

Students Fight Back

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Everywhere, assaults on freedom and free speech are going full blast. Violent True Believers are on the march as others, even if less overtly barbaric, provide cover, an excuse.

For example, the State University of New York at Binghamton has cooperated with left-wing thugs to suppress conservatives.

The mob stole or destroyed posters and the table students were using to promote an appearance by Arthur Laffer, the noted supply-side economist. The same mob also disrupted the lecture itself. A lawsuit brought by the victimized students accuses officials of failing "to take action to defend College

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Republicans' constitutional rights" and supporting the "physically abusive actions of the College Progressives."

Another student under attack is Austin Tong.



Recently, the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) has been going to bat for Tong, a Fordham University student suspended for social media posts.

One is a picture of Tong holding (not pointing) a legally owned rifle, intended to draw attention to the Tiananmen Square massacre. The other shows black police captain David Dorn, who was murdered by looters. Its caption chastises members of the Black Lives Matter movement for apparent indifference to Dorn's fate.

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Tong is unapologetic, and FIRE says that Fordham has "acted more like the Chinese government than an American university, placing severe sanctions on a student solely because of off-campus political speech."

Far from isolated cases, unfortunately.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.