

## **2021 - 2022**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its protection of water resources in the United States.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. Water Rights
2. Agriculture
3. Fracking
4. Tribal Waters
5. Clean Water Act

## **2020 - 2021**

Resolved: The United States federal government should enact substantial criminal justice reform in the United States in one or more of the following: forensic science, policing, sentencing.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. DNA
2. Decarceration
3. Mandatory Minimum
4. Police training
5. Juvenile detention

## **2019 - 2020**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce Direct Commercial Sales and/or Foreign Military Sales of arms from the United States.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. Saudi Arabia
2. Latin America
3. Drones
4. South China Sea
5. Ukraine
6. Africa

## **2018 - 2019**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce its restrictions on legal immigration to the United States.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. H1B Visas
2. Travel Ban
3. DREAM Act
4. Border Restrictions
5. Refugees/Asylum Seekers
6. Legal Pathways to Citizenship for undocumented immigrants

## **2017 - 2018**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its funding and/or regulation of elementary and/or secondary education in the United States.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. Charter schools / Private schools
2. Special education
3. Health & nutrition
4. Gender / Ethnicity issues
5. Curriculum / Standards
6. Facilities

## **2016 - 2017**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its economic and/or diplomatic engagement with the People's Republic of China.

**Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. Foreign Banking Investment
2. Human Rights
3. Pacific Rim
4. China/Africa
5. Health Care Diplomacy
6. Energy/Environment

**2015 - 2016**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially curtail its domestic surveillance.

**Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas:**

1. Prism (Examples of cases could involve bulk and metadata collection, NSA encryption issues, among others)
2. Aerial Surveillance (e.g. drones, UAV)
3. Border surveillance
4. TSA
5. COIN (This involves counterintelligence issues, domestic spies, any potentially threatening groups)
6. Drug trafficking

**2014 - 2015**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its non-military exploration and/or development of the Earth's oceans.

**Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas**

1. Aquaculture
2. Biomedical
3. Pollution
4. Desalination
5. Energy
6. Law of the Sea

**2013 - 2014**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its economic engagement toward Cuba, Mexico or Venezuela.

**Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas**

1. Cuban Embargo
2. NAFTA
3. Economic Assistance for Mexico
4. Trafficking
5. Fossil Fuel
6. Infrastructure

**2012 - 2013**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its transportation infrastructure investment in the United States.

**Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas**

1. Airports/Aviation
2. Waterways
3. Rail Transportation
4. Roads/Highways
5. Ports
6. Bridges

## **2011 - 2012**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its exploration and/or development of space beyond the Earth's mesosphere.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas**

1. Mars
2. Solar Power Satellites
3. Space Debris
4. Resource Mining
5. Space Militarization
6. Asteroid Defense

## **2010 - 2011**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce its military and/or police presence in one or more of the following: South Korea, Japan, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Iraq, Turkey.

### **Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas**

1. Remote weapons (including drones and landmines)
2. Drug eradication
3. Okinawa
4. Turkey
5. Troop withdrawal in the following: South Korea, Afghanistan, Kuwait
6. Private military contractors

## **2009 - 2010**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase social services for persons living in poverty in the United States.

**Novice / Junior-Varsity Case Areas**

1. Poverty Line
2. Homelessness / Housing
3. Food Stamps
4. Native Americans
5. Mental Healthcare
6. Immigration