

# *Scenes of Protests Spread at Elite Campuses*

The arrests of more than 100 protesters at Columbia last week led to more campus demonstrations, at Yale, M.I.T. and as far away as the University of Michigan.

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## **In Photos and Video**

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Protests and arrests spread across some of America's most influential universities on Monday, as administrators struggled to defuse tensions on campuses over pro-Palestinian demonstrations on Monday.

Nearly 50 people were arrested at Yale University in New Haven, Conn., on Monday morning, following the arrests last week of more than 100 protesters at Columbia University in New York City. The arrests unleashed a wave of activism across other campuses, including M.I.T., the University of Michigan and Stanford University, as protesters sought their universities' divestment from companies with ties to Israel and a cease-fire in Israel's war in Gaza.

The flurry of protests has presented a steep challenge for university leaders, as some Jewish students say they have faced harassment and antisemitic comments. Early Monday morning, Columbia announced a same-day shift to online classes because of the protests. Barnard College, across the street, followed suit hours later.

Here are scenes from the protests.



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People arrested at a pro-Palestinian demonstration at N.Y.U. on Monday were taken away on a New York Police Department bus.  
Police officers taking protesters into custody at N.Y.U.



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Pro-Palestinian demonstrators near the N.Y.U. campus after arrests by the police.



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Pro-Palestinian demonstrators awaiting the arrival of the police on the N.Y.U. campus on Monday.



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## An encampment of demonstrators protesting the war in Gaza on Kresge Lawn at M.I.T. in Cambridge, Mass.



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The M.I.T. protest encampment remained up on Monday night.





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Students inside the Stern School of Business building at New York University watched the demonstrations from above.



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Some pro-Palestinian demonstrators engaged in prayers at N.Y.U. as others looked on.

The tent encampment set up by pro-Palestinian demonstrators on the plaza outside the business school's entrance.



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Protesters marched outside University Center, one of the main buildings at the New School's Greenwich Village campus.



# A group of demonstrators gathered at a pro-Israel rally outside the main gates of Columbia.



C.S. Muncy for The New York Times

# The encampment at Columbia was put back up by protesters after being removed the previous week.



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In a show of support for students who had been arrested and suspended, faculty members at Columbia took part in a walkout on Monday.





# Hundreds of people stood to listen to faculty members speaking as part of the walkout.



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# Student demonstrators gathered at the Diag, a central location on the University of Michigan campus.



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At the University of Michigan, a student protester applied a henna tattoo depicting a pattern that symbolizes Palestine onto the wrist of another demonstrator.



## Demonstrators prayed together at the encampment organized by protesters at M.I.T., in Cambridge, Mass.



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Supporters of Israel at Columbia on Monday morning.  
Pro-Palestinian students at Yale University gathered on  
campus chanting, “Disclose, divest, we will not stop, we will  
not rest.”



Adrian Martinez Chavez for The New York Times

Students on the Yale campus took part in protests, even after arrests had been made earlier on Monday.

## Outside Columbia's gates, New York City police officers detained a pro-Palestinian demonstrator.



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Representative Mike Lawler, a New York Republican, calling for Columbia's president to "resign in disgrace."





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Pro-Palestinian stickers near the entrance of Butler Library.

Protesters gathered around Columbia's College Walk, the main pedestrian thoroughfare on the campus, as a speaker addressed them from the Sundial, a campus landmark.



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A pro-Israel demonstrator outside Columbia University's campus gates.



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Protesters at New York University demanding a permanent cease-fire in Gaza.



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Students erected encampments at several Boston-area universities, including M.I.T., to show solidarity with Palestinians and with protesters at Columbia.



## Students at M.I.T. formed an improvised drum circle during the protests.



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Protesters gathered around Columbia's College Walk as a speaker addressed them from the Sundial. Officers, some with batches of plastic restraints attached to their uniforms, lined up at a news conference held by the New York Police Department outside the Columbia campus on Monday.





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A group of pro-Palestinian students guarding their protest site on Columbia's central campus lawn.

The “Gaza Solidarity Encampment” dominates Columbia’s South Fields, facing Low Library, the space where commencement exercises are scheduled next month.



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Shai Davidai, a Jewish Columbia professor, speaking outside the campus gates on Monday after saying his university identification card had been deactivated. A petition, which has garnered more than 10,000 signatures, has sought his termination, accusing him of harassment of pro-Palestinian students.



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Students at Yale occupied an intersection near Woodbridge Hall.

# Sunday, April 21



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Protesters rallied outside Columbia's gates. Some protesters, unaffiliated with the university, made antisemitic comments toward Jewish students.



Tents that had previously been removed were again set up on the campus lawn by demonstrators.



# Thursday, April 18



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More than 100 Pro-Palestinian activists were arrested last week when Columbia's president said she had taken the "extraordinary step" to call in the police "because these are extraordinary circumstances."



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Cornel West addressed student protesters.



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The student demonstrators were not deterred by rainstorms on Thursday. They remained in tents before the encampment was eventually removed.



The administration called the New York Police Department onto the campus. Over 100 students were arrested on Thursday.

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