

**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
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, 2008 <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