

**HINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT**

GRADE 11 UNITED STATES HISTORY LEVELS

Eleventh grade United States History is a required course at Hingham High School. The table below outlines key differences between the levels of this course.

| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Levels 3 & 4 |
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| Course Title | A.P. U.S. History | American Studies / U.S. History | American Studies / U.S. History |
| Content & Pacing | Pre-Columbian – Present <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rigorous pacing following College Board framework • Course content complete by early May for A.P. Exam | 1492 – Present <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course content through June | 1877 – Present <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course content through June • Review of Constitution and key concepts from U.S. History to 1877 |
| Textbook | <i>The Enduring Vision – A.P. Edition</i> , Houghton Mifflin, 2018 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Placement version of college-level textbook | <i>The American Pageant</i> Cengage, 2016 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College-level textbook | <i>The Americans</i> , Holt McDougal, 2012 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High school-level textbook |
| Research Paper | Independent project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8-10 pages • Completed during first semester | Independent project with support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-8 pages • Completed in lieu of midyear exam | Scaffolded project with support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5-7 pages • Completed in lieu of midyear exam |
| Reading & Writing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large amount of outside reading beyond the textbook • Frequent in-class and out-of-class Document-Based Question essays during the year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some outside reading beyond the textbook • Minimum of three Document-Based Question essays during the year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occasional outside reading beyond the textbook • Minimum of two Document-Based Question essays during the year |
| Additional Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A.P. Exam • Summer Reading assignment • Traditional midyear exam • Final Project completed in June after A.P. Exam | n/a | n/a |