

The Classroom Intifada: How U.S. Universities Have Become Hotbeds of Hate

The Lie:

- University campuses across America are safe and welcoming for everyone — including Jewish and pro-Israel students.

The Truth:

- Under the guise of “academic freedom,” elite universities are platforming antisemitic activism, giving professors who glorify terror and deny Hamas’s crimes the prestige of Ivy League classrooms.

Background:

- Princeton University just released its Spring 2026 Course Catalogue, featuring a course titled “Gender, Reproduction, and Genocide,” which describes Israel’s conduct in Gaza as “the ongoing genocide.”
- The course will be taught by Dr. Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian—an instructor previously suspended and arrested in Israel for incitement—and comes amid a nationwide surge in campus antisemitism and growing concern that academic institutions are enabling anti-Israel hostility.

Truth Explained:

- Princeton University hired **Dr. Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian** in October 2024 despite her record of antisemitism and anti-Israel incitement. She signed an open letter accusing Israel of “genocide,” said on Israeli TV “*It’s time to abolish Zionism. It can’t continue, it’s criminal.*” She dismissed reports of Hamas’s sexual violence as “lies,” and was suspended and arrested in Israel for suspected incitement. Two weeks later, she posted a Facebook tribute to **PFLP leader Ghassan Kanafani**, responsible for the 1972 Lod Airport massacre that killed 26 people, including 17 Americans. [Jewish Onliner, Nov 4](#)
- At **Columbia University**, Professor **Mahmood Mamdani**, father of New York Mayor Elect Zohran Mamdani, sits on the **Gaza Tribunal’s advisory council** alongside **Ramy Abdu**, an Israel-designated Hamas operative. Mamdani’s participation reflects how extremist, CAIR-aligned ideology has infiltrated the Ivy League classrooms. [Jewish Onliner, Oct 28 2025](#).
- A **federal class-action lawsuit** filed by Jewish students against **Chapman University** documented “a pattern of ethnic and racial intimidation,” including death threats, vandalized Israeli memorials, and chants of “Death to Jews,” with no disciplinary action taken by administrators. [Times of Israel, Nov 5 2025](#)
- Antisemitism on campus is widespread: **73%** of Jewish college students in the U.S. have experienced or witnessed antisemitism. Globally, **78%** of Jewish students hide their identity, and **81%** conceal Zionist beliefs for fear of attack. [Axios, Nov 29 2023](#); [Times of Israel, Sept 16 2025](#)
- A **2025 Sutherland Institute study** found that “very liberal” Jewish undergraduates are **nine times more likely** to side with Palestinians than conservatives, showing that **ideological indoctrination, not education, is reshaping Jewish identity on campus**. [Sutherland Institute / AEI, June 4 2025](#)

Quotes:

- “When over three-quarters of Jewish students feel they must conceal their identity, the situation is nothing short of dire.” — Marina Rosenberg, ADL (*Times of Israel*, Sept 16 2025)
- “Universities were meant to teach moral courage. Instead, they are normalizing moral collapse.” — Matthew Mainen, National Jewish Advocacy Center (*Times of Israel*, Nov 5 2025)

Takeaway:

From Princeton to Chapman, antisemitism is no longer fringe: it’s being taught. Academic freedom cannot excuse the mainstreaming of hate against Jews.

Sources:

[Times of Israel, Nov 5 2025](#); [Jewish Onliner, Nov 4 2025](#); [Axios, Nov 29 2023](#); [Times of Israel, Sept 16 2025](#); [Sutherland Institute / AEI, June 4 2025](#)