

Mission

“Who we are and what we do”

Students for Justice in Palestine - Iowa City is a collective of students, university faculty and staff, and Iowa City community members fighting for the liberation of the Palestinian people. Through collective and direct actions, we use our experiences within the academic institution to support the Palestinian plight. From sit-ins to educational sessions, we strive to create a well-connected, disciplined community that has the tools to support the liberation of Palestinians and all oppressed people across the world.

We work towards a community of students, and all people in space with us, that use the university and other academic institutions to build the theories, praxis, and tools that will bring us closer to liberation.

Through decentralized practices built from anarchist ideologies of power and community, we uplift all our member's voices. We strive to make this organization's structures in alignment with decolonial practices that empower our members to fight for liberation. We are transparent in our actions and practices, and form spaces in which we hold ourselves accountable.

Vision

“What we aspire to become”

We, Students for Justice in Palestine - Iowa City, envision a world in which academic institutions and the communities they serve stand in solidarity with the people of Palestine and all oppressed peoples across the globe. A world in which people, and the academic institutions they are a part of, create the tools of liberation for all peoples, while actively dismantling structures within the academic space and other institutions that are ontologically opposed to our mission for the liberation of the Palestinian people and all oppressed peoples.

At the core of this vision is to see a liberated Palestine, free of occupation and violence enacted by colonial nation-states that have used academic institutions to create the tools of oppression. A world where universities and other academic institutions no longer exist to exploit students to create the weapons and ideologies that make the massacre of Palestinians, and other oppressed peoples, possible.

By educating and empowering the masses, liberation is obtainable.