



Course Syllabus: AP US History

Course Description

AP United States History is a study the cultural, economic, political, and social developments that have shaped the United States from c. 1491 to the present. You'll analyze texts, visual sources, and other historical evidence and write essays expressing historical arguments.

This course may have three sections: AP U.S. History A is the first half of the course and includes Units 1 – 5. AP U.S. History B is the second half of the course and includes Units 6 – 9. U.S. History Y is the entire course and includes Units 1 – 9.

This course includes the following units:

- Unit 1 – Period 1: 1491-1607
- Unit 2 – Period 2: 1607-1754
- Unit 3 – Period 3: 1754-1800
- Unit 4 – Period 4: 1800-1848
- Unit 5 – Period 5: 1844-1877
- Unit 6 – Period 6: 1865-1898
- Unit 7 – Period 7: 1890-1945
- Unit 8 – Period 8: 1945-1980
- Unit 9– Period 9: (1980-Present)

Textbook

There is no required textbook for this course. All course content is digital and available in the online course modules.

Course Participation Policy

Students should follow the Course Schedule (Student Orientation) and all course work must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM on the due date.

After the due date has passed, instructors will enter zeros in the Grade Center for work not submitted by the deadline. During student breaks and towards the end of the semester, students may have the opportunity to improve their course grade by completing and submitting work with grades of zero from earlier in the semester. Zeros will remain in the Grade Center until course work is submitted and evaluated by the instructor.

The CVA term ends prior to the end of the traditional school semester. The final date work will be accepted each term is posted on the CVA website (www.cobbvirtualacademy.org).

Grading

Grades for the course are calculated based on category percentages as follows:

Assignments = 20%

Quizzes = 10%

Discussion Boards = 10%

Tests = 50%

Final Exam = 10%

Every test will have a multiple choice and written portion. The written portion will rotate between short answers and long essays with each unit. All tests in this course are modeled after the pace of the AP Exam. This timing requirement prepares students for the multiple-choice portion of the AP Exam. Exceeding the time limit on tests in this course may result in loss of points or students being required to retake the test.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the cornerstone of learning at CVA and we take the integrity and authenticity of student work very seriously. When academic integrity is maintained, students will make decisions based on values that will prepare them to be productive, meaningful, and ethical citizens.

Students are required to abide by the CVA Academic Integrity Policy. Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. The CVA Academic Integrity Policy outlines the consequences if students fail to maintain academic integrity in their course. For additional information, the CVA Academic Integrity Policy is posted on the CVA website.

Additional General Information

- Students must complete the mandatory online CVA Student Orientation each term before any course work will be graded by the instructor.
- All course work must be submitted through CTLS in the format requested. Students should have access to Microsoft Office and submit assignments in that format. All CCSD students have access to the Office 365 Suite. Assignments submitted through email will not be accepted.
- Grade Center shows the current grade for the course and is automatically calculated.
- Students must take an online final exam during the times indicated on the CVA website.
- Students will need to contact their school counselor to sign up for the AP Exam that will be given at their local school.