

U.S. History I Syllabus

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Required Textbook

United States History and Geography (2014)

Course Outline

This course will cover the history of the United States beginning with Colonization and ending with the beginning of World War One. The goal of this course is not limited to teaching you the History of the United States, but how to think critically about what occurred and help you use this knowledge to shape the future.

Academic Expectations & Goals

This course seeks to educate students to:

1. Study the major core concepts and themes of U.S. History.
2. Learn the basic skills of historical research, including the creation of research projects, analyzing and evaluating the data and images.
3. Discuss ethical issues and situations that impact our society.
4. Develop the skills needed to become a critical thinker and allowing deeper levels of learning

Grading Policy

Throughout the year, students will receive frequent and diverse opportunities to demonstrate competency in the subject area. Students will take announced and unannounced assessments, complete writing assignments and a special projects and activities throughout the semester.

Misrepresenting others' work as your own is intellectual dishonesty. Because research and learning are often best done in groups, collaboration with classmates is expected. However, all work on tests must be individual and research reports must be written in your own words. You must properly cite resources and people used in your research. You will receive a zero for any test or project that is plagiarized

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	65-69
F	65 and below

Class work 20%
Home work 10%
Quizzes 20%
Test 25%
Authentic Assessments 25%