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Here's a Rundown of the Latest Campus-Climate Incidents Since Trump's Election

Organizations that track hate crimes have seen a rise in reports since the presidential election. The Southern Poverty Law Center has recorded 200 incidents since then, and even though colleges are perceived as liberal oases, they have not been immune. There have been at least 30 instances of reported hate speech or violence against minorities on campuses or involving college students since last Tuesday, many of which involved references to President-Elect Donald J. Trump.

A Muslim student at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor said she had been forced to remove her headscarf on the campus after a man approached her on Friday and threatened to set her on fire if she didn't. The hate crime came on the heels of a speech on Wednesday by the university's president, Mark S. Schlissel, who comforted students at a postelection vigil by reminding them that the campus had voted overwhelmingly for Hillary Clinton, the *Detroit Free Press* reported.

"Ninety percent of you rejected the kind of hate and the fractiousness and the longing for some sort of idealized version of a nonexistent yesterday," Mr. Schlissel said.

In response, conservative students and alumni have accused Mr. Schlissel of anti-Trump bias in a statement that has received more than 300 signatures. A spokesman for the university told the newspaper that neither Mr. Schlissel's speech nor the vigil was anti-Trump.

A professor at the University of Oklahoma said on Monday she had found racist fliers on the campus — fliers that also appeared on the University of Michigan's campus in September. One of the fliers is titled "Why White Women Shouldn't Date Black Men," and suggests African-American males are more like to have sexually transmitted diseases and to abuse women.

In addition, the *OU Daily*, a student newspaper, posted on Twitter that racist fliers had been inserted into print editions of Monday's paper. In an emailed statement, a spokeswoman for the university said the message of the fliers is "contrary to one of the university core values of acceptance and respect of all people."

Over the weekend, a student at the University of Oklahoma was temporarily suspended for sending racist messages to black freshmen at the University of Pennsylvania, according to *The Washington Post*. The group-message thread included a "daily lynching" calendar event.

At Reed College, in Oregon, two library bathrooms were defaced with racist, homophobic, and anti-Semitic graffiti such as swastikas, *Willamette Week* reported. Swastikas were also found drawn on a classroom white board at American University, in Washington, D.C., alongside the words “Go Trump,” according to the *The Eagle*, a student newspaper.

At Villanova University, in Pennsylvania, administrators encouraged faculty members to talk to their students in class about the spate of postelection violence and hatred, after a black female student was assaulted last week by white men yelling “Trump, Trump, Trump!” *The Philadelphia Inquirer* reported. In an email to the faculty, administrators said remaining silent could be “misinterpreted as indifference or, even worse, tacit agreement with malicious actions.”

On CBS’s *60 Minutes* program on Sunday, Mr. Trump responded to a question on incidents of violence inspired by his election by saying they were “a very small amount,” and advised those committing them to “Stop it. I will say this, and I will say right to the cameras: Stop it.”