

APSI 2021 – U.S. Government and Politics

Objectives

After attending this workshop, you will be able to:

- Align your instruction with the goals of the AP course.
- Identify the skills and knowledge that the exam will assess, and identify the tasks and materials for which students might need more preparation.
- Draft a syllabus that meets the curricular requirements for the course.
- Make equitable access a guiding principle in designing instruction.

Topics for the week will include the following:

- Introductions and Expectations
- Equity and Access in AP
- Exploring the New Curriculum Framework
- The Course Audit
- Developing a Syllabus
- The Exam
- Discussion of the New Rubrics
- Teaching the Free Response Questions
- Developing Writing Skills
- Development of Disciplinary Practice and Reasoning Skills
- Use of Primary Sources
- Interactive Classroom Activities
- Demonstrating How to Retool Legacy Lessons
- Review Strategies
- Teacher Resources
- Participant Sharing of Best Practices
- Evaluations and Certificates



Day 1 (AM)

Focus:

Agenda Item	Materials
	College Board Workshop Handbook and Resources
College Board and AP – Equity and Access	Course and Exam Description
Legacy Exam v. Redesign	Course and Exam Description
Course Framework – Disciplinary Practices	Course and Exam Description
Course Framework – Enduring Understandings and Learning Objectives	Course and Exam Description

Day 1 (PM)

Agenda Item	Materials
	Supplemental materials prepared by consultant Best practice sharing
Question	Workshop Handbook Sample Student Responses Best practice sharing



Day 2 (AM)

Focus:

Agenda Item	Materials
Planning the Course	Course and Exam Description
Instructional Approaches	Workshop Handbook
Analyzing Quantitative Data	Workshop Handbook
Analyzing and Interpreting Visuals	Workshop Handbook

Day 2 (PM)

Agenda Item	Materials
Units 4 & 5 Activities and Resources	Supplemental materials prepared by consultant Best practice sharing
Scoring the Quantitative Analysis Free Response Question	Workshop Handbook Sample Student Responses Best practice sharing



Day 3 (AM)

Focus:

Agenda Item	Materials
	Course and Exam Description Sample Syllabi, Course Planning and Pacing Guides, Syllabus Development Guide
Multiple Choice Questions	Course and Exam Description
Formative and Summative Exams	Practice Exam
Analyzing Supreme Court Cases	Workshop Handbook

Day 3 (PM)

Agenda Item	Materials
	Supplemental materials prepared by consultant Best practice sharing
Question	Workshop Handbook Sample Student Responses Best practice sharing



Day 4 (AM)

Focus:

Agenda Item	Materials
	Workshop Handbook Best practice sharing
Applied Civics Project	Course and Exam Description
	Workshop Handbook Sample Student Responses Best practice sharing

Day 4 (PM)

Agenda Item	Materials
Unit 3 Activities and Resources	Supplemental materials prepared by consultant
	Best practice sharing
Collaborative time/Syllabus Development	Best practice sharing
AP Teacher Community	Best practice sharing
APSI Reflection and Evaluation	

