



# 2022 SENIOR THESIS DEFENSE

April 19 – May 4 | CCS Theater



*“The heart of the wise makes his speech judicious and adds persuasiveness to his lips.”  
– Proverbs 16:23*

## WEEK 1

### TUESDAY, APRIL 19: QUESTIONS ON THEOLOGY

- 8:00 | IAN FOX.....How should we read Genesis 1-9?  
8:40 | ANDREW COOK .....Is beauty valid evidence for the existence of God?  
9:35 | LOGAN DUKES .....Do people with schizophrenia go to heaven?  
10:15 | ABBY ELLIOTT ..... How can we effectively apply hermeneutics?  
11:00 | ALAINA SMITH.....Are seeker-friendly megachurches effective at Christian discipleship?  
11:40 | ERIN DICKERSON .....Is the knowledge of beauty innate?

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20: QUESTIONS ON THEOLOGY

- 8:00 | ANDERSON DAVIS .....How should Christians exercise dominion over wild animals?  
8:40 | KARIS PELIKAN.....Is the veneration of the Saints biblically sound?  
9:35 | WYATT RUDD.....How should Christians view the dominion mandate and apply it  
to environmental challenges today?  
10:15 | ARIANNA MASSIE .....Should Christians keep the Sabbath?  
11:00 | JOSHUA KEIM ..... Should icons and religious imagery be used in worship?  
11:40 | SARAH CALLERY ....How should Cherokee Christians maintain their Christian identity  
while also preserving their ethnic heritage?

### THURSDAY, APRIL 21: QUESTIONS ON EDUCATION & THE ARTS

- 8:00 | LYNN KONG..... What is the meaning of shame?
- 8:40 | SEAN MACKAY ..... Do the metaphysics of architecture shape the human condition?
- 9:35 | REID HOLLOWAY..... Should CCS have a mandatory government class?
- 10:15 | MICHAEL HAMAN..... What value can Christians gather from fiction with dark themes and elements?
- 11:00 | BROOKS KENT.....How has the Marvel Cinematic Universe permanently affected the cinema industry?
- 11:40 | CAROLINE KOLUCH..... Should we increase fine arts funding in schools?

### FRIDAY, APRIL 22: QUESTIONS ON SCIENCE & THEOLOGY

- 8:00 | KYLE BARNARD ..... Are humans slowly destroying the earth?
- 8:40 | NATASHA ELDER..... Should people receive the Covid vaccine?
- 9:35 | WILLIAM UPCHURCH ..... Is Allah or Yahweh the true God?
- 10:15 | GRIFFIN VAN VOOREN ..... Should patients turn to homeopathy first?

## **WEEK 2**

### MONDAY, APRIL 25: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS & ATHLETICS

- 8:00 | CHIDE OGAN..... Should the U.S. continue construction on the Mexican border wall?
- 8:40 | WILL HOWELL..... Does travel baseball cause injuries in high school and college baseball players?
- 9:35 | GIOVANNA ATTI..... Have participation trophies done more harm than good?
- 10:15 | LUCAS CULLEN..... Should college athletes get paid?
- 11:00 | EVAN RHEW..... Is Major League Baseball's cheating policy good enough?
- 11:40 | IAN LIECHTY..... Should transgender women be allowed to compete in women's sports?

## TUESDAY, APRIL 26: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS & SOCIETY

- 8:00 | CHRISTIAN QUAYE..... What psychological effects do excessive and unsupervised exposure to entertainment and social media have on youth?
- 8:40 | SETH CULLEN..... Should the U.S. ban guns?
- 9:35 | ETHAN NGUYEN..... How can we address the problem of mass incarceration?
- 10:15 | LUKE HARVEY.....Is systemic racism against African Americans prevalent in the U.S.?
- 11:00 | CHRISTIAN ROMERO..... Should the U.S. prioritize public health funding?
- 11:40 | CHLOE SMITH..... Is euthanasia ethical?

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS & SOCIETY

- 8:00 | FAITH RICCOBENE..... Why has the U.S. become increasingly polarized and how should Christians respond?
- 8:40 | COLIN MASSEY..... Can remotely piloted aircraft kill with honor?
- 9:35 | KYLIE SEARS.....Has the progression of Western thought eliminated the expression of emotion in men?
- 10:15 | TIM NASH.....What is the most moral economic system?
- 11:00 | ANNA YOUNG.....Should terminally ill patients have the right to die?
- 11:40 | MEGAN HAGAN..... Has China gained too much control over the U.S.?

## THURSDAY, APRIL 28: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS & SOCIETY

- 8:00 | SYAN HOCHSTEIN..... How can the American healthcare system better care for chronically ill children?
- 8:40 | KELLEN KIMINDA.....How has systemic racism affected African Americans?
- 9:35 | JOSHUA GOOCH..... Should America be the world's policeman?
- 10:15 | MICHAEL RICCOBENE..... Should people invest in cryptocurrency?
- 11:00 | STEFANO RICCOBENE.....Is the reselling business model ethical?
- 11:40 | ASHTYN KELLY.....Are all types of adoption ethical?

## WEEK 3

### MONDAY, MAY 2: QUESTIONS ON PSYCHOLOGY & SOCIETY

- 8:00 | EVA VESTAL ..... Why do sexual assaults remain underreported?  
8:40 | NOAH LAMBERT ..... What are the ethics of using mind-altering medications?  
9:35 | LINDSAY CORNELIUS..... Does authoritative parenting improve the mental health of children and teenagers?  
10:15 | ANN CAMERON REILLY ..... Has mental illness become more prevalent or better understood?  
11:00 | MARSHALL MOODY..... Can money buy happiness?  
11:40 | VICTORIA HUSS ..... What are the advantages of tiny houses?

### TUESDAY, MAY 3: QUESTIONS ON PSYCHOLOGY & SCIENCE

- 8:00 | MATTHEW DOOLEY..... Is a meal the best way to facilitate discussions?  
8:40 | HENSLEY MILLER..... Does birth order affect human development?  
9:35 | WESLEY YU ..... How will A.I., automation, and digital networking affect society?  
10:15 | MADELYN CRIST ..... Have our efforts to mitigate man's impact on the environment been effective?  
11:00 | MILLER DAVENPORT ..... Does epigenetics warrant further study?  
11:40 | JESSICA NAGEL ..... Are natural remedies better than prescription medication?

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 4: QUESTIONS ON SCIENCE

- 8:00 | SARAH SOMER ..... How can we better regulate fishing?  
8:40 | EMBER MILLER..... How does noise pollution affect living things?