

Recent Statements by California Officials and University of California (UC) Leadership on the Need to Stop Faculty Incitement of Campus Antisemitism

- **CA Legislative Jewish Caucus [on Nov. 7, 2023](#):**
 - “We are also deeply troubled by reports of UC and CSU faculty egregiously abusing their authority over students to amplify antisemitic and anti-Israel propaganda in what appear to be clear violations of campus rules, Regents’ policy, and California law...Sadly, to our knowledge, there has been no meaningful response to such abuses, which has only served to further embolden those who are creating a climate of hate on our campuses.”
 - “In light of these abuses, the UC and CSU systems must take immediate action to protect Jewish students.”
- **Governor Gavin Newsom [on Nov. 13, 2023](#):**
 - “Antisemitism globally and at home has proliferated at a shocking speed and scale. And some faculty have inflamed the discourse with violent rhetoric... This is unacceptable and demands action.”
- **UC Regent Chair Richard Leib [on Nov. 15, 2023](#):**
 - “I’ve heard from many Jewish students [that] have shared specific instances in which they believe their rights have been violated by episodes of academic abuse...in violation of the faculty code of conduct and our University policies. Today, I just want to tell you I think that is not OK.”
 - “I don’t think we’ve seen the enforcement of these clear violations...The Governor and members of the legislature have directly called on us to do better...We have no patience for faculty who abuse their positions and willfully violate our policies.”
- **CA Legislative Jewish Caucus [on Jan. 3, 2024](#):**
 - “We cannot recall another time in recent history when Jews in California felt as targeted, threatened, and unsafe as they do now.”
 - “We are deeply concerned about Jewish students at UC and CSU campuses who have been highly impacted by antisemitism inside and outside the classroom. Shortly after October 7, the UC Ethnic Studies Council, who are UC faculty members, celebrated the Hamas attack as ‘part of the Palestinian freedom struggle’ and strenuously objected to the use of the word ‘terrorism’ to describe the intentional murder, rape, and kidnapping of Israeli children and adults.”
 - “Unfortunately, these disturbing [antisemitic] incidents build upon an ongoing effort by a group of activists with extreme views who, for years, have been attempting to use ethnic studies as a vehicle to teach anti-Israel and anti-Jewish hate in our public schools.”
 - “Taken together, these efforts to use California’s public education system to indoctrinate young people with dangerous anti-Jewish stereotypes, misinformation, and hateful rhetoric is a top concern for our Jewish Caucus. Certain individuals charged with educating California’s children appear committed instead to teaching them to view Jews as oppressors, to hate Israel, to reject Israel’s right to exist, and to view ‘resistance’ (in this context, killing Jews) as somehow acceptable or even laudable. We cannot overstate how problematic such incitement is for Jews in California and for our community’s future in the Golden State, particularly given our longstanding historical experience with anti-Jewish rhetoric leading quickly to anti-Jewish violence.”