library, cafeteria, history department)
- ◻◻ Bar manager and bartender
- ◻◻ Campus maintenance, repair, and grounds-keeping
- ◻◻ Tattoo artist and client
- ◻◻ Shitty off-campus job (probably fast food)
- ◻◻◻ Campus Security

3 FRIENDSHIP

- ◻ Roomies
- ◻◻ Freaks and geeks
- ◻◻ Fraternity/sorority
- ◻◻ Drinking buddies
- ◻◻ Neophyte Marxist revolutionaries
- ◻◻◻ Online friends (MMORPG, forums)

4 ROMANCE

- ◻ Married
- ◻. Fuck buddies
- ◻. Crazy exes
- ◻. Passionate lovers
- ◻. This one time, drunk, after the big game
- ◻. Open relationship/poly

5 CRIME

- ◻ Grade fixers
- ◻. Petty thief and fence
- ◻. Drug supplier and on-campus dealer
- ◻. Doing the university's dirty work
- ◻. Providers of fine Mary Jane
- ◻. Bookie and game fixer

6 AROUND TOWN

- ◻ Church members
- ◻. "Keep Our Town Clean!" litter pick-up group
- ◻. Big Brothers / Big Sisters
- ◻. City advisory council on school/town relations
- ◻. YMCA volunteers
- ◻. Rec league

...AT A SMALL-TOWN
UNIVERSITY

NEEDS...

1 TO GET EVEN

- ☐ ...with an ex who fucked you over
- ☐ ...with your bitterest rival
- ☐ ...more fucked up tonight than last night
- ☐ ...with a faculty member
- ☐ ...fewer class hours than last semester
- ☐ ...with that rat bastard the mayor

2 TO GET OUT

- ☐ ...of town before metaphorical chickens come home to roost
- ☐ ...of a hastily-made promise that's going to come back to bite you
- ☐ ...of that one class you totally shouldn't have signed up for
- ☐ ...of tomorrow night's shift, because it's party time
- ☐ ...from under all of this student debt
- ☐ ...of responsibility for a terrible mistake

3 TO GET IN

- ☐ ...to a fraternity/sorority
- ☐ ...good with a faculty member
- ☐ ...trouble one last time before you leave
- ☐ ...bed with the town's corrupt mayor
- ☐ ...to the university, even if it kills you
- ☐ ...on whatever the YMCA's got going on

4 TO GET LAID

- ☐ ...because it's time you popped your cherry
- ◻ ...by that smokin' hot girl you're always seeing around
- ◼ ...because revenge is best served cold
- ◽ ...to relive better times
- ◾ ...by as many people as possible
- ◿ ...to hold up your end of the bargain

5 TO GET RICH

- ☐ ...by embezzling school funds
- ◻ ...by stealing some totally sick stuff
- ◼ ...by killing someone old
- ◽ ...by cheating a drug dealer
- ◾ ...by beating the shit out of someone
- ◿ ...by becoming an Internet millionaire

6 TO GET THE TRUTH

- ☐ ...about what happened down by the gravel pit
- ◻ ...about what the school is hiding
- ◼ ...about the accident
- ◽ ...about what happened to the vanished students
- ◾ ...about someone's cheating ways
- ◿ ...about what the YMCA people are really up to

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