



Wyoming

1 school ranked



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The College Free Speech Rankings are based on student surveys, campus policies, and recent speech-related controversies.

AVERAGE RANK

41 ▲

/257

▲ 80 FROM 2024

AVERAGE GRADE

D

▲ INCREASED

SPEECH CONTROVERSIES

0

— 0 FROM 2025

Overview

One Wyoming school is ranked in the 2026 College Free Speech Rankings. The University of Wyoming ranks 41 overall and earns a D speech-climate grade.

The University of Wyoming performs well on “Political Tolerance,” “Disruptive Conduct,” and “Administrative Support,” suggesting students are open to hearing from controversial speakers, less likely to support shutting them down, and confident the administration would defend speech during controversy. It holds a “yellow light” rating in FIRE’s Spotlight database, meaning its written policies threaten student expression. UW has adopted both the pro-free speech Chicago Statement and a statement on institutional neutrality.

Clarifying written policies and aligning them with strong survey performance and formal commitments would help further strengthen UW’s speech climate.

If you have questions, reach out to fire@thefire.org or visit us at <https://rankings.thefire.org/>.

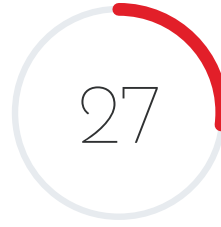
HIGHLIGHTS



53% of students say they have self-censored on campus at least once or twice a month.



62% of students say shouting down a speaker to prevent them from speaking on campus is acceptable, at least in rare cases.



27% of students say using violence to stop someone from speaking on campus is acceptable, at least in rare cases.

1.22 : 1

Across Wyoming, there are roughly 1.22 conservative students for every one liberal student.

SCORE DEEP DIVE

COMFORT EXPRESSING IDEAS

D

▲ INCREASED

DISRUPTIVE CONDUCT

B-

▼ DECREASED

OPENNESS

D-

— NO CHANGE

SELF-CENSORSHIP

D-

— NO CHANGE

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

D-

▼ DECREASED

POLITICAL TOLERANCE

F

▼ DECREASED

SCHOLARS UNDER FIRE

0

STUDENTS UNDER FIRE

0

DEPLATFORMINGS

0

HONOR ROLL STATEMENTS

0

ATTEMPTED DISRUPTIONS

0

NEW IN 2025

0