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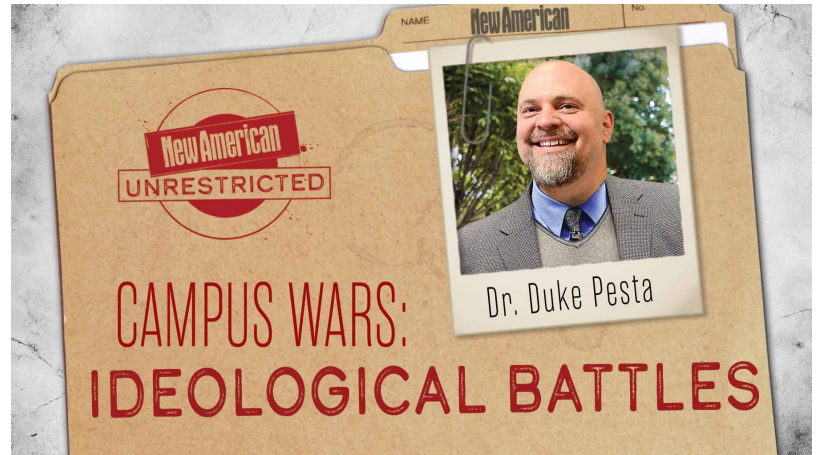
Campus Wars: Inside the Ideological Battle Shaping America's Universities

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Colleges and universities have been the mothership of radical leftism for more than a century. Dr. Duke Pesta has three decades of personal experience with this philosophical warfare that takes place on campuses nationwide. He is a tenured professor of English and serves as executive director of [Freedom Project Academy](#). He joins Bill Jasper, senior editor of [The New American](#) magazine and president of [The John Birch Society](#), to discuss the progressivism that is infecting our youth through politicization in the classroom, the erosion of free speech, shifting definitions of terms like “racism,” and the rise of grievance-based academic programs. He also recounts his own legal battles under Title IX procedures and explains how institutional incentives, faculty hiring practices, and teacher unions reinforce the status quo. Pesta and Jasper explore why “reform” efforts do not succeed and how parents, students and lawmakers can realistically protect themselves from this institutionalized indoctrination.





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