



2023 SENIOR THESIS DEFENSE

April 13 – 27 | CCS Theater



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

WEEK 1

THURSDAY, APRIL 13: QUESTIONS ON PSYCHOLOGY & ETHICS

- 8:00 | CHLOE CHANTo what extent should we tolerate morally controversial ethnic traditions?
- 8:40 | DANIEL JOO How does the proliferation of choice and information shape human culture and relationships?
- 9:35 | CHARLOTTE MOORE.....Do modern marketing models cross ethical boundaries with the use of consumer data?
- 10:15 | GRACE CRAWFORD..... Does modern society subconsciously encourage narcissistic traits?
- 11:00 | EMMA SMYRSKI.....What is the primary cause of eating disorders?
- 11:40 | ESTHER JEBARAJHow can we effectively affirm and treat gender dysphoria?

FRIDAY, APRIL 14: QUESTIONS ON PSYCHOLOGY & SCIENCE

- 8:00 | MEGAN WATERS Has social media made mental illness a social contagion?
- 8:40 | MERRILY ELLINGTON Is gender ideology harming society?
- 9:35 | GRACE ALLEN Are pets necessary for human flourishing?
- 10:15 | JOSH CHILDERS What are the effects of social media on society?
- 11:00 | HANNAH OTTOShould we limit light pollution?
- 11:40 | DANE REYNOLDS.....Is art therapy effective?
- 1:05 | BURKE WHITE.....Is the environmental impact of lithium mining worth the product mined?

WEEK 2

MONDAY, APRIL 17: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS & EDUCATION

- 8:00 | BRIELLE MCDUFFEE.....How can we help student-athletes succeed in a way that aligns with the values of CCS?
- 8:40 | CHARLES COCHRAN.....Has the U.S. Department of Justice been weaponized for political purposes?
- 9:35 | MATTHEW BLONDIN.....Would waiving student debt be beneficial for the country as a whole?
- 10:15 | NOAH CALLAHAN.....Are bail reform and recent criminal justice reforms causing a decline in public safety?
- 11:00 | ZACHARY EDWARDS.....Is the military being crippled by “woke” and politically-correct ideologies?
- 11:40 | LANDON SEITZ What is the importance of art in general education?

TUESDAY, APRIL 18: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS, SOCIETY, & PSYCHOLOGY

- 8:00 | NICHOLAS ANDREWS.....Should we think of healthcare as a business or a public service?
- 8:40 | CAROLINE BOVENIZER.... Does physical activity positively affect the health and life of the mind?
- 9:35 | RIANZA DE WET..... To what extent do our circumstances shape us?
- 10:15 | JULIA SOUZA.....Should we prioritize race in adoption?
- 11:00 | GEORGIA AYERS.....Should healthcare professionals be criminally charged for medical errors?
- 11:40 | SRUTI NARISSETTI..... Is struggle essential to happiness?

THURSDAY, APRIL 20: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS, SOCIETY, & THE ARTS

- 8:00 | MIA PERKINS.....Is American society becoming like *Brave New World*?
- 8:40 | JACKSON WENTZ..... How has media bias influenced groupthink in our culture— and how will it affect the next generation of leaders?
- 9:35 | WALKER NEAL.....Will American involvement in Ukraine lead to nuclear war with Russia?
- 10:15 | NOAH BOILEN.....What actions can media companies take to report ethically and efficiently on current events?
- 11:00 | KENDALL POWELL.....Is Method Acting a safe practice of acting?
- 11:40 | KIRIN INGLE.....Should Christians step back in to the art world?

FRIDAY, APRIL 21: QUESTIONS ON THEOLOGY & THE ARTS

- 8:00 | MARIAH BALLARD.....How can the church be unified, given the existence of denominations?
- 8:40 | WILL WAKEFIELD.....Does secular music negatively affect Christians’ walk with the Lord?
- 9:35 | ELISE WHITAKER.....What does it mean to be an artist?

WEEK 3

MONDAY, APRIL 24: QUESTIONS ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, & BUSINESS

- 8:00 | EVAN CAMERON.....Are Christian virtues advantageous in the business sector?
8:40 | MATTHEW FICKEN.....Should companies increase their standard of data?
9:35 | GEORGE BECHARA.....Is the use of industrial seed oils in America's food supply ethical?
10:15 | ANDREW FLYTHE.....Are electric vehicles as green as we believe?
11:00 | GRANT PETERSON..... To what extent should we support zygotic gene editing?
11:40 | AMELIA BEAM.....What is a Christian's responsibility in response to climate change?

TUESDAY, APRIL 25: QUESTIONS ON POLITICS, SOCIETY, & PSYCHOLOGY

- 8:00 | CAMERON BRODIE.....Was Nietzsche's insanity caused by his worldview?
8:40 | HAYES HILLSGROVE.....How should Christians view leadership?
9:35 | WILL RHOADES.....From where do human rights originate?
10:15 | GARRETT BEVINS.....How best should facial recognition software be used for video surveillance purposes?
11:00 | KING BOSTROM.....Are stock options a viable investment vehicle?
11:40 | WILL KIZER.....Is responsibility the primary contributor to adolescent growth?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26: QUESTIONS ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, & THEOLOGY

- 8:00 | RYANN AYCOCK.....Should more be done to educate coaches and female runners about the importance of nutrition?
8:40 | ANDREW LI.....Should Christians ever use swear words?
9:35 | JAY COLE.....What is the best alternative fuel source for the automotive industry?
10:15 | ELLIE JACOBSEN.....Is medicated or natural childbirth healthier for women?
11:00 | ELLIOT KELLAM.....Are biblical justice and social justice compatible?
11:40 | MATTHEW STRITE.....Can Christians believe in evolution?
1:30 | CONNER MAHAN.....As a Christian, is there a right way to school your children?

THURSDAY, APRIL 27: QUESTIONS ON THEOLOGY

- 8:00 | NATE SEIFERT.....Are modern churches biblical?
8:40 | CHLOE COVIL.....Can we reconcile the violent God in the OT with the loving God in the NT?
9:35 | DANIEL CHOI.....Are those who have never heard the gospel held accountable?
10:15 | GRACE SHI.....Can a Christian identify as homosexual?

SENIOR THESIS ENCORE NIGHT - *Thursday, May 11 at 7 P.M.*

Join us for a special evening presentation from four of our top seniors. The audience gets to ask the questions! This is a great event for current and prospective families who want to learn what the senior thesis is all about.