

Course Overview	AP U.S. History (APUSH) is a college-level course that explores the development of the United States from pre-Columbian societies to the present. It emphasizes historical thinking skills such as sourcing, contextualization, and making evidence-based arguments. Students analyze primary and secondary sources to understand political, social, economic, and cultural changes over time. The course prepares students for the AP exam, which includes multiple-choice questions, short-answer responses, a document-based question (DBQ), and a long essay question (LEQ).
Course Standards	<u>COURSE AND EXAM DESCRIPTION:</u>
Instructional Materials	Required Textbook: America's History for AP, 10 th ed. + Sources of America's History vol 1 & 2 Required Guide: AMSCO: US History 2020 ed. Optional: Strive For a 5 Guide for Americas History, 10 th ed.

Units/Modules & Instructional Days	Assessments & Scanning Deadlines	Standards
Unit 1+2: Period 1 + 2 Instructional Days: 24 ¹	Scanning Deadline: September 30, 2026 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_F26_UE1and2	AP Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1: Learning Objectives A-G (indigenous societies, early encounters, and Columbian Exchange) Unit 2: Learning Objectives A-J (colonization, regional development, and Atlantic systems). TEKS Alignment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process Standards: US.28(A-F), US.29(A-C); US.30(A-B), US.31(B) Focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development and diversity of Indigenous societies prior to European contact Causes and consequences of European exploration and the Columbian Exchange Establishment and regional variation of colonial societies Cultural interactions, conflict, and adaptation among Indigenous, European, and African groups
Unit 3: Period 3 Instructional Days: 17	Scanning Deadline: October 22, 2026 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_F26_UE3	AP Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3: Learning Objectives A–P (imperial crisis, American Revolution, Constitution, and the new republic) Unit 4: Learning Objectives B–C (early republic policy debates and regional interests) TEKS Alignment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celebrate Freedom Week: US.1(A–C) Supporting standards: US.2(B), 20(A), 22(B), 31(A) Focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Causes and consequences of the imperial crisis and the American Revolution Philosophical foundations of independence and constitutional government

¹ Instructional day counts include the day of the exam. Ex: Unit 1-2 have 23 lessons + 1 tests for a total of 24

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ratification debates and the structure of the new federal government • Emergence of political parties and policy debates, 1789–1800
Unit 4: Period 4 Instructional Days: 15	Scanning Deadline: November 12, 2026 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_F26_UE4	AP Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 4: Learning Objectives A–N (Jeffersonian era, market revolution, expanding democracy, and reform) • Unit 5: Learning Objectives B, E, F (Manifest Destiny and sectional differences) TEKS Alignment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new TEKS introduced; EOC-aligned content begins in Unit 6 Focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political parties and the era of Jefferson • The market revolution's economic, social, and cultural transformations • Expanding democracy and Jacksonian federal power • Reform movements, American culture, and African Americans in the early republic
Unit 5: Period 5 Instructional Days: 10	Scanning Deadline: December 3, 2026 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_F26_UE5	AP Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 5: Learning Objectives A–M (Manifest Destiny, sectional crisis, Civil War, and Reconstruction) • Unit 6: Learning Objective C (the “New South”) TEKS Alignment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new TEKS introduced; EOC-aligned content begins in Unit 6 Focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manifest Destiny, the Mexican–American War, and their consequences • Failure of compromise and the election of 1860 • Military conflict and government policies during the Civil War • Reconstruction and its failure
Unit 6: Period 6: Gilded Age Instructional Days: 10	Scanning Deadline: December 17, 2026 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_F26_UE6	AP Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 6: Learning Objectives A–F, K, L (westward expansion, industrial capitalism, and Gilded Age politics) TEKS Alignment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gilded Age: US.3(A–C), 5(B), 15(A–C), 23(A), 25(B), 26(A) • Geography and demography: US.2(A), 13(A–B), 14(A) Focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Westward expansion and its consequences for Native peoples • Rise of industrial capitalism, labor, and the “New South” • Immigration, migration, and urbanization • Controversies over the role of government in the Gilded Age
Semester Exam: December 7-18, 2026 Scanning Deadline: January 8 , 2027		
Unit 7A: Progressive Era – World War I	Scanning Deadline: January 21, 2027 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_S27_UE71	AP Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 6: Learning Objectives G–K (Gilded Age society, reform, and politics)

Instructional Days: 8		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 7: Learning Objectives A–H (imperialism, the Progressive Era, and World War I) <p>TEKS Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progressive Era: US.5(A–C), 6(A), 9(A), 14(B), 15(B), 18(B), 20(B), 21(A), 22(B), 22(D), 25(A) Imperialism and World War I: US.2(B), 4(A–F), 15(C–D), 21(B), 23(B) <p>Focus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debates over American imperialism and the Spanish–American War Progressive reforms and constitutional amendments World War I: military, diplomacy, and the home front
Unit 7B: 1920s–World War 2 Instructional Days: 14	Scanning Deadline: February 11, 2027 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_S27_UE72	<p>AP Standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 7: Learning Objectives I–O (the 1920s, Great Depression, New Deal, and World War II) Unit 8: Learning Objective B (Cold War origins) <p>TEKS Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1920s: US.5(A), 6(A–B), 15(C), 16(A), 18(C), 24(A–B), 26(C) Great Depression and New Deal: US.2(B), 12, 16(B–E), 18(A), 19(B) World War II: US.7(A–G), 15(D), 17(A), 25(D) <p>Focus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1920s innovation and cultural and political controversies Causes of the Great Depression and the New Deal response World War II mobilization, military campaigns, and the home front
<p align="center">Internal Assessment HOU + PB Feb 26-March 3, 2027 SA: March 1-5, 2027 AUS, EP, RGV, TACO: March 5 -March 11, 2027</p>		
Unit 8: Cold War Era (1945-1980) Instructional Days 22	Scanning Deadline: March 24, 2027 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_S27_UE8 ²	<p>AP Standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 8: Learning Objectives A, C–Q (Cold War, postwar society, civil rights, and the 1970s) <p>TEKS Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cold War and postwar America: US.1(A–C), 2(B), 8(A–F), 17(B–C), 19(A), 20(A), 22(C), 23(B), 24(C), 26(B), 27(A) Civil rights movement: US.9(A–J), 17(D), 22(A–B), 23(A) <p>Focus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cold War containment from Truman through Vietnam Postwar prosperity, society, and culture The civil rights movement and expanding participation Policy debates and society in transition, 1968–1980
<p align="center">AP Mock Exam Window: March 22-April 2, 2027/ Scanning Deadline: April 8, 2027</p>		

² Guidance: If you are in the Rio Grande Valley, Austin, Brownsville, El Paso, Tarrant County the Unit 8 exam should be administered no later than March 11, 2026. San Antonio, Houston, and Permian Basin the Unit 8 exam should be administered later than March 18, 2026.

Unit 9: Cold War – Present Instructional Days: 15 ³	Scanning Deadline: April 15, 2027 Test Name: TX_SS_APUSHHistory_S27_UE9	<p><u>AP Standards</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 9: Learning Objectives A–G (Reagan era through the 21st century) <p><u>TEKS Alignment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1980–present: US.2(B), 10(A–E), 11(A–D), 12, 14(B), 17(D–E), 18(C–D), 19(B), 23(A), 24(C), 25(C), 26(C), 27(B) <p><u>Focus</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reagan, conservatism, and the end of the Cold War Economic and technological change; migration and immigration Domestic and international challenges of the 21st century
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³ These days overlap with the Mock Exam window. Plan to administer the mock exam and the Unit 9 exam between Spring Break and April 9, 2027