

Combating Antisemitism on Campus

Your safety first!



Understanding Antisemitism:

DEFINITION:

ANTISEMITISM IS DISCRIMINATION, HOSTILITY, OR PREJUDICE AGAINST JEWS. IT'S KNOWN AS THE "LONGEST HATRED," APPEARING IN VARIOUS FORMS LIKE CONSPIRACY THEORIES, STREET RACISM, HOLOCAUST DENIAL, AND BIASED ACADEMIC WORKS.

FORMS:

FAR RIGHT: NAZI OR NATIONALIST IDEOLOGIES PORTRAYING JEWS AS RACIAL ENEMIES.
FAR LEFT: ASSOCIATING JEWS WITH CAPITALISM OR GLOBALISM, FRAMING THEM AS A CLASS ENEMY.
ISLAMIST: IDEOLOGICAL GROUPS (E.G., ISIS, AL-QAEDA) CAST JEWS AS ENEMIES OF ISLAM.

IHRA DEFINITION:

THE INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE ALLIANCE DEFINES ANTISEMITISM AS "A CERTAIN PERCEPTION OF JEWS, WHICH MAY BE EXPRESSED AS HATRED TOWARD JEWS." IT RECOGNIZES THAT CRITICISM OF ISRAEL ISN'T INHERENTLY ANTISEMITIC BUT CLARIFIES WHERE ANTISEMITISM OVERLAPS WITH ANTI-ZIONISM.

Anti-Zionism & Antisemitism

'Anti-Zionism' encompasses a spectrum of negative attitudes toward Jewish self-governance, particularly Jewish nationalism and the existence of Israel as a Jewish state.

Anti-Zionism can be considered antisemitic either in its intention or its impact, as it often draws upon anti-Jewish stereotypes, aims to marginalize, vilify, or punish all Jews and individuals with ties to Israel, exploits Jewish historical suffering like the Holocaust to equate Jews with Nazis, or diminishes the legitimacy of Jewish nationhood and self-determination compared to other nations.

Certain criticisms of Israel unmistakably veer into antisemitism. This occurs, for instance, when they isolate and demonize Zionists and Zionism (the movement advocating Jewish self-governance and statehood), incorporate anti-Jewish stereotypes, hold all Jews accountable for the actions of Israel, or employ traditional antisemitic symbols or comparisons to the Nazi regime.

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01 Educate

- Attend interfaith events, invite Jewish speakers, and commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day.
- Use resources like [EUCARE](#), [UJS](#), [ADL](#), [AJC](#), and Jewish Society (J-Soc) for ideas and support.

02 Report

- Report all antisemitic incidents to campus authorities and organizations, which provides guidelines to support Jewish students.
- Leverage bias-reporting systems to document behavior.

03 Foster Relations

- Promote healthy discussions to prevent hostility from anti-Israel campaigns.
- Encourage mutual respect and discourage entrenched, divisive stances.

04 Challenge Antisemitism

- Utilize the IHRA definition to identify antisemitic behavior, particularly when it intersects with anti-Zionism.
- Raise awareness and ensure that debates about Israel remain free from antisemitic bias.

05 Advocate for Safe Spaces

- Work with campus authorities to ensure Jewish facilities are protected, and antisemitic behavior is addressed swiftly.
- Support university policies that emphasize inclusivity and understanding.

06 Prioritize Your Safety

- Be aware of heightened risks following the Israel-Hamas conflict.
- Follow recommendations from university and Jewish campus groups
- Avoid direct engagement with protesters and heed safety guidelines.

07 Ensure University Accountability

- Advocate for enhanced security measures and transparent safety protocols.
- Request updates on steps taken to protect Jewish students and facilities.

08 Report Antisemitic Activity

- Report hate speech and antisemitic behavior to both campus authorities and local law enforcement.
- Seek assistance from the responsible organizations to ensure your anonymity.



09 Report Code of Conduct Violations

- Monitor social media threats, disruptive behavior, and damage to property.
- Understand how to file reports, and encourage peers to report bias incidents.

10 Hold Faculty Accountable

- Report professors who create hostile environments or spread misinformation to department chairs and Academic Affairs.

11 Educate Yourself

- Attend workshops on Israel and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
- Rely on reputable sources like AJC, ADL, CST

12 Build Community

- Engage with diverse Jewish groups on and off-campus through.

13 Foster Dialogue and Inclusivity

- Organize forums for constructive conversations on antisemitism.
- Collaborate with other student groups for understanding and unity.

14 Advocate for Clear Antisemitism Definitions:

- Promote adoption of the IHRA definition to help universities understand antisemitism, especially anti-Zionist expressions.

15 Establish an Antisemitism Task Force:

- A task force can provide actionable recommendations directly to senior leadership.

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Dos and Don'ts:

DO:

- Contact campus security or local police if your safety is at risk.
- Report incidents through your campus bias-incident system.
- Document incidents with photos or videos.
- Ensure the university president condemns antisemitism publicly.
- Encourage staff training on recognizing antisemitism via programs like EUCARE.

DON'T:

- Use hateful language in response.
- Remove antisemitic posters without university approval.
- Call for bans on free speech; counter harmful speech with inclusive dialogue.
- Give up; change requires persistence despite setbacks.

We've curated a selection of essential videos designed to equip you with strategies for navigating potentially threatening situations, whether on campus or elsewhere.

You can access these resources on our E-learning Platform and YouTube Channel, which we've linked for your convenience. We encourage you to share this valuable resource with relevant groups.

- **YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/@eucare-project/playlists>
- **E-learning:** <https://learn.eu-care.net/>

You can find additional resources on our **website:**

- <https://eu-care.net/materials-useful-links/>

In the newsletter are used resources from:

[AJC](#), [ADL](#), [CST](#)

Stay vigilant and stay safe!
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