**Senior Thesis Speech—Outline Template**

I. Introduction

A. *Exordium* (engaging opener)

B. *Narratio* (statement of facts)

1. History of the Great Conversation

2. Stasis Points

a. Fact

b. Definition

c. Quality

d. Policy

C. *Partitio* (thesis statement)

II. Body

A. *Confirmatio* (argument)

1. Proof 1

a. Claim 1

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

b. Claim 2

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

c. Claim 3

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

2. Proof 2

a. Claim 1

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

b. Claim 2

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

c. Claim 3

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

3. Proof 3

a. Claim 1

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

b. Claim 2

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

c. Claim 3

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

B. *Refutatio* (Counterargument)

1. Counterargument A

a. Agreement

b. Qualification/

Counterclaim

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

2. Counterargument B

a. Agreement

b. Qualification/

Counterclaim

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

3. Counterargument C

a. Agreement

b. Qualification/

Counterclaim

i. Evidence

ii. Analysis

III. *Peroratio* (Conclusion)

A. Summary

B. Closing

C. Call to action