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"Security officers got the commitment from some of us that we will no longer participate in the Baha'i Open University classes" – Anonymous Baha'i student

- Security forces raided a classroom of Baha'i students and compelled them to pledge that they will no longer attend their class.
- On November 27, 2013, security forces raided the house of Baha'i citizen named Shamim Shabrou, where classes were held for Baha'i students who are denied access to higher education by Iranian authorities due to their belief in the Baha'i faith.
- An informed source told HRANA: "Shortly after the start of the class, security forces savagely entered the house with a warrant and confiscated all cellphones after conducting physical inspections."
- The students were reportedly filmed and photographed by security forces. They were also told that they would be summoned to court on November 30, 2013.
- Over 1,500 Baha'i students are reportedly denied access to higher education in Iran.
- "Security forces raided a classroom at the Baha'i University", *Human Rights Activists News Agency*, November 28, 2013, <https://www.hra-news.org/1389-01-27-05-24-07/17194-1.html>