

*University of California students  
-- inspired by Gazans' spirit of  
resistance -- continue protest  
despite mass arrests*

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Los Angeles, April 25 (RHC)-- Student protests against Israel's war on Gaza are continuing to spread across U.S. campuses despite an intensifying police crackdown.

In Los Angeles, police in riot gear arrested 93 people after students at the University of Southern California began an occupation of USC's Alumni Park to call for USC to divest from Israel.

One protester organizer said: "Students at other schools have shown incredible, incredible bravery, incredible, incredible strength in continuing their occupations in the face of incredible repression from the universities. And we will do the same, as well. And also, more importantly, the people of Palestine have continued, the people of Gaza have continued to show incredible, incredible determination and strength and resilience in their fight for liberation against the Israeli regime, against the genocide that they are

experiencing. And so we hope to embody the same spirit of resistance.”

The USC protest came a week after the school canceled the commencement speech by valedictorian Asna Tabassum, who had expressed support for Palestinians. USC has since canceled all outside speakers at this year’s ceremonies.

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