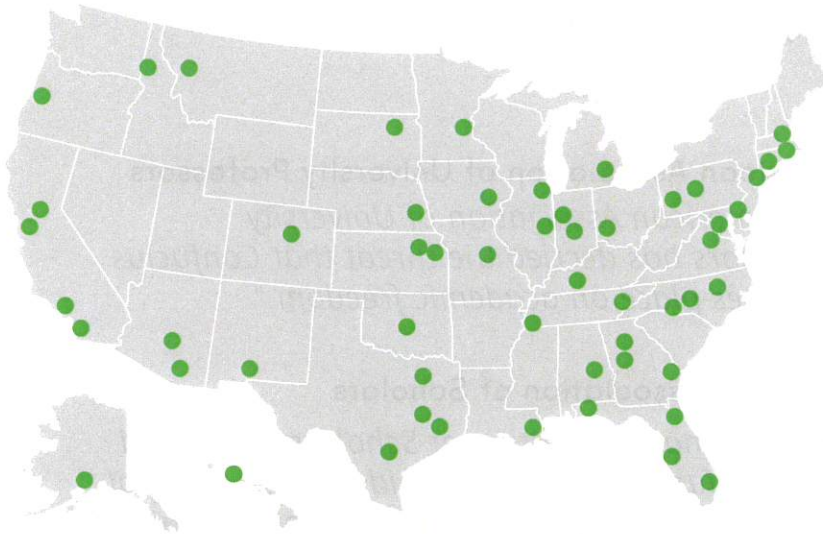


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*Joint Resolution to
Protect Utah's Institutions
of Higher Education From
Chinese Communist Party
Influence*



Closed Confucius Institutes in the US



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Although the first Confucius institute in the US was established less than 20 years ago, **55 Confucius institutes have closed within the last 7 years.** Almost half of those closed within the last 2 years. Many state governments have recently encouraged their universities to refuse partnership with any new Confucius Institutes.



United States Department of State
 "The United States Department of State designated the Confucius Institute United States Center, which is the de facto headquarters of the Confucius Institute network, as a foreign mission of the People's Republic of China and has stated that Confucius Institutes 'push out skewed Chinese language and cultural training for United States students as part of Beijing's multifaceted propaganda efforts.'"



Federal Bureau of Investigation
 "The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Counterintelligence Divisions has warned of China's efforts to conduct espionage through Confucius Institutes."



American Association of University Professors
 "The American Association of University Professors has decried the threat that Confucius Institutes place on academic freedom."



National Association of Scholars
 The National Association of Scholars has stated that Confucius Institutes "avoid Chinese political history and human rights abuses, portray Taiwan and Tibet as undisputed territories of China, and educate a generation of American students with a selective knowledge of a major country."



"In 2010, China's then Minister of Propaganda reportedly described the country's foreign activity goal in the People's Daily, the largest newspaper group in China, as: 'Coordinate the efforts of overseas and domestic propaganda, further create a favorable international environment for us...With regard to key issues that influence our sovereignty and safety, we should actively carry out international propaganda battles against issues such as Tibet, Xinjiang, Taiwan, Human Rights, and Falun Gong. Our strategy is to pro-actively take our culture abroad...[w]e should do well in establishing and operating overseas cultural center and Confucius Institutes.'"