

SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

SOCIAL SCIENCE 1

This year long course is required of all freshmen and is designed to teach study skills while providing an introduction to the physical, political, social, culture and economic aspects of world geography.

WORLD HISTORY

This is a two-semester course required of all sophomores. This course will provide a survey of World History with an emphasis on geography and western civilization in the 20th century according to California state content standards.

UNITED STATES (U.S.) HISTORY

This two-semester course is required of all juniors. This course is a survey of the economics, political, social, and cultural history of the United States from 1900 to the present. The problems and solutions of the developing nation will be discussed, as well as America's role and influence in the world in the 19th and 20th centuries.

UNITED STATES (U.S.) HISTORY (AP)

Prerequisite: A grade of "A" or "B" in Social Science 2 and English 2A or 2B and a recommendation of AP U.S. History teacher.

This course is a college-level study of American history from colonial to present-day America. Students will have extensive college-level reading, discussions, and writing projects. All students are required to participate in the AP examination in May.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT/ECONOMICS

American Government: A one-semester course requirement for all seniors, including a study of federal, state, and local governments and the problems, advantages and responsibilities of a democratic society.

Economics: A one-semester course requirement for all seniors, designed to focus on Economics as a social science and will include both theoretical and analytical as well as a practical approach to presenting economic concepts and proposed solutions.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT / ECONOMICS (AP)

Prerequisite: Recommendation of US History and A-level English teachers

An in-depth study of selected topics in political science to include such things as voter behavior, political philosophy, foreign policy, state politics, current problems, and economics. Extensive research skills, oral presentations, problem solving, and discussion approach will be emphasized. This course meets American Government and Economics graduation requirements for seniors. 1st Semester: Focus on AP Government and the Advanced Placement test in May. 2nd Semester: Focus on Economics and Foreign Policy.

