

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)

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

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

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

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

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