

Need another word that means the same as “animus”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “animus” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Animus” are: animosity, bad blood, hostility, antagonism, friction, antipathy, opposition, dissension, rivalry, feud, conflict, discord, contention

Animus as a Noun

Definitions of "Animus" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “animus” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *Motivation to do something.*
- *Hostility or ill feeling.*
- *A feeling of ill will arousing active hostility.*
- *The rational mind.*
- *(in Jungian psychology) the masculine part of a woman's personality.*

Synonyms of "Animus" as a noun (13 Words)

animosity	Strong hostility. <i>He no longer felt any animosity towards her.</i>
antagonism	(biochemistry) interference in or inhibition of the physiological action of a chemical substance by another having a similar structure. <i>The inherent antagonism of capitalism and socialism.</i>
antipathy	A feeling of intense dislike. <i>His fundamental antipathy to capitalism.</i>

bad blood	That which is below standard or expectations as of ethics or decency.
conflict	An open clash between two opposing groups (or individuals). <i>The eternal conflict between the sexes.</i>
contention	A point asserted as part of an argument. <i>The captured territory was the main area of contention between the two countries.</i>
discord	Disagreement between people. <i>A prosperous family who showed no signs of discord.</i>
dissension	Disagreement among those expected to cooperate. <i>These issues caused bitter dissension in the party.</i>
feud	A bitter quarrel between two parties. <i>A savage feud over drugs money.</i>
friction	Conflict or animosity caused by a clash of wills, temperaments, or opinions. <i>The friction of braking.</i>
hostility	A state of deep-seated ill-will. <i>He could not conceal his hostility.</i>
opposition	An armed adversary (especially a member of an opposing military force). <i>The home team made short work of the opposition.</i>
rivalry	Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field. <i>There always has been intense rivalry between the clubs.</i>

Usage Examples of "Animus" as a noun

- *The reformist animus came from within the Party.*
- *The author's animus towards her.*

Associations of "Animus" (30 Words)

abhor	Find repugnant. <i>She abhors cats.</i>
abhorrence	Hate coupled with disgust. <i>The thought of marrying him filled her with abhorrence.</i>
abhorrent	Inspiring disgust and loathing; repugnant. <i>Racism was abhorrent to us all.</i>
abominate	Find repugnant. <i>They abominated the very idea of monarchy.</i>

abomination	A thing that causes disgust or loathing. <i>Concrete abominations masquerading as hotels.</i>
acrimony	Bitterness or ill feeling. <i>The AGM dissolved into acrimony.</i>
animosity	A feeling of ill will arousing active hostility. <i>He no longer felt any animosity towards her.</i>
antipathy	A feeling of intense dislike. <i>Cats were his greatest antipathy.</i>
aversion	A feeling of intense dislike. <i>My dog s pet aversion is visitors particularly males.</i>
detest	Dislike intensely. <i>She really did detest his mockery.</i>
detestation	Hate coupled with disgust. <i>Wordsworth s detestation of aristocracy.</i>
detested	Treated with contempt.
disgust	Strong feelings of dislike. <i>They were disgusted by the violence.</i>
dislike	Have or feel a dislike or distaste for. <i>He made no secret of his dislike of the police.</i>
enmity	A state or feeling of active opposition or hostility. <i>Decades of enmity between the two countries.</i>
execrate	Curse; swear. <i>They were execrated as dangerous and corrupt.</i>
execration	Hate coupled with disgust.
hate	The emotion of intense dislike; a feeling of dislike so strong that it demands action. <i>The boys hate each other.</i>
hatred	Intense dislike; hate. <i>Racial hatred.</i>
intention	Conceptions formed by directing the mind towards an object. <i>His intentions are entirely honorable.</i>
loathe	Feel intense dislike or disgust for. <i>She loathed him on sight.</i>
loathing	Hate coupled with disgust. <i>The thought filled him with loathing.</i>

- misanthrope** A person who dislikes humankind and avoids human society.
*Scrooge wasn't the mean spirited **misanthrope** most of us believe him to be.*
- misanthropic** Hating mankind in general.
*With his **misanthropic** outlook he was an ugly character.*
- odium** General or widespread hatred or disgust incurred by someone as a result of their actions.
*He incurred widespread **odium** for military failures and government corruption.*
- repellent** Incapable of absorbing or mixing with.
*Water **repellent** nylon.*
- repelling** Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust.
- umbrage** Shade or shadow, especially as cast by trees.
*She took **umbrage** at his remarks.*
- vitriol** In names of metallic sulphates e.g blue vitriol copper sulphate and green vitriol ferrous sulphate.
*It was as if his words were spraying **vitriol** on her face.*
- vituperation** Bitter and abusive language.
*No one else attracted such **vituperation** from him.*