

Claim Stakes

A gallery activity for PHIL 388: Ethics of AI

How it works

Around the room you will find nine large claim cards — bold, arguable statements about AI ethics. Your job is not to agree or disagree in private. Your job is to mark the ones that are worth fighting over.

Step 1 — Collect your dots

Pick up three dot stickers when you arrive. These are your stakes. You have exactly three, so spend them deliberately.

Step 2 — Browse the gallery

Wander. Read the student posters. Read the claim cards. Think about which claims provoke you — which ones you want to challenge, complicate, or defend. You don't have to like a claim to stake it. You just have to think it's worth arguing about.

Step 3 — Place your stakes

When you've decided, place a dot sticker on each of the three claims you find most contested, most troubling, or most in need of a real argument. You can place all three on different claims, or concentrate them.

Step 4 — Talk

If you see a cluster of dots on a claim card, that's an invitation. Find out why others staked it. If you see someone placing a dot, ask them what they think. The student presenters are here to engage — not just to explain their posters.

The only rule

Stake claims you find genuinely interesting — not just the ones you agree with. The goal is to find out where the real disagreements are, not to win a vote.