**APUSH Course Themes**

**American and National Identity (NAT)**

**NAT-1.0** Explain how ideas about democracy, freedom, and individualism found expression in the development

**NAT-2.0** Explain how interpretations of the Constitution and debates over rights, liberties, and definitions of citizenship have affected American values, politics, and society.

**NAT-3.0** Analyze how ideas about national identity changed in response to US involvement in international conflicts and the growth of the US.

**NAT-4.0** Analyze relationships among different regional, social, ethnic, and racial groups, and explain how these groups’ experiences have related to U.S. national identity.

**Politics and Power (POL)**

**POL-1.0** Explain how and why political ideas, beliefs, institutions, party systems, and alignments have developed and changed.

**POL-2.0** Explain how popular movements, reform efforts, and activist groups have sought to change American society and institutions.

**POL-3.0** Explain how different beliefs about the federal government’s role in U.S. social and economic life have affected political debates and policies.

**Work, Exchange, and Technology (WXT)**

**WXT-1.0** Explain how different labor systems developed in North America and the United States, and explain their effects on workers’ lives and U.S. society.

**WXT-2.0** Explain how patterns of exchange, markets, and private enterprise have developed, and analyze ways that governments have responded to economic issues.

**WXT-3.0** Analyze how technological innovation has affected economic development and society.

**Culture and Society (CUL)**

**CUL-1.0** Explain how religious groups and ideas have affected American society and political life.

**CUL-2.0** Explain how artistic, philosophical, and scientific ideas have developed and shaped society and institutions.

**CUL-3.0** Explain how ideas about women’s rights and gender roles have affected society and politics.

**CUL-4.0** Explain how different group identities, including racial, ethnic, class, and regional identities, have emerged and changed over time.

**Migration and Settlement (MIG)**

**MIG-1.0** Explain the causes of migration to colonial North America and, later, the US, and analyze immigration’s effects on US society.

**MIG-2.0** Analyze causes of internal migration and patterns of settlement in what would become the US, and explain how migration has affected American life.

**Geography and the Environment (GEO)**

**GEO-1.0** Explain how geographic and environmental factors shaped the development of various communities, and analyze how competition for and debates over natural resources have affected both interactions among different groups and the development of government practices.

**America in the World (WOR)**

**WOR-1.0** Explain how cultural interaction, cooperation, competition, and conflict between empires, nations, and peoples have influenced political, economic, and social developments in North America.

**WOR-2.0** Analyze the reasons for and results of U.S. diplomatic, economic, and military initiatives in North America and overseas.