**HOT RESEARCH TOPICS**

abortion

adoption

affirmative action

AIDS

air pollution

alcoholism

alternative medicine

Alzheimer’s disease

animal rights

Anorexia nervosa

Arab/Israeli conflict

Attention Deficit disorder

Autism

banking crisis

bilingual education

blended families

budget deficit

bullying

capital punishment

cell phones in schools

censorship

Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)

cheating

chemical and biological weapons

Chief Illiniwek

child abuse

child labor/sweatshops

child molestation

child neglect

child soldiers

cloning

corporate bailouts

cosmetic surgery

crack/cocaine

cults

cyber crime

Darfur

date

rape

death penalty

depression

Diabetes

divorce

drinking age

dropping out

drug abuse

drug testing

drunk driving

eating disorders

education

election process

electronic devices in school

ethics in government

Euthanasia

Evolution

feminism

gambling

freedom of press

freedom of speech

gangs

gay marriage

gay rights

gays in the military

gender roles

genetic engineering

genocide

global warming

globalization

Gulf War

gun control

hate crimes

hazing

health care reform

Holocaust

home schooling

homeless

homosexuality

human trafficking

illegal immigration

immigration reform

internet

Iraq War

juvenile crime

Ku Klux Klan

Legalization of drugs

male and female roles

Marijuana

Medicare reform

military draft

nuclear power

obesity

oil spills

peer pressure

physician-assisted suicide

piracy

pornography

poverty

prison

prostitution

racial discrimination

racial profiling

rape

rain forests

reality TV

recycling

religion and government

runaway teens

school shootings

Schizophrenia

self-mutilation

sex education

sex-offender notification

sexual harassment

sexually transmitted diseases (STD’s)

smoking

social security reform

spousal abuse

stem cell research

steroids

tanning

tax reform

teen parenting

teen pregnancy

teen suicide

terrorism

Titanic

tobacco industry

underage drinking

universal health care

vegetarianism

video gaming

violence in schools

violence in the media

water pollution

welfare

wife abuse

wiretapping

women in the military

women in combat

year-round school