**Topic 5: Social Security Reform:** The federal government as primary provider of a basic “safety net” level of retirement income for the overwhelming majority of American workers. This topic considers long run demographics and funding of the Social Security Retirement System, intergenerational fairness and equity, and analysis of recent proposals for fundamental reforms, including “privatization” of some or all of the current system, and the budget impacts of a transition from an old to a new system.

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