

Project Esther, Antisemitism and Democracy

Reference List

September 14, 2025

Project Esther, A National Strategy to Combat Antisemitism written by the Heritage Foundation October 7, 2024

<https://www.heritage.org/progressivism/report/project-esther-national-strategy-combat-antisemitism>

Examining Trump's approach to combat antisemitism on campus

A look at 'Project Esther' and Trump's approach to combat antisemitism on campus

07/28/2025:

https://www.pbs.org/video/antisemitism-in-america-1753736556/?utm_source=The+Forward+Association&utm_campaign=eb44685247-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2025_05_05_05_02_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0-db61d2e354-273153214

“Project Esther”: Exploiting Jewish Fear to Advance Dangerous Policy A resource by The Nexus Project and T’ruah, March 2025:

https://truah.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Project-Esther_-Exploiting-Jewish-Fear-to-Advance-Dangerous-Policy_Truah-Nexus-resource_March-2025.pdf

The Face-Off Between Harvard & The Trump Administration

Fresh Air with Terry Gross, June 4, 2025

The Trump administration has frozen around 3 billion dollars in Harvard grants and contracts, and is trying to stop the university's ability to enroll foreign students. In response, Harvard is suing. Terry Gross talks with Harvard Law Professor Noah Feldman.

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-face-off-between-harvard-the-trump-administration/id214089682?i=1000711198075>

**BROAD COALITION OF MAINSTREAM JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS RELEASE STATEMENT
REJECTING FALSE CHOICE BETWEEN JEWISH SAFETY & DEMOCRACY:**

April 15, 2025

<https://jewishpublicaffairs.org/press-release/jewishcommunalstatement/>

The Group Behind Project 2025 Has a Plan to Crush the Pro-Palestinian Movement

NYT May 18, 2025, Katie J.M. Baker, a national investigative correspondent for the New York Times.

Even before President Trump was re-elected, the Heritage Foundation, best known for Project 2025, set out to destroy pro-Palestinian activism in the United States.

https://www.nytimes.com/2025/05/18/us/project-esther-heritage-foundation-palestine.html?unlocked_article_code=1.hU8.T-GG.mFewz9Dnjc64&smid=url-share

Podcast about Project Esther, NYT

May 18, 2025

What is Project Esther? Katie J.M. Baker, a national investigative correspondent for The New York Times, explores the Heritage Foundation's plan to shut down pro-Palestinian activism, as well as actions taken by the Trump administration that appear to mirror its goals.

<https://www.nytimes.com/video/us/politics/10000010154898/inside-a-plan-to-shut-down-pro-palestinian-activism.html?searchResultPosition=4>

"Why American Jews No Longer Understand One Another" by Ezra Klein , NYTimes

NYT July 20, 2025

“It’s a tense time in the Jewish family group chats. The consensus that held American Jewry together for generations is breaking down. That consensus, roughly, was this: What is good for Israel is good for the Jews. Anti-Zionism is a form of antisemitism. And there will, someday soon, be a two-state solution that reconciles Zionism and liberalism.

Every component of that consensus has cracked.”

https://www.nytimes.com/2025/07/20/opinion/antisemitism-american-jews-israel-mamdani.html?unlocked_article_code=1.hU8.qSEM.WMnhddzG22Xt&smid=url-share

REFERENCES EXPLAINING ANTISEMITISM DEFINITIONS:

<https://holocaustremembrance.com/resources/working-definition-antisemitism>

<https://nexusproject.us/nexus-resources/the-nexus-document/>

<https://jerusalemdeclaration.org/>

A Very Brief Guide to Antisemitism 2024

This guide (updated for 2024) provides context, language, and tools to help navigate the difficult terrain around antisemitism, and will help us all to fight antisemitism, along with all other forms of racial, cultural, religious, and gender oppression.

<https://truah.org/antisemitism/>