**Debate Preparation Template – Active Learning**

Purpose: This template is designed to help students organize their arguments, evidence, and counterarguments when preparing for a debate.

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**Debate Outline**

Debate Topic:  
Course:  
Date:

**1. Team Positions:**

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| Team | Assigned Position | Members |
| Pro (For) | [Assigned Position] | [Name(s)] |
| Con (Against) | [Assigned Position] | [Name(s)] |

**2. Argument Development:**

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| Argument | Supporting Evidence | Counterargument |
| Argument 1 | [Evidence] | [Counterargument] |
| Argument 2 | [Evidence] | [Counterargument] |
| Argument 3 | [Evidence] | [Counterargument] |

**3. Rebuttal Preparation:**

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| Opponent's Argument | Rebuttal |
| Opponent's Argument 1 | [Rebuttal] |
| Opponent's Argument 2 | [Rebuttal] |
| Opponent's Argument 3 | [Rebuttal] |

**4. Conclusion:**

Summarize the main points that your team wants to leave the audience with. E.g., "*The benefits of AI in healthcare, when ethically applied, outweigh the potential risks."*