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THE CHALK: YOUR WEEKLY CIE UPDATE



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Our Aug. 10 program will be in person in the Atlanta area and online for people everywhere to help college students thrive Jewishly on campus, high school students prepare for what lies ahead and parents support whatever their children need. We'll address such issues as:

- What students should expect on campus now.
- How to choose courses and make the most of college.
- What problematic words and phrases truly mean.
- How to identify and respond to bias in the classroom.
- What to do when others violate your rights.
- Where to turn for resources and support.

Speakers include ADL, Hillel, rabbinic and CIE experts, plus students and grads from Emory, Indiana, Kennesaw State and Queens universities.

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Resilience Prep for College Students

August 10, 2025
2-4 PM FREE
The Atlanta area location will be provided upon registration.

Topics from Jewish professionals:

- Understanding the role of Jewish life on campus
- Deciding where to seek support
- Recognizing when protest crosses your rights
- Knowing where to turn for support
- Making the most of your college years

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ACADEMIC DISFAVOR: University faculties have long been hostile toward Israel. **Why it matters:** The classroom should deliver education, not indoctrination.

[Read CIE President Ken Stein's timely report on anti-Israel teaching from fall 2023 \(en español\).](#)

JEWISH TARGETS: Anti-Zionist activism veering into hatred of Jews was a factor at U.S. colleges long before October 7, 2023. **Why it matters:** Jewish students should expect better than a return to the pre-war situation.

Examples to read: [eroding respect for Israel in 2004](#); surging campus antisemitism after the 2014 Hamas-Israel war as [studied by Brandeis](#), [observed by Ruth Wisse](#) and [linked to BDS activism](#);



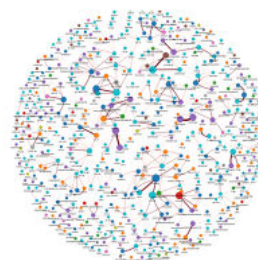
and [student tensions with Israel, 2021](#).



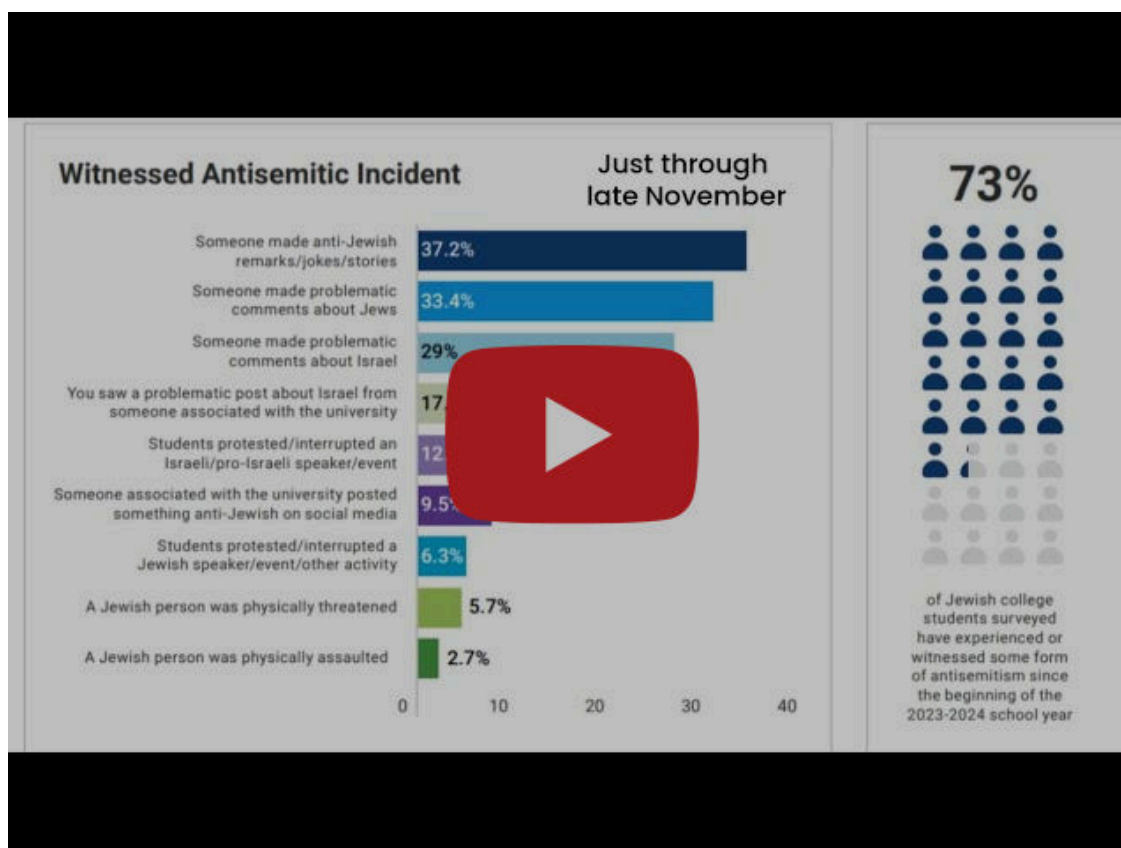
A JEWISH ANSWER: CIE board member Gil Troy prescribed Israel literacy after watching three university presidents fail to call out campus antisemitism in 2023. **Why it matters:** A strong foundation of knowledge helps weather anti-Zionist storms. [Read Professor Troy's insights](#).

PLENTIFUL PROBLEMS: Studies and surveys keep coming out about the tough situation Jewish students face at many schools. **Why it matters:** The reports demonstrate that campus anti-Israel and anti-Jewish expressions are real issues, regardless of disagreements over solutions. Examples to read: [a June 2025 report from Indiana University's Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism](#), as [discussed here](#); a [May 2025 report on conflicted Jewish student feelings](#), as [discussed here](#); [a Jewish Northwestern student's struggle this spring with antisemitism and the federal anti-funding response](#); and three rounds of reports from Columbia's antisemitism task force in [March 2024](#), [August 2024](#) and [June 2025](#).

ROBERT A. AND SANDRA E. BORIS JEWISH STUDIES PROGRAM
INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY
OF CONTEMPORARY ANTISEMITISM



Anti-Israel Campus Groups: Online Networks & Narratives



Antisemitism in Campus Protests

The sometimes-violent, often-physical anti-Israel college demonstrations since October 2023 have used outside funding and participation to spread the false



SEPARATE PATHS: A British commission found that the Jewish community in Mandatory Palestine had developed at least three distinct education systems by 1945, while the Arab community devoted little to education.

Why it matters: Israel's [multiple educational systems](#) are in some ways extensions of the pre-state era. [Read the report.](#)

OVER-ASSIMILATION: On [July 28, 1845](#), early German Reform rabbis, led by David Einhorn (right), agreed to drop all prayers calling for a return to Israel. **Why it matters:** This embrace of European emancipation failed to protect Jews. [Read more from this week in Israeli history.](#)



BACK TO CLASS: Consider our [Israel curriculum for second- to seventh-graders, curriculum on the June 1967 war](#), and other CIE materials for your students next school year. [Check out everything in the Store.](#)

ELEVATE ISRAEL LEARNING: CIE is a nonprofit working to improve knowledge and understanding of modern Israel. [Your tax-deductible donation can help.](#)

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