

Domestic Round – Finals

Speaker One

Will Tea Party members help or hurt new Republican Congressional leaders?
Should California expand Medi-Cal coverage to include all low income people, regardless of immigration status?
Will Darren Wilson's resignation succeed in moving the public on to another issue?

Speaker Two

Should Republicans keep the revised filibuster rules in the new Senate?
Does Secretary Hagel's resignation highlight a rift between the White House and the Pentagon?
What, if anything, should be done to address police militarization in the US?

Speaker Three

Are Democrats making the right choice by retaining Nancy Pelosi as minority leader?
What would be the implications of the FDA declaring 'snus' a safer form of tobacco?
Will the Justice Department's Ferguson investigation result in significant change?

Speaker Four

Will Republicans succeed in advancing immigration legislation to counter President Obama's executive order?
Does California need to be more aggressive in creating and enforcing per capita water use limits?
Was District Attorney McCullough correct in his decision to present all the evidence in the Ferguson case to the grand jury?

Speaker Five

What will be the GOP's first significant piece of legislation in the new Congress?
Is same-sex marriage dead as a campaign issue?
Do the violent protests in Ferguson significantly undermine the messages of the peaceful protests?

Speaker Six

Will the new Republican led Congress succeed in killing Obamacare?
Is NASA heading in the right direction with its decision to develop the Orion spacecraft?
What lessons can be learned from the Rolling Stone UVA sexual assault coverage?

Speaker Seven

Has the 2014 midterm election given the GOP a clear mandate?
What are the implications of the recent Supreme Court case, Young v. UPS?
Has the federal government's response to police-related shootings been adequate?

Economic Round – Round 2

Speaker One

What do falling oil prices mean for the US economy?

How concerned should Japan be about its current economic recession?

What should the European Central Bank do to maximize economic growth in Europe?

Speaker Two

Is it time for the Federal Reserve to raise the prime interest rate?

Politics aside, are the European Union's sanctions against Russia having the desired economic impacts?

What does China passing the U.S. in total purchasing power mean for the future?

Speaker Three

What do recent jobless data say about the current state of US economic recovery?

What steps should Brazil take to address its negative economic growth?

Why is Germany's economy so strong?

Speaker Four

How concerned should we be that inflation continues to be lower than the Federal Reserve's target of two percent?

Will the fate of the Keystone XL pipeline have a significant impact on Canada's economy?

How will the strife in Ukraine alter the economic policy of Europe?

Speaker Five

Is the strengthening dollar doing more to help or hinder the US economy?

Is Amazon guilty of unfair business practices?

Is a progressive consumption tax a good idea?

Speaker Six

What does the recent growth in the housing market say about the current state of US economic recovery?

Can we expect the Trans-Pacific Partnership Trade Pact to be completed by early 2015?

Is Sears doomed?

Speaker Seven

What does the surging stock market tell us about the overall health of the US Economy?

Do China's recent agreements to cut carbon emissions make sense economically?

What specific policies can stem the tide of companies leaving California?

International – Round 1

Speaker One

Will the United Nations talks this week achieve a global pact to reduce climate change?
Should President Enrique Peña Nieto resign?
Can Iranian negotiators strike a deal that would be accepted by the Ayatollah Khamenei?

Speaker Two

What does the latest election in Taiwan say about Taiwan-China relations?
What are the implications of International Criminal Court's decision to drop charges against Kenya's president?
Can Merkel shift the rest of Europe away from Russian ties?

Speaker Three

Will the student protests in Hong Kong achieve change?
Is Sarkozy poised for a comeback?
What will be the impacts of the new World Trade Organization's global trade deal?

Speaker Four

What will the effects of David Cameron's new migrant policy be?
Will South Yemen successfully gain its independence from the north?
Where will Xi Jinping lead China in 2015?

Speaker Five

Will the European Union be able to reduce gas emissions enough to reach its goal by 2030?
What do the dropped charges against Mubarak mean for the Arab Spring?
Does the West need to be involved to stop Boko Haram?

Speaker Six

Will Russia's actions in Ukraine hurt Germany-Russia relations?
Are US airstrikes working against ISIS?
How will President Ashraf Ghani deal with transition in Afghanistan?

Speaker Seven

Will Prime Minister Shinzo Abe be able to keep his seat in the upcoming election?
Will the UN recognize Palestinian statehood?
What should be done to stop the spread of Ebola in Sierra Leone?