Opening Remarks
by Hofstra President Stuart Rabinowitz
9:05am Cultural Center Theater

Bush Policy in Iraq: Can the U.S. leave?
9:15-10am and 10:10-11:05am
Cultural Center Theater
Journalist and Iraq expert Dilip Hiro debates Dr. James Jay Carafano, a senior research fellow at the Heritage Foundation.

Politics and Pulpits: How is religion involved in the elections? How should it be?
9:05-10am Axinn Library, 10th floor
Clergy, a former politician and students discuss religion and electoral politics.

Is the military draft a good idea?
9:05-10am Breslin, Room 217
The pros and cons of conscription in a time of war will be discussed.

Israel and Palestine: Is there a road to peace?
10:10-11:05am Axinn Library, 10th floor
American policy towards this crucial region will be emphasized.

Civil Disobedience and the Republican National Convention Protests
10:10-11:05am Breslin, Room 111
Two Hofstra community members arrested during the protests dialogue with experts about security and civil rights.

Discovery, Dialogue, Debate and Discussion: Children Read the World
10:00 a.m.-4:00pm Hagedorn, Room 181
Books and Materials Interactive Display.

Intervention
10:10-11:05am Breslin, Room 216
What are the benefits and pitfalls of American intervention in the affairs of other nations? Some recent examples (including Kosovo and Serbia) will be discussed.

Empire, Poetry and Resistance: Voices from a Forgotten Colony
Distinguished Faculty Lecture by Professor Benita Sampedro
11:15am-12:40pm Cultural Center Theater
The culture, literature and politics of the African nation of Equatorial Guinea and its people’s relationship to globalization will be featured.

Gay Marriage since the Massachusetts Decision
11:15am-12:40pm Axinn Library, 10th floor
Mayor Jason West of New Paltz, who married gay couples in defiance of state law dialogues with Susan Shell, a Boston University professor and opponent of gay marriage.

Federal Funding for the Sciences: Who decides and what does it mean to you?
12:50-1:45pm Monroe, Room 142
The impact of science research funding on your quality of life and that of all Americans.

Fresh Perspectives: Third Party Views
12:50-1:45pm Breslin, Room 105
Representatives from the Libertarians, Greens and other parties discuss the role of third parties in American politics.

The Patriot Act
12:50-1:45pm Axinn Library, 10th floor
A variety of views on how this change in law enforcement practice affects citizens and non-citizens.

Managing the Economy
12:50-1:45pm Cultural Center Theater
Economists debate the best way to manage the economy.

The Globalization of Jobs
1:55-2:50pm Cultural Center Theater
The globalization of labor and outsourcing of jobs will be discussed.

Soldiers’ Stories
1:55-2:50pm Axinn Library, 10th floor
Facilitator: Mitchel Hadad
Soldiers with experience in the Iraq conflict will be featured in this student-centered discussion of what it means to be a soldier in a time of war.

Prison Reform, Prison Expansion and Alternatives to Incarceration
1:55-2:50pm Breslin, Room 100
Incarceration and its effects on civil society will be discussed from various viewpoints.
Civil Liberties after 9/11
2:55-4:20pm Cultural Center Theater
Legal experts discuss privacy, Guantanamo Bay prisoners and other post-9/11 legal issues.

What about us? How the Political Process Disenfranchises Young People and What We Propose to Do about It
2:55-4:20pm Breslin, Room 216
A student-led discussion on college-age citizenship and its discontents.

Voices from Iraq
2:55-4:20pm Axinn Library, 10th floor
Photos and a conversation between an American journalist and American soldier both of whom have been in Iraq in recent months.

National Education Policy
4:25-5:50pm Hagedorn Hall, Room 284
The "No Child Left Behind Act" and other policies related to today’s public education will be discussed.

Informing the Citizenry:
Does the media do its job?
4:25-5:50pm Axinn Library, 10th floor
The role of the news media in the democratic process, with emphasis on the 2004 presidential elections.

Does "W" stand for women?
4:25-5:25pm Cultural Center Theater
Laura Flanders, author of Bushwomen dialogues with Dr. Marilyn O’Grady, New York Conservative Party candidate for Senate and Hofstra’s Dr. Rosanna Perotti.

Shirley Lauro’s A Piece of My Heart
5:30-6:05pm Cultural Center Theater
Selections from a play about nurses in wartime.

Plenary—American National Security:
Does the Bush policy make us safer?
6:20-7:35pm Cultural Center Theater
Journalist and Iraq expert Dilip Hiro and Dr. James Jay Carafano, a senior research fellow at the Heritage Foundation will join our local experts.

Student Dialogue Session:
Where are we now? Where are we going as a people and a nation? What’s it all mean to me?
7:45-9:00pm Axinn Library, 10th Floor
Facilitators: Laurie Johnson and Linda Longmire
Open forum for students to voice their views and concerns about our nation’s future.

Sex in the Classroom:
What should sex education be about?
7:45-9:00pm Cultural Center Theater
Two very different views about what we should be teaching our kids about this subject.

Presidential Debate
9:00-11:45pm Cultural Center Theater
Facilitators: Mary Ann Trasciatti, Matthew Sobnosky, Mike D’Innocenzo
We’ll watch the debate together and student-focused discussion will follow.

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