

COURSE TITLE: 1818 American History
COURSE LENGTH: 1 year
COURSE CREDIT: 1 high school credit;
6 hours college credit through SLU

COURSE TYPE: elective
(fulfills American History requirement)
GRADE LEVEL: 11, 12
PREREQUISITE: GPA of 3.3 or better;
B average or better in Social Studies

COURSE GOALS:

1. Students will earn six hours of college credit through St. Louis University.
 2. Students will identify various themes of continuity and change in the social, economic, and political history of the United States.
 3. Students will describe the interdependency among the nations of the world.
 4. Students will explain the importance of geography in the history of the United States.
 5. Students will use the tools of social science inquiry in producing research papers and projects relating to the history of United States.
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COURSE CONTENT:

1. Pre-Columbian era
2. English, French, and Spanish goals and achievements in colonization
3. Colonial development by colonial section
4. Impact of religion in Early America
5. Fighting the American Revolution
6. Republicanism, democracy, and party politics
7. Nationalism and expansionism
8. Slavery, sectionalism, and the Civil War
9. Reconstructing the United States
10. Conquering the American West
11. Industrialism, development of urban societies and politics
12. Imperialism and Progressivism
13. World War I and the Second Industrial Revolution
14. FDR, the New Deal and World War II
15. The Cold War, 1950s and the turbulent 1960s
16. Crisis of Democracy: Nixon and Watergate
17. Détente and the Reagan Years
18. Current events in American history

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