

On university protests

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Robert Reich [wrote this a few days ago](#). I share it because I think it wholly appropriate to do so, and that his words were wise:

Let's be clear about a few things.

Antisemitism should have no place in America — not on college campuses or anywhere else.

But there is nothing inherently antisemitic about condemning the ongoing bloodshed in Gaza that has so far killed at least 34,000 people, mostly women and children.

Protesting this slaughter is not hate speech. It is what should be done on a college campus — taking a stand against a perceived wrong, at least provoking discussion and debate.

The mission of a university is to coach students how to learn, not tell them what to think. Peaceful demonstrations should be encouraged, not shut down. And having armed police arrest peaceful student demonstrators is never acceptable.

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