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### MASTER COURSE OUTLINE

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**COURSE TITLE** HS21 United States Constitution and Government

#### **GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION**

Dept.: HSC	Course Num: 030	(Formerly:)
CIP Code: 32.0240	Intent Code: 12	Program Code: N/A
Credits: 0.5-1		
Total Contact Hrs Per Qtr.: 55		
Lecture Hrs: 55	Lab Hrs: 0	Other Hrs:
Distribution Designation:		

# COURSE DESCRIPTION (as it will appear in the catalog)

A brief survey of United States Constitution and Government. The content will examine the pathway to the US Constitution and the development of the federal government. High School completion credit only.

#### PREREQUISITES

Students must be enrolled in a Basic Skills class and have taken the CASAS pre-test

#### **TEXTBOOK GUIDELINES**

Instructional materials as determined by the instructor

#### **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to demonstrate the following knowledge or skills:

- Discuss historical documents and speeches
- Identify events related to the American Revolution
- Analyze the US governmental structure, branches of government, and process
- Analyze and provide examples of how the U.S. Constitution relates to present life
- Describe the process by which laws are created and determined to be constitutional
- Explain voter registration, party affiliation, electoral college and popular vote

#### INSTITUTIONAL OUTCOMES

None

#### **COURSE CONTENT OUTLINE**

- American Revolution
- Declaration of Independence and the Articles of Confederation
- US Constitution
- Branches of government and separation of powers
- Identify current President, Vice-President, Chief Justice, Speaker of the House, local US Senators and local US Representative

• Political parties and elections

# DEPARTMENTAL GUIDELINES

This course will satisfy one high school US History credit for HS21. Independent study may be approved by instructor on a topic related to US Constitution or government.

College and Career Readiness Standards (CCRS) for BEdA Program: Instruction is aligned to the following CCR Standards:

D-E in Reading based on the CCRS Anchors:

- 1 (Read closely to determine what the test says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it),
- 2 (Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas),
- 3 (Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text),
- 4 (Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone),
- 5 (Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text [e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza] relate to each other and the whole,
- 6 (Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text),
- 7 (Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words),
- 8 (Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence),
- 9 (Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take, and
- 10 (Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently).
- D-E in Writing based on the CCRS Anchors:
- 1 (Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence),
- 2 (Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content),
- 3 (Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, wellchosen details and well-structured event sequences),
- 4 (Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience),
- 5 (Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach),
- 6 (Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others),
- 7 (Conduct short as well more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation),
- 8 (Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism), and
- 9 (Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research). B in Math based on the CCRS Anchors:
- 1 (Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them)
- 2 (Reason abstractly and quantitatively)
- 3 (Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others)
- 4 (Model with mathematics)
- 5 (Use appropriate tools strategically)
- 6 (Attend to precision)
- 7 (Look for and make use of structure)
- 8 (Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning)