

United States Government & Economics



South Carolina Qualifications:

This class will meet the state requirements for .5 credit in Government and .5 credit for Economics

Course Description: Broken up into quarters both the Government course and the Economic course will be taken in one semester. Following the South Carolina Department of Education requirements students will receive weekly teachings on key topics, daily homework assignments, and projects ensuring this to be rigorous and intriguing course.

United States Government:

Taken from ed.sc.gov website: In a United States Government course students study American Government beginning with the historical and philosophical principles that led to the development of the American constitutional democracy and how those fundamental ideas have continued to sustain America's democratic society. Students will learn how various powers are granted and distributed among the different branches and levels of government, and how checks and balances prevent one branch from overpowering the others. Additionally, students will investigate how American political values are formed and how government functions through individual participation and policy making. Overall, the study of United States Government provides a basis for students to develop the skills necessary to live and thrive in America's constitutional democracy and participate in society as active and informed citizens.

Economics:

Taken from ed.sc.gov website: Traditionally, the field of economics is divided into two categories: microeconomics and macroeconomics. In the domain of microeconomics, students may survey the impact of demand, supply, various market structures, and government policies have on market prices for goods, services, and wages for workers. Inquiry into macroeconomics involves observing trends in the economy at large and the policies that are undertaken to promote the economic well-being of a society. Holistically, the study of economics and personal finance provides a basis for students to develop the skills necessary to live and thrive financially in the 21st century, and participate in society as active and informed decision-makers.

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