

Suggested Topics and Controversies

This is not an exhaustive list of topics, but should act as a platform for brainstorming ideas for your topic or controversy. Choose a topic and consider a refined topic for your proposal.

The ECONOMY

Student Aid/Student Debt
Minimum Wage
Consumer Debt
Exporting Jobs/Offshoring
Homelessness
Ending Poverty
Equal Pay for Equal Work
Speculators & Gas Prices
Hydraulic Fracturing (Fracking)
Textbook prices
Social Programs

EMPLOYMENT

Minimum Wage
Affirmative Action
Diversity in the Workplace
Labor Unions' Future
Nursing Shortage
Teaching Shortage
Welfare Reform
Work Dress Codes
Workaholics

TECHNOLOGY

Net Neutrality
Electronic Medical Records
Cyber Socializing
Cyber Bullying
Video Games
Alternative Fuels
Biotechnology
Identity Theft
NSA Monitoring
Genetically Modified Foods
Digital Divide
Cyber/Computer Warfare

FAMILY and RELATIONSHIPS

Social Networking
Consumer Safety
Transgender Issues
Teen Sex
Child Welfare Reform
Adoption
Gay Marriage
Paid Maternity/Paternity Leave

RIGHTS

Property Rights
Free-Press Disputes
Freedom of Speech
Affirmative Action
Animal Rights
Native Americans
Racial Profiling
Cell Phones and Driving
2nd Amendment Rights

RELIGION

Religion and Taxes
Cults
Evolution vs. Creationism
Intelligent Design
Prayer and Healing
New Religious Movements
Religion in Schools
Sexual Abuse and the Clergy
Scientology
Muslim Debate

EDUCATION

Drugs/Drinking on Campus
No Child Left Behind
Standardized Testing
Gender and Learning
Bilingual Education
Religion in Schools
Affirmative Action
Charter Schools
Sex Education
Bullying
Athletes and Steroids

ETHICS

Hunting Controversies
Assisted Suicide
Cloning Debate
Drug Company Ethics
Stem Cell Research
Whistleblowing
Ethics of War
Teen Sex
Right to Die

VIOLENCE and CRIME

DNA and Crime
Domestic Violence
Date Rape
Hate crimes
Hating America
High-Tech Crime
Sex, Violence and the Media
Child Abuse
Honor Killings
Campus Security/Violence
Police Brutality

POLITICS / LAW

US Policy in Iran
National ID Cards
Electoral College
Iraq War
Media Blackouts
Legalized Prostitution
Disaster Preparedness
Government Secrecy
Censorship
Illegal Immigration
Treatment of Detainees
Terrorism (Bioterrorism, etc.)
Terrorist Watch Lists
Homeland Security

Additional Topics

Television Censorship
Celebrity Culture
Future of Feminism
Media Bias
Pornography
Gambling
Future of Warfare

HEALTH

PTSD and Iraq Veterans
Students and Stress
HPV Vaccine/Legislation
Cosmetic Surgery/Body Image
Universal Healthcare
Eating Disorders
Male Contraception
Food Crisis/Shortage
Depression
Childhood Obesity
Youth suicide
Autism
Food Safety
Alternative Medicine

SCIENCE

Disappearing Species
Future of Recycling
Factory Farms
Ecotourism
Bio-fuels Boom
Climate Change
Energy Efficiency
Air Pollution
Genetically Modified Foods
Water Shortages
Saving the Oceans
GMO Debate