## **R1: US Politics and Policy**

- I.1. Why did Nikki Haley's campaign fail to connect with voters?
- 1.2. What do changes at the RNC mean for the future of the Republican Party?
- 1.3. How can the parties re-connect with alienated younger voters?
- 1.4. How will Robert Kennedy Jrs.' candidacy affect the presidential election?
- 1.5. Did the Supreme Court decide the Colorado 14th Amendment case rightly?
- I.6. What does Mitch McConnell's retirement portend for Senate politics?
- 1.7. Is there a politically viable solution to the immigration crisis?
- 1.8. What affect will questions about Fani Willis have on Trump's legal problems in Georgia?
- I.9. Should Congress pass President Biden's proposed budget?

## **R2: Economics (Round 1 Mini-Stuy)**

- II.1 Is Bitcoin's recovery real or temporary?
- II.2 Should Congress implement stricter regulations on online gambling?
- II.3 Should we adopt Bernie Sanders' 32-hour work week?
- II.4 Should states end their "tipped minimum wage" differential?
- II.5 What is fueling persistent inflation in the US economy?
- II.6 Is the bullish stock market really a bubble?
- II.7 Are labor unions on the verge of a new era of influence and power?
- II.8 How should the federal government address the housing inflation crisis?
- II.9 In the face of dire predictions, why has US economic growth been so strong in 2024?

## R3: Education, Health, Social Issues (Round 2 Mini-Stuy)

- F.1 Should K-12 schools make vaccines optional?
- F.2 How should colleges use standardized test scores in their admissions processes?
- F.3 Should Congress ban TikTok?
- F.4 Should schools ban cellphones?
- F.5 Has legalizing recreational marijuana been a mistake?
- F.6 Should college athletes be treated as employees?
- F.7 Will President Biden prevail in his efforts to reduce drug costs for seniors?
- F.8 How can we address the fentanyl crisis effectively?
- F.9 What role, if any, can K-12 schools play in addressing the mental health crisis?

## Finals/Semis: Foreign Affairs

- III.1 What should be included in an Israeli plan for Gaza's future?
- III.2 How serious are Russia's hints and threats about nuclear war?
- III.3 How can Ukraine win its war with Russia?
- III.4 How should the US respond to the chaos in Haiti?
- III.5 Who gets the most out of Sweden's membership in NATO: Sweden or the alliance?
- III.6 Is the Ukraine war likely to embolden mainland China to move against Taiwan?
- III.7 Will Sri Lanka's post-civil war reconciliation process be successful?
- III.8 Was Panama correct to ban Ricardo Martinelli from its presidential election?
- III.9 Was Senator Schumer right to intervene in Israeli politics?
- III.10 Is the German government responding to the rise of the far right in Germany correctly?