Credit Recovery Government Syllabus

Course Details

Course Code: 3330CRCH

Subject: Social Studies

Required Prerequisites: Failing grade in U.S. Government CP

Suggested Prerequisites: None

Recommended Grade Levels: 12th

Duration: Semester

Course Availability: A listing of when this course is offered in the current school year can be found on the VirtualSC Current Course Offerings page (opens in a new window).

Class Times: This course has scheduled instructional meetings. Information on scheduled meetings for each course is communicated by the teacher. Recordings of these meetings will be available for students unable to attend. Students should expect to spend 7-9 hours a week working on this course independently, in addition to any live meetings, and are expected to meet the deadlines posted in the course pacing guide.

Textbook: American Government (opens in a new window). US History.org, 2017. Accessed 8 Nov. 2016. [CC BY 4.0 (opens in a new window)]

Required Course Materials: None

Outside Websites: A list of links to websites and online textbooks used in this course can be found here: VSC Course Links Document Folder (opens in a new window). Students will need to be able to access all of these links to access all course materials.

Final Exam: Credit Recovery courses do not have proctored final exams. Students must master all Benchmark Tests to complete the course.

Course Description

This course is designed for students who have taken U.S. Government CP and failed it. Students in VirtualSC Credit Recovery courses have the opportunity to:

- begin each lesson by taking formative assessments (pretests).
- proceed to the next lesson when performance indicates readiness.
- complete the work only in the areas of weakness to earn credit for successful completion of courses.

Progression through the credit recovery courses is dependent on mastery of the lessons. Students struggling to master a lesson or unit of lessons will have the opportunity to review the skills again until mastery can be achieved.

The curriculum used in this course is guided by the [South Carolina Social Studies Academic Standard (opens in a new window)](#).

Scope and Sequence

- Orientation & Introduction
- Unit 01 - The Nature of Government
- Unit 02 - Foundations of American Government
- Unit 03 - Federalism
- Unit 04 - American Political Attitudes and Participation
- Unit 05 - How Do Citizens Connect with Their Government?
- Unit 06 - Congress: The People's Branch?
- Unit 07 - The Presidency: The Leadership Branch?
- Unit 08 - The Bureaucracy: The Real Government
- Unit 09 - The Judicial Branch
- Unit 10 - Civil Liberties and Civil Rights
- Unit 11 - Policy Making: Political Interactions
- Unit 12 - State and Local Governments

Current pacing guides for this course can be found on the [Current Course Offerings page](#) (opens in a new window) on the VirtualSC website.

Course Grades

Credit recovery courses are mastery-based. Student's progress through the course by demonstrating mastery of content and/or skills. Grades required to demonstrate mastery on individual activities are detailed in each course. Students must complete and master the entire course, including all benchmark tests, to be issued a final grade.

Students who successfully complete a credit recovery course will be assigned a non-numeric grade of Credit Recovered. Schools should record credit recovery grades on student transcripts as described in the South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy.

VirtualSC Details

Information on VirtualSC student guidelines, policies and technology requirements can be found in the [VirtualSC Student Support Portal (opens in a new window).](#)