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A line of police officers wearing body armor, helmets and face shields clash with pro-Palestinian protesters at UCLA before dawn on Thursday. Over 200 people — including students and faculty members — were arrested as police moved into the pro-Palestinian encampment at UCLA a day after violence erupted between protest groups.

Over 200 arrested as UCLA protest encampment dismantled

Los Angeles Times

More than 200 people were arrested Thursday morning as police moved into the pro-Palestinian encampment at UCLA, dismantling tents and pushing out protesters in a clash that lasted hours.

The operation caps two days of upheaval that began when UCLA declared the encampment "unlawful" and continued when a group of pro-Israeli counterprotesters attacked the camp Tuesday night, with police taking hours to stop the violence.

Early Thursday morning, officers wearing body armor, helmets and face shields methodically pulled apart the barricade as protesters tried to hold together the assemblage of plywood and metal fencing. Police launched flares that arced over the encampment, igniting with piercing blasts, and smoke filled the air from fire extinguishers that demon-



JASON ARMOND Los Angeles Times/TNS

Police stand outside Royce Hall, one of the landmark buildings at UCLA, on Thursday after authorities swept in to dismantle pro-Palestinian encampments on the Westwood campus.

strators sprayed at police. At least one officer is seen on video shooting rubber bullets into the crowd.

Hours later, as police continued to move people out of the area, trash was seen strewn across the lawn. Tents were

upended, and nearby buildings had been spray-painted with words in support of Gaza. Bulldozers rolled onto the campus to clean up the debris. Crews placed tents, chairs, food and other supplies into large trash bins.

There were several fronts to law enforcement's pre-dawn operation, with police using flash-bang devices that echoed across campus and disoriented the crowd.

Other officers watched from the high windows of Royce Hall, infuriating protesters who shone lights in their eyes and challenged them to come down.

A man was struck in the chest with a rubber bullet after California Highway Patrol officers told protesters to stop throwing boards and other objects at them. It is not clear whether the man was throwing anything or how many others were injured.

Police moved protesters out of Royce Hall after a series of tense scuffles. Some appeared to leave the scene on their own, but many were arrested. Los Angeles Police Department officials said 209 people were taken into custody. Many were booked on suspicion of failing to disperse, a misdemeanor, a

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Lawmakers call to strip financial aid from violent protesters

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California Republican legislative leaders on Thursday called for students who commit violent acts during campus protests to have their state financial aid revoked, and for university administrations that allow it to happen to be financially penalized.

Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas, D-Hollister, and Senate

President Pro Tem Mike McGuire, D-Healdsburg, did not provide a response to the Republican proposal. The proposal faces long odds in a Legislature controlled by a Democratic super-majority.

The Republicans' remarks came as students across California, and across the country, have protested Israel's war with Hamas in Gaza that has killed tens of thousands of civilians. According to the Associated Press, at least 2,000 people have been arrested at pro-Pal-

estinian protests. That includes dozens of students arrested at Cal Poly Humboldt and more than 200 arrested at UCLA, according to the Los Angeles Times.

"We should not be giving Cal Grant money, state money, to students who are trampling on other people's rights. And these campus administrators, like at (Cal Poly Humboldt) where classes were closed down, where all students' rights were violated by this, they should lose funding," said Assembly

Republican Leader James Gallagher, R-Yuba City, in a Thursday morning press conference at the Capitol

Cal Grant is the name of the state student financial aid program, overseen by the California Student Aid Commission.

Senate Minority Leader Brian Jones, R-Santee, said that the First Amendment guarantees the right to protest the government, but it "does not guarantee you the right to impede other citizens' First Amendment rights."

"It does not give you the right to stop students from going to class. It doesn't give you the right to put up barricades and

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Judge tentatively rejects part of DA's suit against city

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A judge has tentatively rejected a major piece of the district attorney's lawsuit against the city of Sacramento regarding homeless camps, but the case can still move forward.

The lawsuit, filed in September in Sacramento Superior Court by District Attorney Thien Ho, had alleged the city was creating a public nuisance by allowing homeless camps to exist on public property. The city argued that due to separation of powers between the government and the DA, that piece should be removed. Sacramento Superior Court Judge Jill Talley tentatively sided with the city on that.

"A governmental entity's decision to enforce laws that are within its authority is a matter of prosecutorial discretion," Talley wrote in a tentative ruling released Thursday afternoon. "The principle of prosecutorial discretion is 'rooted in the separation of powers and due process clauses of our Constitution.'"

Talley tentatively ruled that the piece that claims the city is violating the state Fish and Game Code by allowing the homeless to pollute creeks can

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Camp Resolution closure delayed after pleas at council

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The city of Sacramento has backed off on a plan to close a tight-knit city-sanctioned homeless camp on May 16.

The decision, which the city detailed in a letter received Thursday morning by the camp's lawyer Mark Merin, comes after homeless people came to City Council Tuesday in tears begging officials to not close the camp until they all get permanent housing. Several even said they were prepared to be arrested.

"Today, the City of Sacramento notified Safe Ground Sacramento that it would hold off on the termination if various conditions were met," states a post to the city's public relations blog titled Sacramento City Express. The conditions were not outlined in the post.

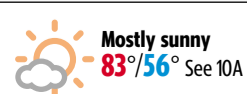
Since 2022 the city has allowed roughly 50 residents of Camp Resolution in North Sacramento to live on a city lot, and gave them trailers to live in. But when some people were camping in tents on the dirt, which is against the lease for environ-

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