Academic Words

For essay writing:

Introduce opinions:
I believe
I agree/disagree
In my opinion

Introduce a series of points:
Firstly, ... (First of all, ...)
Secondly, (Another reason...)
Thirdly, ...
Finally, ...

Give examples:
For example, ...
For instance, ...

Give more examples:
Furthermore, ...
Also, ...
In addition, ... / Additionally, ...
Moreover

Express contrast:
Although/ though ...
However, ...
Nevertheless, ...
On the one hand, ... / On the other hand, ...

Give conclusion:
In conclusion, ...
In summary, ...
[or simply state the conclusion]

General Academic Words – Most Frequently Used

analysis
approach
area
assessment
assume
authority
available
benefit
concept
consistent
constitutional
context
contract
create
data
definition
derived
distribution
economic
environment
established
estimate
evidence
export
factors
financial
formula
function
identified
income
indicate
individual
interpretation
involved
issues
labor
legal
legislation
major
method
occur
percent
period
policy
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specific
structure
theory
variables

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