The Third Reich in the Ivory Tower
Complicity and Conflict on American Campuses

This is the first systematic exploration of the nature and extent of sympathy for Nazi Germany at American universities during the 1930s. Universities were highly influential in shaping public opinion, and many of the nation’s most prominent university administrators refused to take a principled stand against the Hitler regime. Universities welcomed Nazi officials to campus and participated enthusiastically in student exchange programs with Nazified universities in Germany. American educators helped Nazi Germany improve its image in the West as it intensified its persecution of the Jews and strengthened its armed forces. The study contrasts the significant American grassroots protest against Nazism that emerged as soon as Hitler assumed power with campus quiescence, and with administrators’ frequently harsh treatment of those students and professors who challenged their determination to maintain friendly relations with Nazi Germany.

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<td>ACUA</td>
<td>American Catholic History Research Center and University Archives</td>
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<td>ADL</td>
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<td>American Student Union</td>
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<td>Bryn Mawr College Archives</td>
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<td>BTCI</td>
<td>Board of Trustees Committee, Investigation of the Charges of Lienhard Bergel</td>
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<td>CURBML</td>
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<td>EC</td>
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Abbreviations

ECADFS Papers  Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars Papers
FBI  Federal Bureau of Investigation
FC  Foreign Counterintelligence
FS  Foreign Study
FSPDS  Records of Foreign Service Posts of the Department of State
FSR  Foreign Study Records
FUA  Fordham University Archives
GLLD  German Language and Literature Department
HAA  Harvard Athletic Association
HLSP  Herbert Lehman Suite and Papers
HUA  Harvard University Archives
ICASR  Intercollegiate Committee to Aid Student Refugees
IPA  Institute of Public Affairs
JBCPP  James B. Conant Presidential Papers
JGMP  James G. McDonald Papers
JHU  Johns Hopkins University
JRAPP  James R. Angell Presidential Papers
JSS  Jewish Students Society
JTA  Jewish Telegraphic Agency
JWV  Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America
LC  Library of Congress
MAD  Manuscripts and Archives Division
MHCA  Mount Holyoke College Archives
MIT  Massachusetts Institute of Technology
MSEL  Milton S. Eisenhower Library
NA  National Archives
NCCJ  National Conference of Christians and Jews
NCWC  National Catholic Welfare Conference
NJCC  New Jersey College for Women
NSANL  Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League to Champion Human Rights
NSL  National Student League
NYPL  New York Public Library
NYU  New York University
OAF  Office Administrative Files
QCA  Queens College Archives
RBML  Rare Book and Manuscript Library
RG  Record Group
Abbreviations

RL Regenstein Library
ROP Records of the Office of the President
RU Rutgers University
RUBTME Rutgers University Board of Trustees, Minutes and Enclosures 1935
SA Sturmabteilung
SC Special Collections
SCA Smith College Archives
SCRC Special Collections Research Center
SCUA Special Collections and University Archives
SL Sterling Library
UC University of Chicago
UCLA University of California at Los Angeles
UDA University of Delaware Archives
UFA Universum-Film Aktiengesellschaft
UN United Nations
UVA University of Virginia
VCA Vassar College Archives
VFW Veterans of Foreign Wars
WYC World Youth Congress
YU Yale University
YWCA Young Women’s Christian Association