

WASHINGTON STATE HISTORY

COURSE OVERVIEW AND GOALS

Washington State History is a one-semester course that traces the state's history, geography, government, and economics from the pre-Columbian era through the present. Students examine struggles to control territory in the Pacific Northwest, the conflicts and treaties that pushed Washington's Indigenous tribes onto reservations, and the statehood movement. In the 20th century, Washington became a center for agriculture, technology, and aerospace industries. Students learn how Washington's unique location and natural resources have long influenced its economic development, along with the state's demographic diversity and evolving interaction between people and the environment.

The course emphasizes the development of historical analysis skills, such as using chronology and periodization, and the interwoven strands of history, geography, government, and economics. Skills and strands are applied in written assignments that guide learners step-by-step through problem-solving activities.

By the end of this course, you will be able to do the following:

- ❖ Contextualize major events in Washington State in the history of the United States in general.
- ❖ Determine the effects important historical changes in Washington had on various groups in the state, such as Indigenous communities and Japanese Americans.
- ❖ Interpret major events in Washington State between the 19th century and today by analyzing cause and effect.

COURSE COMPONENTS AND GRADING RUBRIC

The table gives a breakdown of the weight for each component in the course. Weight represents the percentage of the total score coming from each activity.

Course Components	Count	Weight
Practice. <i>A practice activity provides instruction similar to that found in a study so that students can practice or review skills necessary to complete their assignment with mastery.</i>	5	15%
Discussion. <i>A discussion activity is an opportunity for students to collaborate with their peers. This activity gives students the opportunity to practice speaking and listening in a clear and logical manner and to receive feedback from peers.</i>	4	5%
Journal. <i>A journal is a short reflective writing exercise that encourages students to connect historical events and ideas to their own lives and circumstances.</i>	5	5%
Explore. <i>An explore activity gives students the opportunity to conduct research, evaluate source materials, and synthesize information.</i>	4	10%
Project. <i>A project is a hands-on investigation that extends over several weeks.</i>	1	5%
Mastery Test. <i>A mastery test is a computer-scored lesson-level summative assessment.</i>	29	45%
Posttest. <i>A posttest appears at the end of each unit.</i>	5	10%
End-Of-Semester Test. <i>An end-of-semester test (EOS) appears at the end of each course.</i>	1	5%
Total	54	100%

**Teachers may manually adjust these weights if desired, per district grading requirements.*

UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION TO WASHINGTON STATE HISTORY

In this unit, you will apply skills related to chronology, causation, and argumentation to the analysis of history, geography, and populations.

Lesson and Duration	Activities	Objectives
Understanding Chronology, Causation, and Argumentation 3 hours, 55 minutes	<i>Overview: Understanding Chronology, Causation, and Argumentation</i> <i>Study: Thinking Chronologically</i> <i>Study: Understanding Causation and Argumentation</i> <i>Checkup: Understanding Chronology, Causation, and Argumentation</i> <i>Mastery Test: Understanding Chronology, Causation, and Argumentation</i> <i>Explore: Research Questions</i>	- Organize events on a timeline in the order in which they occurred. - Define periodization and arrange historical events into periods chronologically. - Identify historical causation. - Draw a conclusion about the causes and effects of a historical event. - Evaluate the credibility of arguments based on historical causation.
Historical Source Analysis 3 hours, 55 minutes	<i>Overview: Historical Source Analysis</i> <i>Study: Reading Historical Evidence</i> <i>Study: Understanding Context and Bias</i> <i>Checkup: Historical Source Analysis</i> <i>Mastery Test: Historical Source Analysis</i> <i>Practice: Primary Source Analysis: Washington State History</i>	- Differentiate between primary sources and secondary sources. - Evaluate the credibility of a historical source. - Determine the historical context of a source. - Identify bias in a historical source. - Compare multiple interpretations of a single historical event.
Thinking Geographically 5 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: Thinking Geographically</i> <i>Study: Geography and the Environment</i> <i>Study: Thinking Geographically</i>	Recognize how geographic and environmental factors have shaped communities.

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	<i>Mastery Test: Thinking Geographically</i> <i>Study: The Geography of Washington State</i> <i>Mastery Test: The Geography of Washington State</i> <i>Practice: Get Out the Map</i>	- Identify the ways that geography affects the distribution, culture, and economic life of people in Washington. - Write an overview of major environmental issues. - Apply tools that geographers use to study the world. - Identify the key regions and physical features of Washington State.
People, Culture, and Migration 3 hours, 10 minutes	<i>Overview: People, Culture, and Migration</i> <i>Study: People and Culture</i> <i>Study: Human Migration</i> <i>Mastery Test: People, Culture, and Migration</i> <i>Discussion: Migration and Geography</i>	- Identify the push/pull factors that led people to Washington. - Examine the migration/immigration paths common to Washington. - Identify the role of migration and immigration on the environment. - Determine the ways that the environment limits and promotes migration/immigration.
Wrap-Up: Introduction to Washington State History 1 hour, 15 minutes	<i>Review: Introduction to Washington State History</i> <i>Posttest: Introduction to Washington State History</i>	- Review key ideas presented in the unit. - Demonstrate mastery of concepts and skills from the unit by completing a computer-scored assessment.

UNIT 2: WASHINGTON'S BEGINNINGS

In this unit, you will identify the key reasons the settlement of Washington State by European Americans led to conflict with Indigenous communities.

Lesson and Duration	Activities	Objectives
Indigenous Peoples and Westward Expansion 3 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: Indigenous Peoples and Westward Expansion</i> <i>Study: Indigenous People of the Pacific Northwest</i> <i>Read: The Point No Point Tribes</i> <i>Mastery Test: Indigenous People of the Pacific Northwest</i> <i>Practice: Indigenous Perspectives on Washington's Settlement</i>	- Identify the major groups of Indigenous peoples that populated early Washington. - Distinguish between Coastal peoples and Plateau peoples. - Identify the settlement patterns of Indigenous groups. - Recognize how the people of the Olympic Peninsula organized their societies and made a living.
Settling the West 4 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: Settling the West</i> <i>Study: Westward Expansion</i> <i>Study: Settling the West</i> <i>Mastery Test: Westward Expansion and Settling the West</i> <i>Study: Settling Washington</i> <i>Mastery Test: Settling Washington</i>	- Identify what motivated the United States to expand its western territory in the early 1800s. - Examine the early treaties that determined the boundaries of Washington. - Analyze the early economy of the Washington Territory. - Identify the ways that settling Washington was unique.
The Treaty-Making Period 3 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: The Treaty-Making Period</i> <i>Study: Treaties and Broken Promises</i> <i>Read: The Point No Point Treaty</i> <i>Mastery Test: Treaties and Broken Promises</i> <i>Practice: Tribal Sovereignty</i>	- Identify the ways people in Washington defined landownership. - Analyze the elements and outcomes of the Stevens Treaties. - Examine tribal sovereignty after the treaties. - Identify the major reservations created by the treaties. - Recognize the ways the treaties affected the economy of Indigenous peoples.

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Conflict and Wars 2 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: Conflict and Wars</i> <i>Study: Conflicts and Wars</i> <i>Mastery Test: Conflicts and Wars</i> <i>Journal: Treaty Aftermath - Nez Perce Story</i> <i>Journal: Causes of Conflict: Part 1</i>	- Examine the outcome of the Walla Walla Treaty Council of 1855. - Analyze the chronology of major conflicts and wars in territorial Washington. - Identify important Indigenous leaders and their influences. - Recognize the changing relationship between Indigenous peoples and the federal government.
Wrap-Up: Washington's Beginnings 1 hour, 15 minutes	<i>Review: Washington's Beginnings</i> <i>Posttest: Washington's Beginnings</i>	- Review key ideas presented in the unit. - Demonstrate mastery of concepts and skills from the unit by completing a computer-scored assessment.

UNIT 3: RAILROADS, REFORM, IMMIGRATION, AND LABOR

In this unit, you will analyze Washington's part in the industrialization of the American West from the late 19th century to just after World War I.

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Washington Becomes a State 2 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: Washington Becomes a State</i> <i>Study: Washington Becomes a State</i> <i>Read: The Washington State Constitution</i> <i>Mastery Test: Washington Becomes a State</i>	- Analyze Washington's path to statehood. - Outline the major provisions of the state constitution. - Determine how rights for diverse groups in Washington figured into the statehood era.

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A State of Growth 3 hours, 10 minutes	<i>Overview: A State of Growth</i> <i>Study: Railroads, Immigration, and Urbanization in America</i> <i>Study: Railroads, Immigration, and Urbanization in Washington State</i> <i>Mastery Test: Railroads, Immigration, and Urbanization in Washington State</i> <i>Discussion: Opportunity and its Costs</i>	- Determine the impact of the transcontinental railroads on the United States. - Recognize how railroads affected Washington's growth. - Identify the two major waves of immigration to Washington. - Identify the ways that Washington became culturally diverse. - Analyze the growth of cities, including Tacoma, Seattle, and Spokane.
A State of Reform 3 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: A State of Reform</i> <i>Study: Gilded Age and Progressive Reforms</i> <i>Study: Progressive Reforms in Washington State</i> <i>Mastery Test: Progressive Reforms in Washington State</i> <i>Journal: Reflecting on the Need for Reform</i>	- Identify the problems that emerged from rapid industrialization, immigration, and urbanization. - Analyze the effects of corruption in business and politics in Washington. - Examine the emergence of the labor movement. - Analyze major political reforms and key progressive leaders in Washington. - Define the events of labor strife in Washington and the impact on changes in the workplace. - Recognize how reforms of the Progressive era are reflected in Washington today.
World War I 2 hours, 35 minutes	<i>Overview: World War I</i> <i>Study: World War I</i> <i>Study: Washington During the War</i> <i>Mastery Test: World War I</i>	- Analyze the causes of World War I. - Examine the factors that led the United States to become involved in World War I.

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		- Determine how the years 1914 to 1918 were turning points for the United States. - Recognize the contributions of Washington residents during World War I. - Analyze the chronology of events during the war and its impact on Washington's citizens. - Examine opposition to the war, including opposition by labor movements like the International Workers of the World (IWW).
The Post War Period 2 hours, 35 minutes	<i>Overview: The Post War Period</i> <i>Study: The Postwar Years</i> <i>Study: The Postwar Years in Washington State</i> <i>Mastery Test: The Postwar Years</i> <i>Journal: Causes of Conflict: Part 2</i>	- Examine the economy of the United States after World War I. - Determine how race relations and civil rights issues shifted in the postwar era. - Identify the achievements and challenges of Washington's economy after World War I. - Identify the struggles of industries such as agriculture and logging.
Wrap-Up: Railroads, Reform, Immigration, and Labor 1 hour, 15 minutes	<i>Review: Railroads, Reform, Immigration, and Labor</i> <i>Posttest: Railroads, Reform, Immigration, and Labor</i>	- Review key ideas presented in the unit. - Demonstrate mastery of concepts and skills from the unit by completing a computer-scored assessment.

UNIT 4: TURMOIL AND TRIUMPH

In this unit, you will compare Washington's role in the triumphs and turmoil of the 20th century to that of the United States in general.

Lesson and Duration	Activities	Objectives
The Great Depression and the New Deal 2 hours, 35 minutes	<i>Overview: The Great Depression and the New Deal</i> <i>Study: The Great Depression and the New Deal</i> <i>Study: Washington Responds to the Depression</i> <i>Mastery Test: The Great Depression and the New Deal</i>	- Examine how the economic policies of the U.S. government contributed to the Great Depression. - Analyze the impact the Great Depression had on Washington's economy and the daily lives of Americans. - Recognize how drought, dust storms, and forest fires created challenges for Washington citizens. - Identify the impact of New Deal programs on Washington.
World War II 4 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: World War II</i> <i>Study: World War II</i> <i>Mastery Test: World War II</i> <i>Study: Washington and the War</i> <i>Mastery Test: Washington and the War</i> <i>Explore: Researching Washington's Internment History</i>	- Examine the U.S. position and actions during the early years of World War II. - Identify key wartime industries in Washington. - Identify the role of Washington in creating the atomic bomb. - Examine Japanese internment and identify those who resisted. - Define the social changes caused by World War II.
Postwar Prosperity and the Cold War 4 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: Postwar Prosperity and the Cold War</i> <i>Study: Prosperity and Change after World War II</i> <i>Study: The Cold War</i>	- Identify the causes of American prosperity after World War II. - Recognize the central conflicts and major events of the Cold War. - Identify the major changes affecting Washington in the postwar era.

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	<i>Mastery Test: Postwar Prosperity and the Cold War</i> <i>Study: Washington During the Cold War</i> <i>Mastery Test: Washington During the Cold War</i>	- Analyze the demographic population shifts in Washington after the war. - Determine Washington's connection to the Cold War, including Hanford and the growing aerospace industry. - Recognize the significance and impact of the 1962 World's Fair and the building of the Space Needle.
Civil Rights Movements 5 hours, 35 minutes	<i>Overview: Civil Rights Movements</i> <i>Study: The Movement for Civil Rights</i> <i>Study: The Indigenous Peoples and Latin American Movements</i> <i>Mastery Test: The Movement for Civil Rights</i> <i>Study: Civil Rights in Washington State</i> <i>Read: The Boldt Decision</i> <i>Mastery Test: Civil Rights in Washington State</i> <i>Practice: Leaders of Washington State</i>	- Identify key events and leaders of the civil rights movement nationally and in Washington. - Analyze the effects of the <i>Brown v. Board of Education</i> decision. - Recognize the ways that the movement for civil rights manifested among ethnic groups in Washington, especially Indigenous peoples. - Analyze the main provisions, outcomes, and impact of the Boldt Decision.
The Cost of Growth 3 hours, 5 minutes	<i>Overview: The Cost of Growth</i> <i>Study: The Cost of Growth</i> <i>Read: The Effects of Hanford on Indigenous Communities</i> <i>Mastery Test: The Cost of Growth</i> <i>Project: Causes of Conflict: Part 3</i>	- Recognize how the use and conservation of natural resources have changed the development and economy of Washington. - Identify ways that industry polluted Washington State. - Examine how human actions have affected the environment, including urban sprawl. - Identify the events and actions surrounding the Hanford Nuclear Facility.

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		Analyze how Washington's Indigenous communities have been affected by the Hanford Nuclear Facility.
Wrap-Up: Turmoil and Triumph 1 hour, 15 minutes	<i>Review: Turmoil and Triumph</i> <i>Posttest: Turmoil and Triumph</i>	- Review key ideas presented in the unit. - Demonstrate mastery of concepts and skills from the unit by completing a computer-scored assessment.

UNIT 5: CONTEMPORARY WASHINGTON

In this unit, you will evaluate issues facing Washington State today through the lens of citizenship, demographics and culture, and the economy.

Lesson and Duration	Activities	Objectives
Government Principles and Structures 5 hours, 25 minutes	<i>Overview: Government Principles and Structures</i> <i>Study: Principles of the U.S. Constitution</i> <i>Study: State and Local Governments</i> <i>Checkup: Principles and Structures of Government</i> <i>Mastery Test: Principles and Structures of Government</i> <i>Study: Structure of Government in Washington State</i> <i>Mastery Test: Structure of Government in Washington State</i>	- Define the principles of the U.S. Constitution. - Determine the principles and structures of government. - Identify the structure of Washington state government. - Analyze the process for making laws and amending the constitution. - Define the function of local government, including county and municipal operations. - Examine the structure of tribal government and tribal law.

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	<i>Explore: Current Leaders in Washington State</i>	
Principles of Citizenship 3 hours, 25 minutes	<i>Overview: Principles of Citizenship</i> <i>Study: Principles of Citizenship</i> <i>Study: Civil Liberties</i> <i>Checkup: Citizenship and Civil Liberties</i> <i>Mastery Test: Citizenship and Civil Liberties</i> <i>Journal: Citizen Problem-Solving</i>	- Define the term <i>citizenship</i>. - Distinguish between the duties and responsibilities of citizenship. - Examine the process of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States. - Evaluate the impact of civic participation on society, government, and the political process. - Identify the civil liberties granted by the First Amendment. - Determine how Supreme Court decisions have affected civil liberties. - Recognize how constitutional amendments protect the rights of the accused.
Demographics and Culture 2 hours, 35 minutes	<i>Overview: Demographics and Culture</i> <i>Study: Washington Demographics and Culture Today</i> <i>Mastery Test: Demographics and Culture</i> <i>Explore: What Shapes the Present and the Future?</i>	- Identify current demographic and political trends in the United States and Washington. - Analyze issues related to immigration in Washington. - Analyze ways in which Washington is trying to preserve its environment and heritage. - Determine the ways that Washington's present and future are shaped by people, social movements, or technologies.

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Examining Basic Economic Concepts 3 hours, 10 minutes	<i>Overview: Examining Basic Economic Concepts</i> <i>Study: Examining Basic Economic Concepts</i> <i>Study: The Economy's Impact on Citizens</i> <i>Mastery Test: Examining Basic Economic Concepts/The Economy's Impact on Citizens</i> <i>Discussion: The Economy's Impact on Distinct Groups</i>	- Identify the role of supply and demand in a market economy. - Identify the role of scarcity in economic decision making. - Define opportunity cost. - Recognize how economic motivations affect the operation of an economy.
Washington and the Global Economy 2 hours, 10 minutes	<i>Overview: Washington and the Global Economy</i> <i>Study: Washington's Economy</i> <i>Mastery Test: Washington's Economy</i> <i>Discussion: International Trade</i>	- Determine who has a voice in making major economic decisions in Washington. - Identify different approaches and solutions to economic issues. - Identify who benefits and who loses in various solutions. - Recognize the effect of government policies on the economy. - Determine how Washington's location/geography influences its economic relationships.
Wrap-Up: Contemporary Washington 1 hour, 15 minutes	<i>Review: Contemporary Washington</i> <i>Posttest: Contemporary Washington</i>	- Review key ideas presented in the unit. - Demonstrate mastery of concepts and skills from the unit by completing a computer-scored assessment.

SEMESTER WRAP-UP

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Semester Wrap-Up <i>1 hour, 45 minutes</i>	<i>Review: Semester Review</i> <i>End-of-Semester Test: Semester Exam</i>	- Review key ideas presented in the semester. - Demonstrate mastery of concepts and skills from the semester by completing a computer-scored assessment.