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*Speaker 1:* Hello this is. My name is Dylan Shafer and I am with

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*Speaker 2:* My name's Catherine small. I'm 20 years old and I'm an exchange student from the UK.

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*Speaker 1:* Where is your family from in the UK?

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*Speaker 2:* Both my parents are Scottish and then they moved on to England with me and my brother were both born.

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*Speaker 1:* Is there anything you want to talk about from your childhood or any experiences.

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*Speaker 2:* I have a good childhood. Yeah, I went to a primary school in my village.

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*Speaker 2:* I was in school all the way through to 18.

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*Speaker 2:* I went to university in the UK to study history.

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*Speaker 1:* Are you religious?

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*Speaker 2:* Yes I was christened when I was a baby and I'm still Christian. I believe in Christianity.

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*Speaker 2:* I'm part of the Methodist association

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*Speaker 1:* I'm a Methodist too. How did you come to America? You came as an exchange student?

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*Speaker 2:* Yes. So, this is my first time here. I came by myself. No one else in my family has been to the US before. So yeah, I'm here studying for a year as part of my university degree.

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*Speaker 1:* Um do you want to explain more a little bit more about your town here.

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*Speaker 2:* So, I'm from the county of West Sussex.

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*Speaker 2:* It's in the south of England. The various outfits on the English Channel which borders funds got near Plymouth.

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*Speaker 2:* Yeah. Well or somewhere. Well it's Portsmouth. Yeah, it's the others. Yeah.

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*Speaker 2:* It's the other side. Yeah, it's really nice mm. What was your first impression of Harrisonburg?

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*Speaker 2:* It feels very like communal right. There seems to me like in a strong sense of community here and I felt safe pretty much straight away which was a concern of mine because it's such obviously America's so big that I and I come from an area which is really small that I was concerned about but not instantly felt welcomed and safe.

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*Speaker 1:* And have you seen any changes in the short time you've been here in Harrisonburg.

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*Speaker 2:* Not really. Like I guess that when I came here I everyone was really friendly, and I immediately felt welcomed and that hasn't really changed.

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*Speaker 2:* Like I haven't noticed any difference

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*Speaker 1:* I think I already know the answer to this one, but have you even met a significant other.

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*Speaker 2:* No.

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*Speaker 1:* Do you have a job here.

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*Speaker 2:* No, I'm not allowed based on my student visa.

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*Speaker 1:* Do you work back in the UK.

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*Speaker 2:* Yeah, I work in the summer holidays like kids summer camp. Yeah.

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*Speaker 2:* Okay.

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*Speaker 1:* And do you have like a business or organization you're involved with here on campus or in Harrisonburg.

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*Speaker 2:* Not really. I'm involved in sort of being an ambassador for my university about Come here. If that makes sense so trying to get students to do a semester abroad at my university in.

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*Speaker 1:* And so what are your future plans.

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*Speaker 2:* Finish their share and go home. I'll do my final year and then hopefully go into politics in some way either through journalism or work and so in office.

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*Speaker 1:* What changes do you think you would like to see in Harrisonburg and we are going to save the world, in terms of foreign nationals.

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*Speaker 2:* I think in terms of the world I think people should become a lot more tolerant of those that are foreign coming into that country. I know being from the UK it's also a contentious issue that I personally think everyone should be welcomed everywhere. Yeah I just I think I'd like to see people become more tolerant unless scene phobic.

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*Speaker 2:* Yeah yeah yeah.

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*Speaker 1:* What do you think of the rhetoric used in immigration both here and abroad.

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*Speaker 2:* I think it's one to try and make people scared and to try and make people fear. People coming into the country and make them see them as a threat as opposed to someone that could help in which the culture already. I think it's a shame. I think it should be the other way around.

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*Speaker 1:* But what what do you think students should learn about immigration and foreign nationals having.

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*Speaker 2:* During my youth but now I personally think it's something that if possible every student should try and do. It's been a really enriching experience for me in terms of learning about a new culture and sort of learning to embrace as much as possible and I think it's something lots of students would benefit from if they could make it.

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*Speaker 1:* That's all I got so that's going to be and be the end of the interview.

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