US Government & Economics Syllabus Fall 2021

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What is this class about?

US Government & Economics is a two part course. The first half of the course will explore the structure and systems of the United State Government, focusing on laws that directly affect you and how you can directly affect the laws of the United States. This class will seek to explore how citizens, both individually and collectively have power within the United States Government.

Units of Study 1. Foundations of American Democracy 2. Rights and Responsibilities 3. Civic Participation and Public Policy

Class Expectations

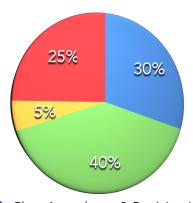
Class Attendance & Participation: You are expected to attend the class each day on time. Your attendance to class is 5% of your overall grade and participation in class is 25% of your overall grade. You are expected to participate in discussions either orally or by submitting written answers by the end of class. Disrupting the class, irrelevant discussions, or refusal to contribute to the class will result in loss of daily participation credit.

Assignments: Assignments will vary by unit and topic. Some will be collaborative with peers and others done individually. Assignments are expected to be completed daily and if they are not finished, you are expected to complete them outside of class time.

Projects, Essays & Quizzes: During the course of the semester, students will complete a number of projects or essays related to different big questions and controversies in American Law & Government. These will be completed as individual projects unless otherwise assigned. Each unit will have at least 1 quiz to check for understanding for the learning objectives for the class.

Homework: Per school policy, you will have homework Monday-Thursday. It will count for 5% of your grade.





- Class Attendance & Participation (30%)
- Assignments (40%)
- Homework (10%)
- Projects, Essays, Quizzes (25%)

Learning Objectives:

- Understand the Evolution of American Democracy.
- Understand what rights and responsibilities do citizens of the US have
- Understand how have the rights of US Citizens changed over time.
- Understand how citizens can affect their government.
- Understand the power of citizens within the United States