

Core U.S. History	AP U.S. History	IB History Year 1
<p>Appropriate for students who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -want to investigate aspects of United States History at a reasonable pace, without a lot of work outside the classroom -Enjoy learning thematically, not chronologically -Are interested in examining U.S. History from the Colonial period (c. 1600s) to present through multiple perspectives and lenses, including historically underrepresented groups -Enjoy a slower pace to learning with student choice on topics within a theme (e.g. when studying the Impact of WW2 on minorities, students choose one of seven groups to do an in-depth study on) -Like to have their knowledge assessed through creative projects and presentations, in class essays with the use of notes and resources <p>In this course, readings about themes build context of the historical periods. Students accumulate evidence over time in order to respond to guiding unit questions</p> <p>-This course does not prepare students for an AP or an IB test.</p>	<p>Appropriate for students who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -are interested in a chronological survey of US history, with emphasis on important figures and events, and for those who are interested in taking the AP US History exam. -Enjoy learning a wide range of historical information -Are interested in a survey of most of the important historical events in U.S. History from the pre-Colombian period (c.1492) to the present, broadly and thematically. -Emphasizes a structured approach to learning and assessment, with specific emphasis placed on preparing students for the types of assessment which will occur on the APUSH exam (multiple choice and timed essays). <p>In this course, the readings that students do about historical events are condensed into content notes which focus on their thematic significance within a specific period of American history.</p> <p>Students who take this course are prepared to take the AP US History test in May.</p>	<p>Appropriate for students who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enjoy learning deeply about a few historical topics - Are interested in 20th Century political history of U.S., Latin America/Mexico, and Canada -Desire to understand specific parts of history from multiple lenses and different perspectives. -Interested in historiography (different interpretations of history) with a focus on primary sources and how historians “do history” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -introduced through South African history -Like to demonstrate those skills in a variety of ways, such as class discussions, presentations, and process papers <p>In this course, the readings that students do are focused on big themes and big understandings (more like a literature class)</p> <p>This course will include a research paper.</p> <p>This course does not prepare a student to take AP US History test. Students who take this course are prepared to continue to IB HL 2</p>

