2013-2014 CP Am. Gov. Syllabus

**CP Unit 1 – Legislative Process, 9-11, & Systems of Government**

**Month Day In-Class Discussion Topic Reading to Prepare for that Day**

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| Aug. | 28 W | Introduction: [**Rules**](http://www.bornemania.com/gov/rules/htmlclassrules.html) and Forced-Choice Exercise: [**Proposed Rules**](http://www.bornemania.com/gov/projects/rulesproject.shtml) | Proposed Rules Handout  Class Rules Agreement |
|  | 29 Th | The Legislative Process; Form Constituent Groups & Legislative Groups; Forced-Choice Concluded | Proposed Rules Handout |
| - | 30 F  Rally | [**The Legislative Process**](http://www.bornemania.com/gov/projects/rulesproject.shtml)   (Brainstorming Class Rules) | - |
| Sept. | 2 M | **Labor Day: \*\*NO SCHOOL\*\*** | - |
|  | 3 T | Q: OUHSD Policies: Homework and Grades | Homework (BP 6154) and Evaluation of Student Achievement (BP 5121) <http://www.ouhsd.k12.ca.us/about/schoolboard/boardpolicies.htm> |
|  | 4 W | Discussion and Revision of [**Proposed Legislation**](http://www.bornemania.com/gov/projects/rulesproject.shtml) **(Bring class set of proposals)** | **Class Contracts Due** |
|  | 5 Th | Final Legislative Session;  Vote on [**Final Proposals**](http://www.bornemania.com/gov/projects/rulesproject.shtml)  Parliamentary Procedure  Count and Re-Count Votes | **-** |
|  | 6 F | Q: The 2000 Election | Zinn: Ch. 25 from A People’s History of the United States: “The 2000 Election and the ‘War on Terrorism’ (pp. 675 – 682) |
|  | 9 M | **Film: Unprecedented - Part I** | - |
| - | 10 T | **Film: Unprecedented – Part II** | - |
|  | 11 W | **Ex. Cr.: The 9-11 Quiz** | See **Basic Research Topics** + <http://www.bornemania.com/gov/outline/timeline.shtml> |
|  | 12 Th | Introduction to Origins, Branches and Levels of Government “Who Governs You?” | Magruder's American Government  (MAG) pp. 4 – 8  **Unprecedented Worksheet DUE** |
|  | 13 F | Q: Introduction to Systems of Government: Anarchy versus Totalitarianism | “Who Governs You?”  <http://www.bornemania.com/gov/projects/whogoverns.shtml> |
|  | 16 M | **Film: State of Mind – Part I** | **“Who Governs You?” Due** |
| - | 17 T | **Film: State of Mind – Part II** | - |
|  | 18 W | **Film: La Sierra – Part I** | - |
| Mini. | 19 Th | ***Q: 9-11 Quiz Redux*** |  |
|  | 20 F | **Film: La Sierra – Part II** |  |
|  | 23 M | **Unit 1 Review** | **N. Korea vs. Colombia Comparisons DUE** |
|  | 24 T | **Unit 1 Test** | - |

**Iran-Iraq-Afghanistan (1953 – 2000)**

**CIA-backed coup in Iran in 1953** (who did it and why? Who took power?)

**Saddam Hussein** (his religion, his attitude towards religion, & his rise to power)

**Iranian Revolution & American Hostage Crisis [1979 – 1981**] (who & why?)

**Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan** (when & why?)

**Iran-Contra Affair** (who was involved, what did they do, what was the result?)

**Mujahideen/Mujahedin** [various spellings] (who were they and what did they want?)

**Al Qaeda + Osama bin Laden** (who were they, how were they related, and why?)

**Iran/Iraq War** (who fought and why?)

**1990 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait** (who, why, and what was the result?)

**Taliban** (where were/are they located? what is their goal?)

**The W. Bush Administration Arrives (2000 – 2003)**

**“Project for a New American Century”** (who was in it, what was their goal?)

**Florida’s role in the Presidential Election of 2000** (who won and how did they win?)

**9-11** (who did it, why, and how many died, where?)

**Anthrax attacks of 2001** (where, why, who did it, and how many died?)

**USA PATRIOT Act** (what was it, who voted for it, and why)?

**Guantanamo Bay Detention Facility** (what is it? Where is it? What is it for?)

**Iraq War (2003 - 2009)**

**UN Weapons Inspectors under Hans Blix** (who were they, what were they trying to do, and what happened to them?)

**Jessica Lynch** (what’s her story?)

**Joe Wilson & Valerie Plame** (what’s their story?)

**Office of Special Plans in the Pentagon** (what was it’s goal and what did it achieve?)

**Abu Ghraib** (where is it? who was there? What happened there?)

**The Downing Street Memo [2005/2002]**) (What was it and what did it indicate?)

**Iraq War Casualties** (civilian & military)

Key Terms

Judicial Review, Due Process, Equal Protection, Constituents, Representatives, Legislative, Executive, Judicial, Unconstitutional, Punitive, Parliamentary Procedure, Veto, Voter Suppression, Felon Purge List, Hanging Chads, The Overseas Vote, Secretary of State of Florida, Supreme Court of Florida, U.S. Supreme Court, City, County, State, and Federal Government; Autocracy, Aristocracy, Democracy, Anarchy Totalitarianism, Theories of Government: Force, Social Contract, Evolutionary Theory.