Course Title: AP US History

Course #: 1665-1666

Course Description: Advanced Placement United States History is a rigorous and intensive course that is meant to be the equivalent of an introductory freshman college course in American History. The scope of the course begins with the emergence of Colonial America (1400s), and continues through the end of the Cold War in the 20th Century.

UC/CSU Approval: “a” approved

Grade Level: 11

Estimated Homework Per Week: 4 hours

Prerequisite: Completion of AP World History with a “B” or higher; Completion of World History with an “A”

Recommended Prerequisite Skills: Strong reading comprehension; excellent time management; writing and research skills; appreciation for historical study

Course Grade Scale:
- Tests and Quizzes: 50%
- Homework and Classwork: 30%
- Final: 20%

Major Assessments/Units/Topics:

Unit 1: Transformations of North America (1490-1700)
- Selected Topics: First Migrants - Native Americans - Spanish Dominion - The Columbian Exchange
  - Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
  - Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 2: British North America and the Atlantic World (1607-1763)
- Selected Topics: Pilgrims - Slave Trade - Commerce on the Atlantic - French and Indian War
  - Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 3: Revolution and Republican Culture (1754-1800)
Selected Topics: Colonial Unrest - Revolution - Constitution - War of 1812
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 4: Overlapping Revolutions (1800-1848)
Selected Topics: King Cotton - Commercial Atlantic - Jackson Era - Transcendentalism - Manifest Destiny
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 5: Consolidating a Continental Union (1844-1877)
Selected Topics: Abolitionism - Republican Party - Civil War - Reconstruction
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 6: Industrializing America: Upheavals and Experiments (1877-1917)
Selected Topics: Big Business - Cultural Changes - Metropolises - Progressivism
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 7: Domestic and Global Challenges (1890-1945)
Selected Topics: Spanish American War - The Great War - Roaring 20’s - Depression - World War II
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 8: The Modern State and the Age of Liberalism (1945-1980)
Selected Topics: Cold War - 1950’s Conformity - Civil Rights Movement - Vietnam War - Space Race
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions

Unit 9: Globalization and the End of the American Century (1980-Present)
Selected Topics: Conservatism - Cold War Conclusion - Global Economy - War Against Terror
Unit Tests: Multiple Choice and Essay
Chapter Quizzes: 10-15 Multiple Choice Questions