

ANNUAL 2020-2021 REPORT



**STUDENTS
SUPPORTING
ISRAEL**

SSI

Students Supporting Israel
PO BOX 46282
Minneapolis, MN 55446

WWW.SSIMOVEMENT.ORG



2020 - 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

At Students Supporting Israel (SSI), not even a pandemic can stop us.

We are the **only** pro-Israel international campus-registered student group for establishing pro-Israel platform on campuses worldwide.

Though the past year was...different...than others, SSI expanded efforts exponentially in multiple areas of activism and led arguably our **most successful year ever**.

From online Zionist advocacy, to firsthand combatting viral antisemitic efforts, Students Supporting Israel Movement's activity from the 2020-2021 academic year accentuated our mission in providing a clear and confident pro-Israel voice on campuses, and supported students in pro-Israel, grassroots advocacy.

AREAS OF IMPACT:

Unmasking
Antisemites



Education, Knowledge,
Strengthening Zionism
& Jewish Identity



Organizational
Growth



Events, Conferences,
Rallies



Area of Impact:



UNMASKING THE ANTI-SEMITES BEHIND THE ANTI-ISRAEL CAMPAIGNS

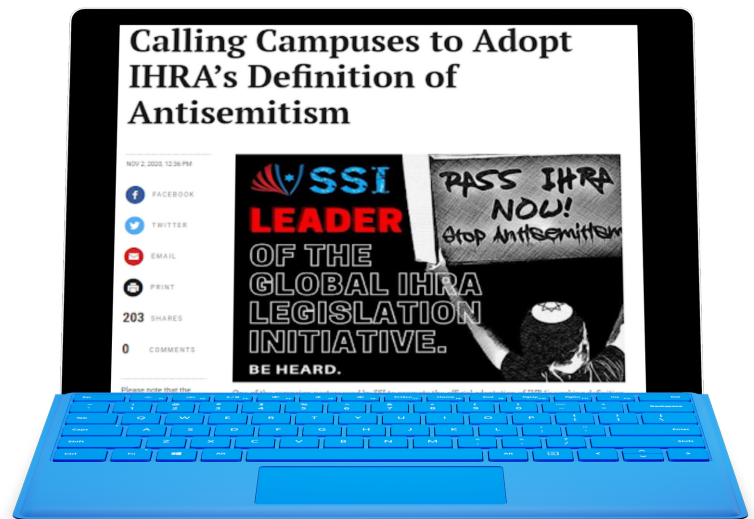
IHRA Working Definition Resolutions Campaign

#DefinelIttoFightIt : In Order to **Fight** Antisemitism, We Need to **Define** It.

Major effort is being put into this project, including but not limited to coaching students on how to advocate for IHRA's importance, custom writing resolutions, reaching out to student senators and potential partner organizations to co-sponsor.

In the 2020/21 academic year, the SSI movement was successful in pushing for the official adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism at the following places:

- Arizona State University
- Buenos Aires University
- Foothill College
- Pace University
- City College, NY
- St. Lawrence University
- University of Manitoba
- University of Georgia
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- Kennesaw State University
- University of Minnesota
- University of Iowa
- California Polytechnic State University



NEWS > BAY AREA

Students at Foothill College pass antisemitism resolution

BY GABRIEL GRESCHLER | OCTOBER 23, 2020



The student government at Foothill College in Los Altos Hills unanimously passed a resolution on Oct. 22 that adopts the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance definition of antisemitism.

"This resolution will help by making it clear what is antisemitic and what is not," SSI president Ilan Sinelnikov said. "There is classic antisemitism, but there is also modern antisemitism, and this resolution leaves no room for debate on what hurts the Jewish people. This resolution was passed to prevent cases in the future and to be proactive."

“

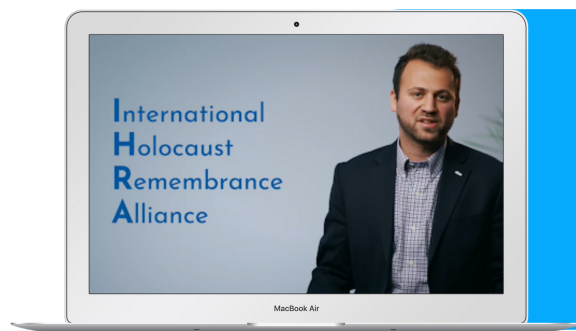
"THIS RESOLUTION WILL HELP BY MAKING IT CLEAR WHAT IS ANTISEMITIC AND WHAT IS NOT," SSI PRESIDENT ILAN SINELNIKOV SAID. "THERE IS CLASSIC ANTISEMITISM, BUT THERE IS ALSO MODERN ANTISEMITISM, AND THIS RESOLUTION LEAVES NO ROOM FOR DEBATE ON WHAT HURTS THE JEWISH PEOPLE. THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED TO PREVENT CASES IN THE FUTURE AND TO BE PROACTIVE."

”

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.SSIMOVEMENT.ORG/IHRA

SSI Video Series

SSI made short, **viral** educational videos, each 3-4 minutes long, about important and relevant topics:



Adopting the IHRA Definition & the Importance in the Pro- Israel World



Anti-Zionism IS Anti-Semitism



Calling for Holocaust Education Requirements to be Adopted Statewide



The Ethics Behind Supporting Israel

Area of Impact:

EDUCATION, KNOWLEDGE, STRENGTHENING ZIONISM & JEWISH IDENTITY



SSI-U Program

A semester-long course that includes 12 sessions, 11 of them are classes led by professors and research fellows from Israel and the USA on various Israel-related topics, and the final class being a final project: short research presentation by the students.

Webinars

More than 40 webinars featuring a combination of student speakers and guest lecturers.

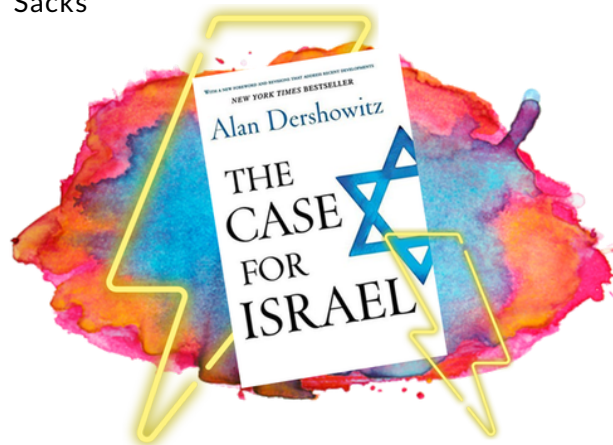
Various topics included:

- How Palestinians Killed the Peace Camp
- Occupied, Liberated, or Disputed?
- Incitement Within the Palestinian Education System
- Aramean Christians and Israel
- Israel and Lebanon: Sworn Animosity or Lost Friendship
- How to Recognize It: 8 Anti-Zionist Principles
- Post Graduate Advocacy
- Student Governments
- Zionist Art
- The Status Quo of the Temple Mount

Book Clubs

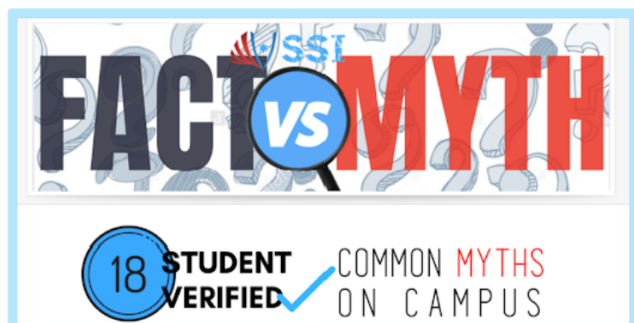
Four book clubs with 4 mandatory discussions about each title. The titles included:

- The Case for Israel by Alan Dershowitz
- The War of Return by Einat Wilf
- The Jews of Silence by Elie Wiesel
- Future Tense: Jews, Judaism, and Israel in the Twenty-first Century by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks



Fact vs. Myths

We asked the students which 18 myths they heard most on campus, and used scholarly sources to debunk these antisemitic accusations with the realities of each situation.



Area of Impact:



ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH

Alumni Network Support

Students Supporting Israel Alumni are the students who created our student-led movement. With over 300 active alumni members, these former students continue to make a difference around the world in the name of SSI through their communities, advising current chapters, actively participating in current SSI campaigns, and more. As we continue to grow the alumni network, SSI will always be home for these iconic student leaders.

New Chapters

Since June 2020, SSI has operated on 10 universities in Argentina, 5 universities in Canada, 1 university in Mexico, 1 university in Norway, a high school in France, and overall over 120 college campuses, universities, and high schools! This past year alone, SSI opened new American chapters on over 10 universities, and 15 internationally.



SSI Annual Awards Night

It was our pleasure to host the 2020 Students Supporting Israel Awards Gala via zoom. The National Student Zoom Reception brought together students from our chapters all around the world.



While the COVID-19 pandemic brought hardship to the world, students across the globe were forced to re-learn their campus climate by transitioning to a non-traditional form of activism online. This reception honored the students who went above and beyond to continue their activism despite the hurdles of the pandemic. .

Area of Impact:

EVENTS, CONFERENCES & RALLIES



#DEFINEittoFIGHTit International Summit

SSI hosted the LARGEST Combined Effort Against Antisemitism of 2021- The DEFINE it to FIGHT it International Summit. The Summit featured over 50 partners, both domestic and abroad, 10 countries, and 4 continents in the global fight against antisemitism.

HUNDREDS of Students and participants alike, heard from a wide-range of speakers, sponsors, partners, and peers, including our keynote speaker - Natan Sharansky, who addressed the global issues of antisemitism, and offered insight on today's greatest educational tool in combating this heinous problem - the IHRA definition of antisemitism.

Because of SSI's proven success in calling for the adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism on college campuses, we created a platform, much like on campus, where partners and organizations working in efforts to define antisemitism on college and institutional levels worldwide can collaborate and find solutions together.

The conference raised awareness of the alarming escalation in global antisemitism in its various forms, while presenting a united front ready to fight against it. SSI educated participants on what the IHRA working definition of antisemitism is and issued a global call to action to adopt the definition.

FOR A FULL LIST OF SPEAKERS, SPONSORS, AND PARTNERS, OR TO WATCH THE ENTIRE SUMMIT, VISIT:

WWW.DEFINEITTOFIGHTIT.COM



Pro-Israel Rallies

Recently, Students Supporting Israel has been watching with heavy hearts our family and friends in Israel facing a brutal attack by Hamas, a recognized terrorist organization. We are standing strong in our support of Israel's right to defend itself and are committed to providing our audience on college campuses and in the community with information about the events so the world is aware of what Israeli citizens are currently enduring. In addition, SSI has been encouraging and hosting Pro-Israel rallies.



STAND UP AGAINST TERROR!

PRO-ISRAEL RALLY

• COAST TO COAST •
MINNEAPOLIS - ST. PAUL DETAILS

BRING AN ISRAELI OR AMERICAN FLAG!

TIME:
THURSDAY
MAY 13, 2021
5:30 PM

LOCATION:
MINNESOTA STATE
CAPITOL LAWN

FOLLOW SSI MOVEMENT ON SOCIAL MEDIA TO KEEP UP-TO-DATE ON ALL THINGS ISRAEL!



@SSI_MOVEMENT



@SSI_MOVEMENT



/SSIONCAMPUS

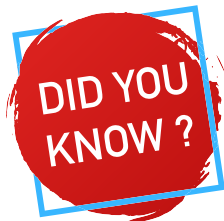
SUPPORT *out* STUDENTS

When students have the tools they need, they can end antisemitism **once and for all.**

Help us support them. Following a year of off-campus activism, the Covid-19 pandemic, and many other challenges this year presented to our local and global communities, we ask you to support SSI's mission and programs for the next and upcoming academic year of 2021/22. With a **500% spike in antisemitism** within the last week, our students **NEED** your help now more than ever.

Thank you for your support this past year. We could not have possibly exceeded our expectations without you!

Help us make 2021-2022 the **BEST YEAR YET!**



You can donate to SSI via Stocks, Bonds, or Other Securities

This is a great way to support Students Supporting Israel and the students we serve! As a nonprofit 501 c(3), your charitable donation is tax-exempt, and benefits the students and their work for Israel advocacy!

visit www.SSI movement.org/DONATE

Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Check box for recurring monthly contribution

Number of months:

Start Date:

Method of Payment

Credit Card:

Card Number:

Exp: CVV:

Cardholder's Name:

Checks: Please make checks payable to

Students Supporting Israel

Please Accept My Donation of:

\$

SSI is a 501(c)(3) non-profit and your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Signature

Date

Make this donation in honor of:

Checks can be made to :
Students Supporting Israel
PO Box 46282
Minneapolis, MN 55446
www.SSI movement.org/Donate