

United States History

Knowledge Content

The course begins with the Pre-Colonial Period and finishes in the present. Students study the following topics:

Semester I

- Colonial Period
- Revolution
- Confederation and Constitution
- Foreign Affairs
- Jacksonian Democracy
- Expansion and Manifest Destiny
- Rise of Sectionalism
- Civil War

Semester II

- Reconstruction
- Growth of Industry and Labour
- Progressivism
- Isolationism and WWI
- Wilsons 14 Pts and Versailles
- 1920s
- FDR presidency
- Truman and Cold War
- 60s and 70s
- Administrations of Carter, Reagan and Clinton.

Skills Content

In relation to the topics listed above, students will:

- Develop an understanding of cause and effect
- Chronology, analysis of documents
- Empathy

Develop skills for:

- Debating techniques
- Essay writing
- Research writing
- Exam and test taking.

Assessment

- Tests
- Quizzes
- Debate
- Classroom presentations
- Essays
- Projects.

Examinations

Internal assessment, Christmas exam, June exam.

Resources

- Boorstein, K., *A History of The United States*. Prentice Hall, 2002
- Other supplementary texts/handouts/videos.

Prerequisites

None.

Credits

One Credit.