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# Profs: Freedom of Speech Is Anything but UnAmerican ✓

• I took great offense at The Post's publication of the article by Daniel Pipes ("Professors who hate America," Opinion, Nov. 12).

Professor Noam Chomsky and I and thousands of other professors across the United States do not hate America.

Civic and political involvement and the entailing right to petition and disagree with governments are what make countries great. The ultimate love of a country and patriotism is ensuring one's country remains true to ideals of justice and freedom, not oppression and violence.

**Mazin Qumsiyeh**  
Orange, Conn.

• My response to these professors: Pack your bags, get the hell out and don't bother coming back until you realize that this is the best country in the world.

**Shelly Blumenthal**  
Los Angeles, Calif.

• Why didn't Tom Nagy apply for a professorship when he was illegally in Iraq?

**THE ISSUE:** How university professors are handling a possible war with Iraq.



**Noam Chomsky**

I'm sure Saddam Hussein would attend every session of America Bashing 101 and could give Nagy a few pointers.

**Paulette Carini**  
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• Pipes asks, "Why do professors of linguistics, chemistry, American history, genetics and business present themselves in public as authorities on the Middle East?"

Perhaps a better question — framed

with Pipes' logic in mind — is why does Pipes consider himself qualified to comment on current events in the Middle East since he earned his Ph.D. in medieval history?

**Hank Chinanski**  
Manhattan

• Pipes' column should have been titled, "Pipes, who hates free speech."

Why does it seem like Pipes would be more than happy to never question his government and smear anyone who disagrees with his opinions?

Better watch out, Daniel. Some night, the knock on the door may be for you.

**Mike Phillips**  
Brooklyn

• With people such as these professors teaching our young people, I think we can expect a future generation of Johnny "Taliban" Walkers.

**Maureren Zukoski**  
Port Jefferson