Global Program Studies U.S. History

Date: December 2012
Proposed Grade Level(s): 11th
Grading: A-F
Prerequisites: None

Subject Area: Social Science, U.S. History
Course Length: One Year
Number of Credits: 5 per Semester

BRIEF COURSE DESCRIPTION:
In this course, students apply knowledge gained in previous years of study to pursue a deeper understanding of major turning points in the shaping of the United States and the modern world. In addition, students draw upon their studies of world and United States history to examine current national and world issues and the growing interdependence of people throughout the world.

GPS INTEGRATED CURRICULAR FOCUS:
Students evaluate the effects of American immigration and of U.S. intervention in foreign affairs, especially during the Age of Imperialism, World Wars I and II, the Cold War, and contemporary America.

GENERAL GOALS/PURPOSES:
United States History and Geography: Continuity and Change in the Twentieth Century
Students in grade eleven study the major turning points in American history in the twentieth century. Following a review of the nation's beginnings and the impact of the European Enlightenment on U. S. democratic ideals, students build upon the tenth grade study of global industrialization to understand the emergence and impact of new technology and a corporate economy, including the social and cultural effects. Students examine the expanding role of the federal government and federal courts as well as the continuing tension between the individual and the state. An emphasis is placed on the changes in the ethnic composition of American society with a focus on the push-pull factors influencing migratory trends, the movement toward equal rights, religious pluralism, social reform, and the role of the United States as a major world power and its position in a global economy and geopolitics.

Students consider the major social problems of our time and trace their causes in historical events. They learn that the United States has served as a model for other nations and that the rights and freedoms we enjoy are not accidents, but the results of a defined set of political principles that are not always basic to citizens of other countries. Students understand that our rights under the U. S. Constitution are a precious inheritance that depends on an educated citizenry for their preservation and protection.

Students will:
• Develop socio-political literacy to understand different political and social systems, the relationship between a culture and its laws, and the differences between democratic and non-democratic systems.
• Develop an understanding of different cultural values, belief systems, rights, and responsibilities inherent in participatory citizenship.
• Develop analytical, critical thinking, and study skills, which enhance students’ global awareness to help them better understand major national and international dilemmas occurring today.

STUDENT TECHNOLOGY COMPONENT:
Students will use a variety of technological applications for both self-directed and cooperative assignments and projects, including but not limited to the use of iPads in the classroom.
UNIT 1. The Nation's Beginnings (3 weeks)

11.1 Students analyze the significant events in the founding of the nation and its attempts to realize the philosophy of government described in the Declaration of Independence.

   1. Describe the European Enlightenment and the rise of democratic ideas as the context in which the nation was founded.
   2. Analyze the ideological origins of the American Revolution, the Founding Fathers' philosophy of divinely bestowed unalienable natural rights, the debates on the drafting and ratification of the Constitution, and the addition of the Bill of Rights.
   3. Understand the history of the Constitution after 1787 with emphasis on federal versus state authority and growing democratization.
   4. Examine the effects of the Civil War and Reconstruction and of the industrial revolution, including demographic shifts and the emergence in the late nineteenth century of the United States as a world power.

UNIT 2. The United States 1800-1900 – Progressive Era (3 weeks)

11.2 Students analyze the relationship among the rise of industrialization, large-scale rural-to-urban migration, and massive immigration from Southern and Eastern Europe.

   1. Know the effects of industrialization on living and working conditions, including the portrayal of working conditions and food safety in Upton Sinclair's The Jungle.
   2. Describe the changing landscape, including the growth of cities linked by industry and trade, and the development of cities divided according to race, ethnicity, and class.
   3. Analyze migratory trends in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries.
   4. Trace the effect of the Americanization movement.
   5. Analyze the effect of urban political machines and responses to them by immigrants and middle-class reformers.
   6. Discuss corporate mergers that produced trusts and cartels and the economic and political policies of industrial leaders.
   7. Trace the economic development of the United States and its emergence as a major industrial power, including its gains from trade and the advantages of its physical geography.
   8. Analyze the similarities and differences between the ideologies of Social Darwinism and Social Gospel (e.g., using biographies such as those of William Graham Sumner, Billy Sunday, and Dwight L. Moody).
   9. Examine the effect of political programs and activities of Populists.
   10. Understand the effect of political programs and activities of the Progressives (e.g., federal regulation of railroad transport, Children's bureau, the Sixteenth Amendment, Theodore Roosevelt, and the early Theodore Roosevelt administrations).
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Unit 3. Social Upheaval (3 weeks)

11.3 Students analyze the role religion played in the founding of America, its lasting moral, social, and political impacts, and issues regarding religious liberty.

1. Describe the contributions of various religious groups to American civic principles and social reform movements (e. g., civil and human rights, individual responsibility and the work ethic, antimonarchy and self-rule, worker protection, family-centered communities).
2. Analyze worldwide reform movements which reflect American principles founded during social reform movements.
3. Analyze the great religious revivals and the leaders involved in them, including the First Great Awakening, the Second Great Awakening, the Civil War revivals, the Social Gospel Movement, the rise of Christian liberal theology in the nineteenth century, the impact of the Second Vatican Council, and the rise of Christian fundamentalism in current times.
4. Cite incidences of religious intolerance in the United States (e. g., persecution of Mormons, anti-Catholic sentiment, anti-Semitism).
5. Compare aspects of American religious pluralism with worldwide examples of religious tolerance and intolerance.
6. Discuss the expanding religious pluralism in the United States and California that resulted from large-scale immigration in the twentieth century.
7. Describe the principles of religious liberty found in the Establishment and Free Exercise clauses of the First Amendment, including the debate on the issue of separation of church and state.

Unit 4. Globalization (3 weeks)

11.4 Students trace the rise of the United States to its role as a world power in the twentieth century.

1. List the purpose and the effects of the Open Door policy.
3. Discuss America's role in the Panama Revolution and the building of the Panama Canal.
5. Analyze the political, economic, and social ramifications of World War I on the home front.
6. Trace the declining role of Great Britain and the expanding role of the United States in world affairs after World War II.
7. Examine current American diplomatic relations with various world powers.

Unit 5. The Jazz Era (3 weeks)

11.5 Students analyze the major political, social, economic, technological, and cultural developments of the 1920s.

1. Discuss the policies of Presidents Warren Harding, Calvin Coolidge, and Herbert Hoover.
2. Analyze the international and domestic events, interests, and philosophies that prompted attacks on civil liberties, including the Palmer Raids, Marcus Garvey's "back-to-Africa" movement, the Ku Klux Klan, and immigration quotas and the responses of organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the Anti-Defamation League to those attacks.
3. Examine the passage of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution and the Volstead Act (Prohibition).
4. Analyze the passage of the 19th Amendment and the changing role of women in society.
5. Describe the Harlem Renaissance and new trends in literature, music, and art, with special attention to the work of writers (e. g., Zora Neale Hurston, Langston Hughes).
6. Trace the growth and effects of radio and movies and their role in the worldwide diffusion of popular culture during the decade and into the present.
7. Discuss the rise of mass production techniques, the growth of cities, the impact of new technologies (e. g., the automobile, electricity), and the resulting prosperity and effect on the American landscape.
Unit 6. The Great Depression (3 weeks)

11.6 Students analyze the different explanations for the Great Depression and how the New Deal fundamentally changed the role of the federal government. Describe the monetary issues of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries that gave rise to the establishment of the Federal Reserve and the weaknesses in key sectors of the economy in the late 1920s.

1. Understand the explanations of the principal causes of the Great Depression and the steps taken by the Federal Reserve, Congress, and Presidents Herbert Hoover and Franklin Delano Roosevelt to combat the economic crisis.
2. Compare the Great Depression with the worldwide economic depression spanning the 1920’s and 1930’s.
3. Discuss the human toll of the Depression, natural disasters, and unwise agricultural practices and their effects on the depopulation of rural regions and on political movements of the left and right, with particular attention to the Dust Bowl refugees and their social and economic impacts in California.
4. Analyze the effects of and the controversies arising from New Deal economic policies and the expanded role of the federal government in society and the economy since the 1930s (e.g., Works Progress Administration, Social Security, National Labor Relations Board, farm programs, regional development policies, and energy development projects such as the Tennessee Valley Authority, California Central Valley Project, and Bonneville Dam).
5. Trace the advances and retreats of organized labor, from the creation of the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations to current issues of a postindustrial, multinational economy, including the United Farm Workers in California.
6. Compare the economic indicators of The Great Depression with current global economic cycles.

Unit 7. World War II (4 weeks)

11.7 Students analyze America's participation in World War II.

1. Examine the origins of American involvement in the war, with an emphasis on the events that precipitated the attack on Pearl Harbor.
2. Explain U. S. and Allied wartime strategy, including the major battles of Midway, Normandy, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and the Battle of the Bulge.
3. Identify the roles and sacrifices of individual American soldiers, as well as the unique contributions of the special fighting forces (e.g., the Tuskegee Airmen, the 442nd Regimental Combat team, the Navajo Code Talkers).
4. Analyze Roosevelt's foreign policy during World War II (e.g., Four Freedoms speech).
5. Discuss the constitutional issues and impact of events on the U. S. home front, including the internment of Japanese Americans (e.g., Fred Korematsu v. United States of America) and the restrictions on German and Italian resident aliens; the response of the administration to Hitler's atrocities against Jews and other groups; the roles of women in military production; and the roles and growing political demands of African Americans.
6. Describe major developments in aviation, weaponry, communication, and medicine and the war's impact on the location of American industry and use of resources.
7. Discuss the decision to drop atomic bombs and the consequences of the decision (Hiroshima and Nagasaki).
8. Discuss the implications of the worldwide access to nuclear weapons technology.
9. Analyze the effect of massive aid given to Western Europe under the Marshall Plan to rebuild itself after the war and the importance of a rebuilt Europe to the U. S. economy.

Unit 8. The Cold War (3 weeks)

11.8 Students analyze the economic boom and social transformation of post World War II America.

1. Trace the growth of service sector, white collar, and professional sector jobs in business and government.
2. Describe the significance of Mexican immigration and its relationship to the agricultural economy, especially in California.
3. Examine Truman's labor policy and congressional reaction to it.
4. Analyze new federal government spending on defense, welfare, interest on the national debt,
and federal and state spending on education, including the California Master Plan.
5. Describe the increased powers of the presidency in response to the Great Depression, World War II, and the Cold War.
6. Discuss the diverse environmental regions of North America, their relationship to local economies, and the origins and prospects of environmental problems in those regions.
7. Describe the effects on society and the economy of technological developments since 1945, including the computer revolution, changes in communication, advances in medicine, and improvements in agricultural technology.
8. Discuss forms of popular culture, with emphasis on their origins and geographic diffusion (e.g., jazz and other forms of popular music, professional sports, architectural and artistic styles).

Unit 9. Global Relations in the Post War Era (4 weeks)
11.9 Students analyze U. S. foreign policy since World War II.
1. Discuss the establishment of the United Nations and International Declaration of Human Rights, International Monetary Fund, World Bank, and General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and their importance in shaping modern Europe and maintaining peace and international order.
2. Understand the role of military alliances, including NATO and SEATO, in deterring communist aggression and maintaining security during the Cold War.
3. Trace the origins and geopolitical consequences (foreign and domestic) of the Cold War and containment policy, including the following:
   a. The era of McCarthyism, instances of domestic Communism (e.g., Alger Hiss) and blacklisting
   b. The Truman Doctrine
   c. The Berlin Blockade
   d. The Korean War
   e. The Bay of Pigs invasion and the Cuban Missile Crisis
   f. The Vietnam War
   g. Latin American policy
   h. Atomic testing in the American West, the "mutual assured destruction" doctrine, and disarmament policies
4. List the effects of foreign policy on domestic policies and vice versa (e.g., protests during the war in Vietnam, the "nuclear freeze" movement).
5. Analyze the role of the Reagan administration and other factors in the victory of the West in the Cold War.
6. Describe U. S. Middle East policy and its strategic, political, and economic interests, including those related to the Gulf War.
7. Examine relations between the United States and Mexico in the twentieth century, including key economic, political, immigration, and environmental issues.

Unit 10. Civil Rights (3 weeks)
11.10 Students analyze the development of federal civil rights and voting rights.
1. Explain how demands of African Americans helped produce a stimulus for civil rights, including President Roosevelt's ban on racial discrimination in defense industries in 1941, and how African Americans' service in World War II produced a stimulus for President Truman's decision to end segregation in the armed forces in 1948.
2. Examine and analyze the key events, policies, and court cases in the evolution of civil rights, including Dred Scott v. Sandford, Plessy v. Ferguson, Brown v. Board of Education, Regents of the University of California,
3. Describe the collaboration on legal strategy between African American and white civil rights lawyers to end racial segregation in higher education.
4. Examine the roles of civil rights advocates (e.g., A. Philip Randolph, Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcom X, Thurgood Marshall, James Farmer, Rosa Parks), including the significance of Martin Luther King Jr's "Letter from Birmingham Jail" and "I Have a Dream" speech.
6. Discuss the diffusion of the civil rights movement of African Americans from the churches of the rural South and the urban North, including the resistance to racial desegregation in Little Rock and Birmingham, and how the advances influenced the agendas, strategies, and effectiveness of the quests of American Indians, Asian Americans, and Hispanic Americans for civil rights and equal opportunities.

7. Analyze the passage and effects of civil rights and voting rights legislation (e.g., 1964 Civil Rights Act, Voting Rights Act of 1965) and the Twenty-Fourth Amendment, with an emphasis on equality of access to education and to the political process.

8. Analyze the women's rights movement from the era of Elizabeth Stanton and Susan B. Anthony and the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the movement launched in the 1960s, including differing perspectives on the roles of women.

Unit 11. Changing Society (3 weeks)

11.11 Students analyze the major social problems and domestic policy issues in contemporary American society.

1. Discuss the reasons for the nation's changing immigration policy, with emphasis on how the Immigration Act of 1965 and successor acts have transformed American society.

2. Discuss the significant domestic policy speeches of Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Carter, Reagan, Bush, and Clinton (e.g., with regard to education, civil rights, economic policy, environmental policy).

3. Describe the changing roles of women in society as reflected in the entry of more women into the labor force and the changing family structure.

4. Explain the constitutional crisis originating from the Watergate scandal.

5. Trace the impact of, need for, and controversies associated with environmental conservation, expansion of the national park system, and the development of environmental protection laws, with particular attention to the interaction between environmental protection advocates and property rights advocates.

6. Analyze the persistence of poverty and how different analyses of this issue influence welfare reform, health insurance reform, and other social policies.

7. Explain how the federal, state, and local governments have responded to demographic and social changes such as population shifts to the suburbs, racial concentrations in the cities, frostbelt-to-sunbelt migration, international migration, decline of family farms, increases in out-of-wedlock births, and drug abuse.

8. Construct a Wiki or other internet-based resource examining the history of the economic, political, sociological, and cultural relationship of the United States and a selected country.

THIS COURSE WILL PREPARE STUDENTS FOR THE CAHSEE AND/OR CST’S:
Writing, Reading, Language Arts, and Social Science

LAB FEE, IF REQUIRED:
None

SUBJECT AREA CONTENT STANDARDS TO BE ADDRESSED:
See “Detailed Units of Instruction”

DISTRICT ESLRs TO BE ADDRESSED:

- **Self-Directed Learners:** This course prepares students to be self-directed learners as they pursue mastering major concepts in both foreign and domestic policy, as well as economic, artistic and social developments.

- **Effective Communicators:** Students will become effective communicators as they develop critical thinking skills in reading, historical inquiry, oral presentation and historical quotations.

- **Quality Producer/Performers:** Students will initiate projects, set quality standards, and adapt to changing conditions.
• **Constructive Thinkers:** Students will critically analyze important historical events and resulting societal changes.

• **Collaborative Workers:** This course will help students develop an appreciation for the depth and diversity of the values and experiences required to be a collaborative worker in our nation and the world.

• **Responsible Citizens:** This course will help prepare students to identify issues that require social action, show a commitment to accept social responsibilities associated with citizenship, and to be participatory and responsible citizens in our democratic society.