

AP Government

Scope and Sequence 2023 - 2024

Course Description: The United States Government Advanced Placement course is designed to provide students with an analytical perspective on government and politics in the United States. This course involves both the study of general concepts used to interpret U.S. politics and the analysis of specific case studies. Students will also engage in an in-depth study of the various institutions, groups, beliefs and ideas that constitute the U.S. political system. Students are guided to use specific information critically to evaluate general propositions about government and politics, as well as to present basic data relevant to government and politics in sustained written arguments. This course of study is the equivalent of a college introductory course and is available to seniors interested in taking the Advanced Placement examination in U.S. Government.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills: AP Government

Instructional Units	Days**	
First Semester	74	End Date
1 st Grading Period	37	10/20/2023
Supportive Learning Environment (SLE)	3	08/30/2023
Unit 1: Foundation of American Democracy	13	09/19/2023
Unit 2: Interactions Among Branches of Government	17	10/13/2023
College Financial Planning (First Semester Only)	2	10/18/2023
Unit 2: Interactions Among Branches of Government	2	10/20/2023
*2 nd Grading Period	37	12/21/2023
Unit 3: Civil Liberties and Civil Rights	13	11/10/2023
Unit 4: American Political Ideologies and Beliefs	10	12/01/2023
Civilian Interaction Training (SB30)	1	12/04/2023
Unit 5: Political Participation	13	12/21/2023

Instructional Units	Days**	
Second Semester	94	End Date
3 rd Grading Period	42	03/08/2024
Supportive Learning Environment (SLE)	1	01/08/2024
Unit 1: Foundation of American Democracy	14	01/29/2024
Unit 2: Interactions Among Branches of Government	20	02/28/2024
Unit 3: Civil Liberties and Civil Rights	7	03/08/2024
*4 th Grading Period	52	05/31/2024
Unit 3: Civil Liberties and Civil Rights	5	03/22/2024
Unit 4: American Political Ideologies and Beliefs	10	04/08/2024
Civilian Interaction Training (SB30)	1	04/09/2024
Unit 5: Political Participation	11	04/25/2024
Review for AP Test	5	05/02/2024
AP Test	1	05/03/2024
Culminating Projects	19	05/31/2024

* Includes time for Final Exams.

**The length of each unit is a specific number of days, but it is understood that there is a range of +/- a day. The purpose of the flexibility is meant to allow teachers the opportunity to plan for the needs of their students and to accommodate re-teaching or review when necessary. If pre-assessment indicates student mastery could be obtained in a fewer number of days, the additional time could be used for extension or carried into the next unit.

Instructional Material(s):

We The People, W.W. Norton and Company, Inc., 2013