

# **ADVANCED PLACEMENT UNITED STATES HISTORY**

## **SYLLABUS 2016-17**

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The Advanced Placement (AP) program in U. S. History is designed to provide students with the analytic skills and factual knowledge necessary to deal critically with the history of the United States. The program prepares students for advanced college courses by making demands upon them equivalent to those made by universities. An AP U. S. History course should thus develop the skills necessary to arrive at conclusions on the basis of an informed judgment and to present reasoning and evidence clearly in essay format.

### **YEAR LONG GOALS:**

1. To examine how and why change occurs
2. To analyze and draw conclusions about recurring themes in U. S. History
3. To improve reading comprehension and critical thinking
4. To become efficient writers of an historical essay
5. To prepare for the successful completion of the AP exam in May (AP exam is required)

### **READING QUIZ:**

A reading schedule will be provided to you. The day a chapter is due, there will be a short quiz over the assigned chapter. You may complete the chapter objectives for each chapter or take your own notes over the chapter and *use them on your quiz*; you will turn them in with your quiz.

### **ESSAYS:**

Students will write approximately one essay every two weeks in conjunction with the reading material. If any portion of your essay is plagiarized (please visit the OU website for a complete definition of plagiarism) you will receive a zero on the essay. Some essays will be completed in class.

### **EXAMS:**

Exams will occur at the end of each unit and they will be multiple choice.

### **PRIMARY SOURCE PACKET:**

Each student will be given a packet of the primary source documents that we will be reading throughout the year. Students must bring this packet to class every day and make notations on the primary sources that are read in class. If you do not have your packet, you will take a zero for the day and will not be able to share with someone who has their packet.

### **GRADES:**

Grades are based on Essays, Unit Exams, Reading Quizzes/Short Answer Questions, Notebook/Participation Grade, and Daily Work.

\*Your Social Studies Field Experience will be the equivalent of one unit exam

## TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTARY READERS:

*The American Pageant*, Kennedy and Cohen, Cengage Learning; 16th edition (January 1, 2015)

**All reading assignments from the textbook are to be done at home**—reading assignments may or may not be discussed in class, but all material will be on class exams and the AP exam. It is impossible to lecture/discuss 400 years of history in one school year; therefore, **READING** the assigned chapters is essential to success in class. Your chapter reading is 90% of your homework for the year and it is essential to success on timed essays, multiple choice questions and the AP exam. The reading averages to 25 - 30 pages per week; effective reading includes notations of the text and note taking based off of your notation. Because you cannot write in your textbook, I strongly suggest using post-it notes for your notations.

### Unit One---Approximately 20 Days covering Periods 1 and 2 (1491-1607) (1607-1754)

Subject matter covered in Unit One includes the following:

- Native Americans before Columbus
- Search for a water route to Asia/Early Explorers
- Spain's New World Empire/ Elizabethan England
- The planting of Jamestown 1607
- English settlers and Native Americans
- Growth of Virginia and Maryland / Carolinas and Georgia
- The Puritan faith and Plymouth colony 1620/Massachusetts Bay 1630
- Settling Rhode Island/Connecticut/Pennsylvania/New Jersey/ Delaware
- Indentured Servitude and Bacon's Rebellion/Salem Witchcraft trials
- Great Awakening

### Unit Two—Approximately 18 Days covering Period 3 (1754-1800)

Subject matter covered in Unit Two includes the following:

- French Indian War/Coming of American Rev.
- American Revolution
- The Articles of Confederation
- State constitutions/Northwest ordinances/Shays Rebellion
- Constitutional Convention/Bill of Rights/Hamilton's Economic Policy
- Whiskey Rebellion/Federalists and Democrat Republicans/ Jay's Treaty
- French Revolution/ Alien-Sedition Acts/ Kentucky Virginia Resolutions

### Unit Three---Approximately 15 Days covering Period 4 (1800-1848)

Subject matter covered in unit three includes the following:

- Revolution of 1800/ Marshall Court/ Barbary Pirates/Louisiana Purchase
- Embargo Act/ War of 1812/Hartford Convention/ The American System
- Era of Good Feelings/Monroe/Missouri Compromise
- New Democracy/Corrupt Bargain/Presidency of John Quincy Adams/
- Tariff of 1828/Jackson's Election and Jacksonian Democracy/Webster-Hayne debate/ Nullification Crisis/ War on Bank of U. S. / Indian Removal

Whig Party/ Panic of 1837/ William Henry Harrison's election  
Westward Expansion/Irish and German immigration/Factory System  
Reform Movements of 1840's/ Second Great Awakening/  
Slavery-The Peculiar Institution/Abolitionists  
Manifest Destiny/Annexation of Texas/ James Polk/ Mexican War  
Popular Sovereignty/Compromise of 1850/Kansas-Nebraska Act

Unit Four---Approximately 18 Days covering Period 5 (1844-1877)

Subject matter covered in Unit Four includes the following:

Manifest Destiny/Annexation of Texas/ James Polk/ Mexican War  
Popular Sovereignty/Compromise of 1850/Kansas-Nebraska Act  
Bleeding Kansas/Dred Scott Case/Election of Buchanan  
Panic of 1857/Lincoln-Douglas Debates/John Brown  
Lincoln's Election 1860/ South Carolina Secedes/Fort Sumter  
Border States/Civil Liberties/Bull Run/Antietam  
Emancipation Proclamation/Gettysburg/ Sherman in Georgia  
Appomattox, Lincoln's Assassination/ Reconstruction-Lincoln and  
Johnson's Plan/ Military Reconstruction/KKK and Black Codes  
13-15 Amendments/ Johnson's Impeachment

Unit Five---Approximately 18 days covering Period 6 (1865-1898)

Subject matter covered in Unit Five includes the following:

The West/Indian Wars/Ulysses S. Grant/Corruption and Reform/Depression  
Compromise of 1877/Civil Service Reform/Class Conflicts  
Grover Cleveland and Tariff/Railroad Boom/Government Regulation  
Lords of Industry/Laboring Class and Trade Unions  
New Immigration and City Life/Black Leaders/Urban America  
Agricultural Revolution/Populist Protest/Conquest of Indians  
Billion Dollar Congress/Panic of 1893/Pullman Strike/labor  
Wilson-Gorman Tariff/Bryan Versus McKinley

**\*\*WOMENS UNIT**

Unit Six---Approximately 25 days covering Period 7 (1890-1945)

Subject matter covered in Unit Six includes the following:

American Expansionism/Maine/Spanish-American War  
Invasion of Cuba/Acquiring Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Philippines  
Imperialism/Open Door Notes/Teddy Roosevelt becomes President  
Panama Canal/Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine/Progressivism  
Muckrakers/Women's Suffrage movement/Trustbusting/Consumer Protection  
Conservation/Taft's Dollar Diplomacy/Election of 1912/Wilson and Tariffs,  
And Trusts/War in Europe and Wilson's Neutrality/German Sub Warfare-U. S. Entry into  
WWI/ 14 Points/ Propaganda and Civil Liberties/ Women and Blacks/ The Draft/The

Senate Rejects the Versailles Treaty The First Red Scare/ Immigration Restriction/ Prohibition  
Mass Consumption/ Literature/ Economic Boom  
Isolationism and Disarmament/ Harding Scandals/ Coolidge's Foreign Policy  
Crash of 1929/ Hoover and the Great Depression/ "Good Neighbor Policy"  
FDR and First Hundred Days/ Alphabet Soup-New Deal/ Supreme Court Fight  
FDR's Foreign Policy/ German and Japanese Aggression/Neutrality Acts/ Lend-Lease/ Cash and Carry/ Atlantic Charter/ Pearl Harbor/ Internment of Japanese  
War Economy/ Women and War/ African American's and War/ D-Day

Unit Seven---Approximately 27 days covering Periods 8 and 9 (1945-Present)

Subject matter covered in Unit Seven includes the following:

Atomic Bomb/ Beginning of Cold War/ Sunbelt/ Postwar Prosperity  
Suburbs and Baby Boom/ Yalta Conference/ Truman Doctrine/ Marshall Plan  
NATO/ Anti-Communism at Home/ Outbreak of Korean War/ Fair Deal  
Election of Eisenhower/ McCarthyism/ Desegregating the South  
Brown v. Board of Education/ MLK and the Civil Rights Movement  
Suez Crisis/ Space Race/ JFK elected/ Consumer Culture of 1950's  
Bay of Pigs/ Cuban Missile Crisis/ JFK Assassinated/ LBJ and Great Society  
Civil Rights and Voting Rights Acts/ Vietnam Disaster/ Election of Nixon  
Cultural Upheaval of the 1960's/ Nixon and Vietnamization/ Warren Court  
Watergate/ Israelis, Arabs and Oil/ Election of Jimmy Carter/ Energy Crisis  
Inflation/ Iranian Hostage/ New Right and Reagan/ Reaganomics  
Thawing of the Cold War/ Iran-Contra Scandal/ Election of George Bush  
Persian Gulf War/ Election of Bill Clinton/ Contract with America

AP EXAM May 5th, 2017