

AP[®] European History

Your Course at a Glance

Plan

The Course at a Glance provides a useful visual organization of the AP European History curricular components, including:

- Sequence of units, along with approximate weighting and suggested pacing. Please note, pacing is based on 45-minute class periods, meeting five days each week for a full academic year.
- Progression of topics within each unit.
- Spiraling of the themes and historical thinking skills across units.

Teach

HISTORICAL THINKING SKILLS

Historical thinking skills spiral across units.

- 1

Developments and Processes
- 2

Sourcing and Situation
- 3

Claims and Evidence in Sources
- 4

Contextualization
- 5

Making Connections
- 6

Argumentation

THEMES

Themes spiral across units.

- INT

Interaction of Europe and the World
- ECD

Economic and Commercial Developments
- CID

Cultural and Intellectual Developments
- SOP

States and Other Institutions of Power
- SCD

Social Organization and Development
- NEI

National and European Identity
- TSI

Technological and Scientific Innovation

Assess

Assign the Personal Progress Checks—either as homework or in class—for each unit. Each Personal Progress Check contains formative multiple-choice and free-response questions. The feedback from the Personal Progress Checks shows students the areas where they need to focus.

UNIT 1

Renaissance and Exploration

c. 1450 – c. 1648

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

1.1 Contextualizing Renaissance and Discovery

CID

1

1.2 Italian Renaissance

CID

5

1.3 Northern Renaissance

TSI

1

1.4 Printing

SOP

1

1.5 New Monarchies

TSI

INT

3

1.6 Technological Advances and the Age of Exploration

ECD

3

1.7 Rivals on the World Stage

ECD

INT

3

1.8 Colonial Expansion and Columbian Exchange

INT

4

1.9 The Slave Trade

ECD

SCD

3

1.10 The Commercial Revolution

6

1.11 Causation in the Renaissance and Age of Discovery

Personal Progress Check 1

Multiple-choice: ~20 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Primary source (partial)

• Primary source (partial)

Free-response: 1 question

• Long essay (partial)

UNIT 2

Age of Reformation

c. 1450 – c. 1648

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

2.1 Contextualizing 16th- and 17th-Century Challenges and Developments

CID

3

2.2 Luther and the Protestant Reformation

CID

1

2.3 Protestant Reform Continues

SOP

6

2.4 Wars of Religion

CID

2

2.5 The Catholic Reformation

SCD

3

2.6 16th-Century Society and Politics

ECD

5

2.7 Art of the 16th Century: Mannerism and Baroque Art

6

2.8 Causation in the Age of Reformation and the Wars of Religion

Personal Progress Check 2

Multiple-choice: ~15 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Primary source

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Long essay (partial)

UNIT 3

Absolutism and Constitutionalism

c. 1648 – c. 1815

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

3.1 Contextualizing State Building

SOP

1

3.2 The English Civil War and the Glorious Revolution

ECD

3

3.3 Continuities and Changes to Economic Practice and Development

ECD

1

3.4 Economic Development and Mercantilism

SOP

2

3.5 The Dutch Golden Age

SOP

TSI

3

3.6 Balance of Power

SOP

5

3.7 Absolutist Approaches to Power

6

3.8 Comparison in the Age of Absolutism and Constitutionalism

Personal Progress Check 3

Multiple-choice: ~20 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Primary source

• Secondary source

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Long essay (partial)

UNIT 4

Scientific, Philosophical, and Political Developments

c. 1648 – c. 1815

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

4.1 Contextualizing the Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment

TSI

3

4.2 The Scientific Revolution

SCD

CID

5

4.3 The Enlightenment

SCD

2

4.4 18th-Century Society and Demographics

CID

4

4.5 18th-Century Culture and Arts

SOP

NEI

5

4.6 Enlightened and Other Approaches to Power

NEI

2

4.7 Causation in the Age of the Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment

6

Personal Progress Check 4

Multiple-choice: ~15 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Primary source

• Secondary source

• No stimulus

Free-response: 1 question

• Long essay (partial)

UNIT 5

Conflict, Crisis, and Reaction in the Late 18th Century

c. 1648 – c. 1815

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

2

5.1 Contextualizing 18th-Century States

ECD

1

5.2 The Rise of Global Markets

SOP

3

5.3 Britain's Ascendancy

SOP

3

5.4 The French Revolution

SCD

6

5.5 The French Revolution's Effects

SOP

NEI

5

5.6 Napoleon's Rise, Dominance, and Defeat

SOP

3

5.7 The Congress of Vienna

CID

4

5.8 Romanticism

5

5.9 Continuity and Change in 18th-Century States

Personal Progress Check 5

Multiple-choice: ~20 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Secondary source

• No stimulus

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Document-based (partial)

UNIT 6

Industrialization and Its Effects

c. 1815 – c. 1914

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

6.1 Contextualizing Industrialization and Its Origins and Effects

ECD

1

6.2 The Spread of Industry Throughout Europe

TSI

ECD

5

6.3 Second Wave Industrialization and Its Effects

SCD

3

6.4 Social Effects of Industrialization

SOP

5

6.5 The Concert of Europe and European Conservatism

SOP

6

6.6 Reactions and Revolutions

CID

2

6.7 Ideologies of Change and Reform Movements

SCD

2

6.8 19th-Century Social Reform

SOP

4

6.9 Institutional Responses and Reform

5

6.10 Causation in the Age of Industrialization

Personal Progress Check 6

Multiple-choice: ~25 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• No stimulus

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Document-based (partial)

UNIT 7

19th-Century Perspectives and Political Developments

c. 1815 – c. 1914

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

7.1 Contextualizing 19th-Century Perspectives and Political Developments

NEI

5

7.2 Nationalism

NEI

SOP

2

7.3 National Unification and Diplomatic Tensions

TSI

3

7.4 Darwinism, Social Darwinism

TSI

5

7.5 The Age of Progress and Modernity

INT

TSI

8

7.6 New Imperialism: Motivations and Methods

INT

5

7.7 Imperialism's Global Effects

CID

2

7.8 19th-Century Culture and Arts

1

7.9 Causation in 19th-Century Perspectives and Political Developments

Personal Progress Check 7

Multiple-choice: ~20 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Secondary source

• No stimulus

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Document-based

UNIT 8

20th-Century Global Conflicts

c. 1914 – present

~15

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

5

8.1 Contextualizing 20th-Century Global Conflicts

SOP

TSI

INT

4

8.2 World War I

SOP

1

8.3 The Russian Revolution and Its Effects

SOP

3

8.4 Versailles Conference and Peace Settlement

ECD

3

8.5 Global Economic Crisis

SOP

ECD

2

8.6 Fascism and Totalitarianism

SOP

5

8.7 Europe During the Interwar Period

TSI

4

8.8 World War II

NEI

3

8.9 The Holocaust

CID

6

8.10 20th-Century Cultural, Intellectual, and Artistic Developments

6

8.11 Continuity and Changes in an Age of Global Conflict

Personal Progress Check 8

Multiple-choice: ~25 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• No stimulus

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Long essay

UNIT 9

Cold War and Contemporary Europe

c. 1914 – present

~17

Class Periods

10–15%

AP Exam Weighting

4

9.1 Contextualizing Cold War and Contemporary Europe

ECD

4

9.2 Rebuilding Europe

INT

1

9.3 The Cold War

ECD

1

9.4 Two Super Powers Emerge

NEI

5

9.5 Postwar Nationalism, Ethnic Conflict, and Atrocities

ECD

2

9.6 Contemporary Western Democracies

SOP

3

9.7 The Fall of Communism

SCD

3

9.8 20th-Century Feminism

INT

6

9.9 Decolonization

ECD

NEI

3

9.10 The European Union

SCD

5

9.11 Migration and Immigration

TSI

5

9.12 Technology

TSI

2

9.13 Globalization

CID

3

9.14 20th- and 21st-Century Culture, Arts, and Demographic Trends

6

9.15 Continuity and Change in the 20th and 21st Centuries

Personal Progress Check 9

Multiple-choice: ~35 questions

Short-answer: 2 questions

• Secondary source

• No stimulus

• Primary source

Free-response: 1 question

• Document-based

NOTE: Partial versions of the free-response questions are provided to prepare students for more complex, full questions that they will encounter on the AP Exam.