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Success at UC Davis

The Brandeis Brief

June 2013

Last week, the Brandeis Center announced its successful resolution of the anti-Semitism concerns that it had raised with UC Davis administration. This was a troubling case involving a November 2012 incident in which Jewish and Israeli students were harassed during

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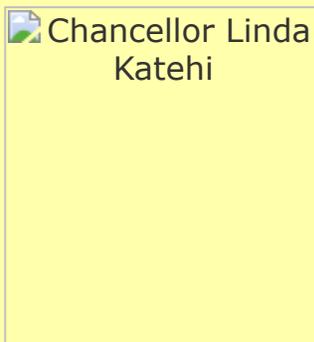


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the occupation of an administrative building by the Occupy movement. The Center has intensively investigated the incident as part of its new [legal advocacy initiative](#) and successfully resolved this matter, to the credit of Davis' administration, shortly before the statutory deadline for filing a Title VI complaint. This issue of the Brandeis Brief will discuss the Davis case, as well as LDB's defense of Tammi Rossman-Benjamin, Greg Lukianoff's guest blog appearance, and the arrival of LDB's first intern class. Thank you for making all of this possible with your [generous contributions](#).

Articles

Addressing Anti-Semitism and Anti-Israelism at UC Davis

 Chancellor Linda Katehi

The Brandeis Center is delighted to report the successful resolution of campus anti-Semitism concerns that it had raised with the [University of California at Davis](#). The November 2012 incident occurred after approximately forty protestors occupied a university administrative building late last year. When three Jewish students entered

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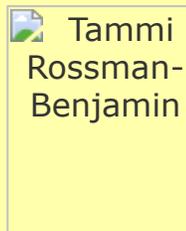
the occupied building, they were met with hostile behavior, including intimidation, bullying, and verbal harassment. The protestors reportedly began pounding their fists, getting into the Jewish students' faces, and making menacing physical gestures, all while shouting expletives at the students. In a press release issued last week, the Center lauded UC Davis Chancellor Linda Katehi for her leadership in responding to the November 2012 incident that the Center had brought to light.

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Defending Tammi Rossman-Benjamin

The Brandeis Center teamed up with [Scholars for Peace in the Middle East](#) (SPME) this month to issue a Joint Statement in defense of University of California at Santa Cruz lecturer [Tammi Rossman-Benjamin](#).

Rossman-Benjamin has recently been the target of a public campaign of character assassination because of her advocacy for the civil rights of Jewish college students. LDB and SPME joined together to defend Rossman-Benjamin against these smears. Rossman-Benjamin is a co-founder of the [AMCHA Initiative](#), an organization that

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 12-11-29 Standing KLM photo

Kenneth Marcus

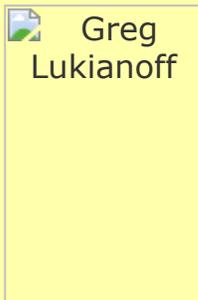
The Louis D. Brandeis Center stands ready if we can help you to combat anti-Semitism in higher education. [Please contact us](#) if you are a student or professor who needs our help. We are also available to provide technical assistance to university administrators who are interested in achieving legal compliance and best practices for eliminating campus anti-Semitism.

combats anti-Semitism on American college and university campuses. She is also a member of the Brandeis Center's [Academic Advisory Board](#). Rossman-Benjamin has famously accused her university, UC Santa Cruz, of harboring a hostile environment for Jewish students. The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights has opened an investigation into Rossman-Benjamin's [complaint](#), which is now pending.

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Free Speech on Campus and the Spirit of Louis D. Brandeis

Greg Lukianoff



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I was pleased earlier this year when Ken Marcus, President of the Brandeis Center, asked me to guest blog for the Brandeis Center regarding my recent book, *Unlearning Liberty: Campus Censorship and the End of American Debate*, and my work as President of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE)....

In my experience, Oliver Wendell Holmes gets a lot of attention, but I believe that Louis Brandeis was the first truly great hero of freedom of speech in Supreme Court history.

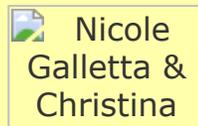
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Center Welcomes New Interns

The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law (LDB) today announced its first intern class as it continues the ongoing expansion of its [campaign against campus anti-Semitism](#). LDB

President Kenneth L. Marcus

welcomed the Brandeis Center's first Civil Rights Law Clerk Nicole Galletta and its first Development Intern, Christina Gathman. A second Development Intern, Andrew Loeb, will join the Center next week. This expansion follows the appointment of Danit Sibovits as LDB's first staff attorney and [Joshua Sol Brewster](#) as LDB's first Senior Civil Rights Legal Fellow. The Brandeis Center's expansion reflects its burgeoning capacity to fight campus anti-Semitism through research, education and legal advocacy.



Nicole Galletta & Christina Gathman

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