



## MIT's Standing Together Against Hate (STAH) Programs

### Notable Absence of Recent STAH Activities

Despite extensive searching, **no specific STAH-branded programs, training sessions, announcements, or interventions could be found for the period from summer 2024 through December 2025.** The initiative appears to have concluded its active phase following the spring 2024 speaker series.

#### Evidence of Discontinuation:

The First Circuit Court opinion from October 2025 discussing MIT's antisemitism lawsuit references STAH in past tense: "The university launched the 'Standing Together Against Hate' initiative to combat antisemitism and Islamophobia and hosted related events". This language suggests the initiative was a time-limited response rather than an ongoing program.<sup>[2][3]</sup>

Furthermore, critics and community members have noted the absence of continued STAH activities. A November 2024 satirical piece titled "Stand Together Against Hate (STAH) drowns in toxic bile" suggests community perception that the initiative had become ineffective or defunct.<sup>[4]</sup>

### Decentralization of Diversity and Inclusion Work

Following the ICEO closure in May 2025, MIT shifted from centralized coordination to "community building at the local level". The model of top-down Institute-wide initiatives like STAH was replaced with decentralized approaches, with individual academic and administrative units encouraged to develop their own local plans.<sup>[1]</sup>

A new Standing Institute Committee (staff-led but including faculty and students) replaced the Council on Belonging, Achievement, and Composition to promote connectivity and collaborative problem-solving, but this appears focused on broader institutional issues rather than the specific antisemitism/Islamophobia focus of STAH.<sup>[1]</sup>

### Conclusion

Standing Together Against Hate appears to have been a **time-limited initiative spanning from November 2023 through spring 2024**, with its most active phase during IAP and spring semester 2024.

The program consisted primarily of speaker series, training sessions, seed funding for community-building projects, and dialogue initiatives. Following the organizational restructuring that eliminated the ICEO in May 2025, no evidence exists of continued STAH-specific programming, suggesting the initiative concluded as MIT transitioned to a decentralized model for addressing campus climate issues.

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1. <https://orgchart.mit.edu/letters/how-we-support-our-community>
2. <https://natlawreview.com/article/first-circuit-affirms-dismissal-antisemitism-harassment-claims-against-mit>
3. <https://www.hunton.com/insights/legal/first-circuit-affirms-dismissal-of-antisemitism-harassment-claims-against-mit>
4. <https://babblingbeaver.com/2024/11/14/stand-together-against-hate-stah-drowns-in-toxic-bile/>