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## [UCLA announces new campus safety office after violent protests](#)

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The University of **California**, Los Angeles (UCLA) said it will create a new office focused on campus safety after violence broke out at a pro-Palestine protest encampment last week.

Dozens of protesters were injured after [counterprotesters assaulted the encampment](#) overnight Wednesday for hours without police intervention, and police [fired rubber bullets](#) at the protesters Thursday while making arrests.

Chancellor Gene Block said Sunday in a [message to students](#) that “urgent changes are needed in how we administer safety operations,” adding that he is committed to a “thorough investigation of our security processes.”

The new Office of Public Safety will have oversight over campus police and emergency response, he said. The office is to be led by former Sacramento police chief Rick Brazier.

Block said violence at recent protests had “strained trust within our community,” but he did not reference any specific incident.

The university also announced that students will return to class Monday after all of last week’s classes were canceled due to the protests.

More than 200 UCLA students were arrested last week, **California** Highway Patrol said.

The UCLA clashes marked the most violent conflict in a nationwide movement [of campus pro-Palestine protests](#). Hundreds of college campuses have seen similar protests in recent weeks, with more than 2,000 students being arrested nationwide.

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Biden warns against violent student protests US president backs police raids on campuses and denounces lawlessness

## **Biden warns against violent student protests; US president backs police raids on campuses and denounces lawlessness**

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ANDREW JACK in New York and FELICIA SCHWARTZ in Washington President Joe Biden has denounced the violence associated with pro-Palestinian demonstrations that have broken out on elite campuses across the US, saying that while peaceful protests are protected speech, lawlessness will not be tolerated.

In his first public comments since police stormed university encampments set up by protesters from New York to Los Angeles, Mr Biden warned demonstrators that acts of chaos should not be permitted and that he supported efforts by law enforcement to restore order.

We're a civil society and order must prevail, Mr Biden said from the White House. Violent protest is not protected; peaceful protest is. It's against the law when violence occurs. Destroying property is not a peaceful protest, it's against the law.

**Police action** Mr Biden's remarks came after the University of California, Los Angeles became the latest campus to see police action to break up a student encampment. UCLA had become the scene of violent clashes when a pro-Israel counterdemonstration attempted to dismantle the encampment on Tuesday night.

In the early hours of yesterday, Los Angeles police officers in riot gear removed tents and obstacles and detained protesters, leading them away with zip ties around their wrists, following disruption that led the university to cancel classes. The officers used flash-bang devices to disorient people in the crowds, local media reported.

The police raid at UCLA followed similar moves at Columbia University in New York, the University of Texas in Austin, the University of Wisconsin in Madison and Dartmouth College in New Hampshire. More than 1,600 people have been arrested at 30 colleges across the US since April 18th. Mr Biden has come under criticism from congressional Republicans for not being more outspoken against the demonstrations, which have forced several universities to cancel graduation ceremonies and move classes online.

Donald Trump, the presumptive Republican nominee for president, praised Los Angeles and New York police for their actions at UCLA and Columbia, where police made 282 arrests on Tuesday night, and blamed the radical left for the ongoing disruptions on campuses.

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This is a movement from the left, not from the right. The right is not your problem, Mr Trump said. These are radical left lunatics. And they ve got to be stopped.

At the same time, many Democrats and academics have expressed alarm at the heavy-handed approach taken by the police; most of the campus protests have been peaceful, even if several have violated campus rules over camping out on university grounds.

Columbia faculty yesterday called for a vote of no confidence in Minouche Shafik, the university s president, condemning the school leadership s decision to call in police without consulting its own senate.

The Columbia University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors said recent decisions had irrevocably undermined our trust in the administration and were the culmination of shocking failures of decision-making and judgment over the past seven months . Copyright The Financial Times Limited 2024

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Biden condemns unrest following Gaza protests after police storm campuses: 'Violent protest is not protected'

***Biden condemns unrest following Gaza protests after police storm campuses: 'Violent protest is not protected'***

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Joe Biden on Thursday condemned over the last week, while in support of the Palestinians' treatment during .President Biden said peaceful protest is "in the best tradition of how Americans respond to consequential issues" because the US is "not an authoritarian nation where we silence people or squash dissent". He said the images of police clashing with...

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## **Biden vs. Trump on college protests: What their clashing messages say about 2024 election**

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**WASHINGTON** — [President Joe Biden](#) and former [President Donald Trump](#) clashed this week over Palestinian protests that erupted on college campuses, signaling vastly different messages for the 2024 election.

[In a seemingly impromptu speech](#) Thursday at the White House, Biden tried [to strike a balance](#) on the nationwide campus chaos, arguing the U.S. must respect peaceful protest while making clear "**violent protest**" is not protected."

Biden's speech followed days of attacks from Trump on the demonstrators. It underscored the delicate line Biden is walking to keep [intact the Democratic coalition](#), including [young voters protesting the war in Gaza](#), while not wavering from his support for Israel.

"There's the right to protest, but not the right to cause chaos," Biden said.

**More:** [President Biden breaks silence on campus unrest: 'Violent protest is not protected'](#)

Trump, between appearances this week [in a New York courtroom](#) for his hush-money trial, struck a very different tone, encouraging the [police crackdowns at Columbia University](#), University of **California**, Los Angeles, and other colleges across the nation. He went a step farther than Biden in his law-and order messaging, celebrating the police crackdown as "a beautiful thing to watch."

Trump, the presumptive Republican nominee, is working to tie Biden to [the chaos and destruction on colleges](#) in an appeal to undecided independent voters, suburban voters and [moderate Republicans unsure about backing Trump](#).

"These are radical left lunatics, and they've got to be stopped now," Trump said of the protesters before his court appearance Thursday.

### **Colleges protests presented Biden with no good options politically**

For days leading up to Biden's most extensive remarks on the protests, Trump taunted Biden about his silence on the images of destruction on college campuses.

Biden subtly struck back Thursday.

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"In moments like this, there are always those who rush in to score political points," Biden said, without mentioning Trump by name. "But this isn't a moment for politics, it's a moment for clarity."

The wave of college protests presented Biden with a dilemma: Speaking out forcefully against the protests and applauding actions of university leaders and police could further alienate himself with young voters, a key Democratic constituency. But defending the rights of the protesters feeds new lines of attack to Trump and Republicans, who want to pin the national unrest on Biden.

In the end, Biden tried to have it both ways — saying enough is enough with the violence, but standing up for the right to peacefully protest. Biden also condemned antisemitism that's surfaced at some protests, while also denouncing "Islamophobia" and discrimination against Arab Americans.

"We are not an authoritarian nation where we silence people or squash dissent," Biden said. "But neither are we a lawless country. We are a civil society, and order must prevail."

Two of Biden's most telling remarks came after his prepared speech was over. Asked by a reporter whether the protests have forced him to reconsider his policy on Israel, Biden responded, "No."

And asked whether he believes the National Guard needs to intervene in protests — like some Republicans have demanded — Biden also said, "No."

### Trump uses college protests to downplay Jan. 6 attacks

Similar to the George Floyd protests of 2020, Trump and Republicans have pointed to the pro-Palestinian protests on college campuses to paint Biden and Democrats as beholden to the far left and unwilling to enforce the law.

**More:** [Who will Donald Trump choose as his running mate? What to know as potential VPs gather in Florida.](#)

[Speaker Mike Johnson traveled last week to Columbia University](#) to seize on the protests, while other House Republicans this week made the short trip to George **Washington** University, another site of pro-Palestinian protests.

During a rally in Wisconsin on Wednesday — an off day for the trial — Trump said: "The radical extremists and far-left agitators are terrorizing college campuses, as you possibly noticed, and Biden's nowhere to be found; he hasn't said anything."

White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre rejected any notion that criticism from Trump prompted Biden's speech. "When it comes to something like this, he doesn't need to follow anyone," Jean-Pierre said.

[Link to Image](#)

With this year's protests, Trump has also argued there's a double standard for liberals and conservatives.

Trump has suggested that officials might not prosecute the kinds of demonstrators who took over, barricaded, and vandalized [a building at Columbia](#).

Trump is also using the violence to downplay the attack on the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, in which his supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol in **Washington**, D.C., in a failed effort to block certification of President Joe Biden's victory in the 2020 election.

In condemning the college demonstrators, Trump said this week: "I wonder if what's going to happen to them will be anything comparable to what happened to J6, because they're doing a lot of destruction, a lot of damages, a lot of people getting hurt very badly."

He added: "I think I can give you the answer right now ... and that's why people have lost faith in our court system."

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In response, Biden campaign spokesman James Singer said Trump has cheered on Jan. 6 and other right-wing protesters for years. Trump is "a chaotic, hateful, and divisive figure who fans the flames to turn Americans against each other."

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More than 2,000 pro-Palestinian protesters arrested across US campuses

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<https://www.theguardian.com> -Photo-'I was lying on the ground beside a wall of cops': student photographers' best images of the campus protests

Police arrest more than 200 students at UCLA as law enforcement clears camp at Dartmouth, arresting more than 90 students

By [Jessica Glenza](#) in **New York**, [Lois Beckett](#) in Los Angeles and agencies

More than 2,000 people have now been arrested during pro-Palestinian protests across dozens of **US** college campuses in recent weeks.

Police arrested more than 300 pro-Palestinian demonstrators on college campuses on Wednesday night into Thursday morning, pushing the total past 2,000, according to an Associated Press tally.

[More than 200](#) students were arrested at the University of **California**, Los Angeles, as police cleared a fortified encampment, [and more than 90 students](#) were arrested at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire.

Dozens more were arrested at the [University of New Hampshire](#) and at the [University of Buffalo](#). In Oregon, police moved into the [school's library](#) on Thursday, which has been occupied by demonstrators since Monday.

Police arrest nearly 300 Gaza protesters at **New York** universities – video

"We are not an authoritarian nation where we silence people or squash dissent," said Joe Biden. "But," he continued, "order must prevail."

"**Violent protest** is not protected – peaceful protest is," he said. Biden criticized what he called "**violent**" **protests**.

"Vandalism, trespassing, breaking windows, shutting down campuses, forcing the cancellation of classes and graduations – none of this is a peaceful protest," Biden said in a brief statement on Thursday morning.

## More than 2,000 pro-Palestinian protesters arrested across US campuses

"There's the right to protest, but not the right to cause chaos," the US president said. In response to a reporter's question, he said he did not think it was the right time to call the national guard.

In a Thursday report, the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project said that although [some clashes have broken out](#), "the overwhelming majority [of protests] – 99% – have remained peaceful".

The protests are part of a movement to force schools to divest from businesses that support the war in Gaza, and they reflect how the war has become a major flashpoint in US politics. More than 34,000 people have been killed in Gaza since Israel began a [campaign to dismantle Hamas](#), the Gaza health ministry has said. More people in Gaza have been thrust into [near starvation](#), as Israel has limited food aid to the area.

[On 7 October](#), Hamas killed more than 1,200 people and took roughly 250 hostages in an attack on Israel. Since the campaign against Hamas began, the US has provided [substantial military support to Israel](#), including most recently in a [\\$15bn aid package](#).

Student protests have [grown across the country](#) since an encampment sprang up at [Columbia University in New York in mid-April](#). In many cases, faculty members have [joined or supported student protesters](#), as police and universities have responded with force to demonstrations that threaten to continue into commencement season. [Hundreds](#) have been arrested in the weeks since the protests began.

Fireworks thrown at Gaza protesters as tensions rise at UCLA – video report

Police cleared out a protest camp at UCLA in the early hours of Thursday, and arrested at least 200 demonstrators. The police operation followed a [brutal hours-long attack](#) on the encampment on Tuesday night by masked "instigators" who came to campus and assaulted students with projectiles and chemical agents, while campus security and police retreated or stood by without intervening.

At least 1,000 people gathered on UCLA's campus late on Wednesday night, before police moved in, tearing down plywood and pallets that protesters had used to reinforce their encampment. [Students](#) described again being attacked with projectiles, fireworks and chemical agents. The chaotic operation lasted into the early hours of the morning.

By late Thursday morning, the campus had largely quieted down. The UCLA student newspaper the Daily Bruin [posted pictures](#) on social media of a campus building scrawled with graffiti saying, "Free Palestine" and "Fuck Israel".

In [New York](#), legal aid attorneys said they were still fighting to have protesters released more than 24 hours after they were first detained – many of whom were only charged with minor offenses and, attorneys said, should have never been arrested in the first place.

"Many protesters who were arrested earlier this week and arraigned last night were ultimately charged with criminal trespass, a low-level offense, and at that point, they should have been immediately released from custody," said Tina Luongo, Legal Aid Society chief criminal defense practice attorney.

At Dartmouth, where an encampment had only recently sprung up, a professor said the university responded with "full force", and posted a video of a white-haired colleague being grabbed and dragged away by police.

"In the hour or so it was allowed to exist, this was the model of a peaceful, inclusive protest," Jeff Sharlet, a professor at Dartmouth, told [the Washington Post](#). "They obstructed nothing; disrupted nothing; menaced nobody; and neither used nor displayed hate speech."

The [chaotic scenes at UCLA](#) came after [New York police](#) burst into a building occupied by anti-war protesters at Columbia on Tuesday night, breaking up a demonstration that had paralyzed the school.

More than 2,000 pro-Palestinian protesters arrested across US campuses

By Wednesday, a scrum had also broken out at the [University of Wisconsin](#), Madison, after police with shields removed all but one tent and shoved protesters. Four officers were injured, including a state trooper who was hit in the head with a skateboard, authorities said. Four were charged with battering law enforcement.

In one rare example of authorities de-escalating protests, [Brown University](#) in Rhode Island agreed to a divestment vote in October – apparently the first **US** college to agree to such a demand.

Authorities have also made arrests and cleared protest encampments at City College, Fordham University and Stony Brook College in **New York**; Portland State in Oregon; Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff; Tulane University in New Orleans; and the University of Texas, Dallas.

Student protests have also sprung up in [Canada](#), the [United Kingdom](#) and [Australia](#).

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## **Biden says 'order must prevail' as US college arrests top 2000**

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**Washington** | **US** President Joe Biden denounced violence and antisemitism that have erupted on university campuses across America during escalating protests against Israel's war in Gaza, but ruled out sending in the National Guard to restore order.

Breaking days of silence on Thursday (Friday AEST) over the sometimes violent clashes on campuses, Mr Biden defended the right to peaceful dissent but said the protesters had gone too far, as universities continued to struggle to regain control of their campuses.

"We are a civil society, and order must prevail," the president said in his first significant remarks on the protests since they began two weeks ago. "Dissent is essential to democracy. But dissent must never lead to disorder or to denying the rights of others."

"People have the right to get an education, the right to get a degree, the right to walk across the campus safely without fear of being attacked." Antisemitism, he added, "has no place" in America.

Police arrested some 200 people at the University of **California**, Los Angeles, where police finally cleared a large encampment on Thursday, following clashes between pro-Palestinian and pro-Israeli groups earlier this week.

More than 2100 people have now been arrested on 40 campuses across the country, since an encampment of protesters took hold at Columbia University in **New York**. Riot police were called into that Ivy League school on Tuesday after students broke into a hall as part of their protest.

Images of clashes and arrests are dominating debate in **Washington**, with Mr Biden under increasing pressure to restore order and reconsider his strong support for Israel's offensive in Gaza. Republican rival Donald Trump has called on college presidents to take a tougher stand against the student movement, but Mr Biden rejected Republican demands to call in the National Guard.

"**Violent protest** is not protected, peaceful protest is," the president said,

"Destroying property is not a peaceful protest. It's against the law. Vandalism, trespassing, breaking windows, shutting down campuses, forcing the cancellation of classes and graduations - none of this is a peaceful protest."

The protests are also drawing the attention of prominent business people such as Bill Ackman. The billionaire investor this week gave \$US10,000 to fraternity members at the University of North Carolina who held up an American flag while pro-Palestinian supporters threw items at them.



## Biden says 'order must prevail' as US college arrests top 2000

On Thursday, police vehicles carrying arrested protesters at Portland State University in Oregon were blocked by demonstrators, building on the almost 50 college protests across the country. Police had earlier cleared a library at the university that pro-Palestinian demonstrators had occupied since Monday. Officers said they made a dozen arrests, four of them students.

Israel has branded the protests antisemitic. Although some protesters have been caught on camera making antisemitic remarks or violent threats, protest organisers - some of whom are Jewish - call it a peaceful movement to defend Palestinian rights and protest the war.

The Israel-Hamas war has killed more than 34,000 Palestinians in Gaza, according to the Health Ministry there. Israel launched its offensive there after Hamas militants killed about 1000 people, mostly civilians, in the October 7 attack on Israel.

With the **US** November 5 election approaching, Mr Biden faces growing political pressure not only on his Middle East policies, but on general law and order.

The president travelled to North Carolina on Thursday to meet the families of officers shot to death in incidents unrelated to protests - just a week after he sat down with relatives of two police killed in **New York**.

"In moments like this, there are always those who rush in to score political points. But this isn't a moment for politics," he said in his speech on Thursday.

"I understand people have strong feelings and deep convictions. In America, we respect the right and protect the right for them to express that."

"Dissent must never lead to disorder or to denying the rights of others, so students can finish the semester and their college education."

Republican Senator and potential vice presidential candidate Marco Rubio earlier on Thursday demanded the president address the nation on the protests that have closed universities and interrupted final examinations.

"Hundreds of thousands of American students are having their safety endangered and their education disrupted by violent antisemitic leftist mobs. Where is our president?" Mr Rubio said.

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