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Speech Title:

Speech Purpose:

Speech Thesis:

Introduction

1. Attention material: When is the last time you read a book?
2. Thesis: The diminishing emphasis on Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) in postsecondary education not only undermines the comprehensive development of students' critical thinking and ethical reasoning abilities but also neglects the essential role these disciplines play in fostering a well-rounded, culturally aware, and adaptable workforce. This trend, if not addressed, poses a significant risk to the holistic growth of individuals and, by extension, the progress and resilience of our society.
3. Preview: (preview your three main points)

*TRANSITION:*

Body

1. The diminishing of the Humanities and Social Sciences has created a culture where the “practical” is artificially and unnecessarily separated from the “philosophical”

   2. Introduction of the Myth of Sisyphus

*TRANSITION: (Internal summary / Internal preview)*

1. Implementing a stronger core curriculum in American public universities would create more well-rounded graduates and better thinkers.

*TRANSITION: (Internal summary / Internal preview)*

1. (Main Point 3 Thesis statement)

*TRANSITION: (Internal summary / Internal preview)*

Conclusion

Summary statement: (restate preview statement)

Concluding remarks: (tie back to introduction)

References *(in APA style)*