



Reavis High School
Curriculum Snapshot/Cover Page for AP US History



Unit 1
1491-1607
Early American Settlement

(10 day unit)
Unit 1 Focus:
On a North American continent controlled by American Indians, contact among the peoples of Europe, the Americas, and West Africa created a new world.



Unit 2
1607-1754
Colonial America

(13 Day Unit)
Unit 2 Focus:
Europeans and American Indians maneuvered and fought for dominance, control, and security in North America, and distinctive colonial and native societies emerged.



Unit 3
1754-1800
New Nation

(15 day unit)

Unit 3 Focus:

British Imperial attempts to reassert control over its colonies and the colonial reaction to these attempts produced a new American republic, along with struggles over the new nation's social, political, and economic identity.



Unit 4
1800-1848
Nationalism, Democracy, Expansion and Reform

(20 day unit)

Unit 4 Focus:

The new republic struggled to define and extend democratic ideals in the face of rapid economic, territorial, and demographic changes.



Unit 5
1844-1877
Sectionalism, Civil War and Reconstruction

(20 Day unit)

Unit 5 Focus:

As the nation expanded and the population grew, regional tensions, especially over slavery, led to a civil war - the course and aftermath of which transformed American society.



End of Fall Semester

Unit 6

1865-1898

Industrialization, Urbanization, Agricultural Revolution and Westward Expansion

(15 day unit)

Unit 6 Focus:

The transformation of the United States from an agricultural society to an increasingly industrialized and urbanized society brought about significant economic, political, diplomatic, social, environmental and cultural changes.



Unit 7

1890-1945

Era of Reform and America on the World Stage

(21 day unit)

Unit 7 Focus:

An increasingly pluralistic United States faced profound domestic & global challenges, debated the proper degree of government activism and sought to define its international role.



Unit 8

1945-1980

The Cold War and Battle for Civil Rights

(15 days)

Unit 8 Focus:

After WWII, the United States grappled with prosperity and unfamiliar international responsibilities while struggling to live up to its ideals.



Unit 9
1980-present
Age of Technology and Terrorism

(7 day unit)

Unit 9 Focus:

As the United States transitioned to a new century filled with challenges and possibilities, it experienced renewed ideological and cultural debates, sought to redefine its foreign policy, and adapted to economic globalization and revolutionary changes in science and technology.

End of Spring Semester and full year Course