

# WCFS Class Syllabus | Applied Civics 101

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**Credit:** .5 credit (Satisfies Required Course: Applied Citizenship 101)

**Prerequisite:** 9<sup>th</sup> grade reading level.

**Textbooks:** *Understanding The Constitution* by David Gibbs, Jr. & David Gibbs III.

**Location:** At the WCFS Campus, or Online

## Objective:

The objective of the course is to help students have a clear understanding of the basic elements and fundamental principles of American government, and the heritage from which that government came. Students will also gain a clear understanding from Scripture of their civic responsibilities, and how to engage governmental authorities with courage and creativity for the sake of the Gospel.

## Description of Course Content:

This course will cover the Old Testament book of Daniel and the textbook *Understanding The Constitution (UTC)*. The class will be completed over 10 weeks as a regular part of the Nathaniel Bowditch Mentor Clinic. Each class will consist of 2 ~45 minute lectures, followed by regular homework assignments in the books listed.

## Methodology:

The course shall be a hands-on practicum, designed to engage students on a personal level, not just a theoretical or intellectual level. Students shall study the primary elements of American government, with a specific focus on the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Students shall research the Biblical principles reflected in each document. Student shall survey the impact that Christians have had on American government and society, including instances where Christians have engaged the political process to address injustices in American society. Students shall study a Biblical perspective of a Christian's civic responsibilities.

## Course Requirements:

This course is open to all high school students may satisfy the government emphasis required for U.S. History course. Credit will be granted to students who attend all 10 scheduled classes and who complete all homework assignments. Homework will be maintained in the school provided notebook, **the final assignment being the display of the entire, completed notebook at the Family Heritage Expo™, in May.**

## Grade Determination:

**20%** of the grade will be based on **attendance** and **in-classroom participation**.

**60%** of the grade will be based on **Homework Assignments**.

**20%** of the grade will be based on **quizzes** and **tests**.

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## Ten Class HOMEWORK Schedule:

The following assignments ARE DUE AT THE CLASS IT IS LISTED UNDER! All homework shall be maintained in the school provided binder under the proper tabs for each kind of homework. This binder shall be displayed at the spring FAMILY HERITAGE EXPO®, usually scheduled on the first Saturday in May (See calendar for current year.)

### **Class 1: Wednesday, September 28, 2022, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

#### ***Class 1 Contents:***

- Intro to Course
- How to Do a Bible Outline

#### ***Assignments Due at Class 2:***

- Complete *What Does it Mean to be a Christian Citizen* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 1
- Read UTC pp 1-30, and complete accompanying worksheet

### **Class 2: Wednesday, October 26, 2022, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

#### ***Class 2 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 1: Purpose of Heart
- Review of UTC

#### ***Assignments Due at Class 3:***

- Complete *Daniel 1, Purpose of Heart* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 2
- Read UTC pp 31-62a and complete accompanying worksheet

### **Class 3: Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

#### ***Class 3 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 2: God's Blessing on Skill
- Review of UTC

#### ***Assignments Due at Class 4:***

- Complete *Daniel 2, God's Blessing on Skill* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 3
- Read UTC pp 62b-82 and complete accompanying worksheet

### **Class 4: Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

#### ***Class 4 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 3: Courage of Faith
- Review of UTC

#### ***Assignments Due at Class 5:***

- Complete *Daniel 3, Courage of Faith* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 4
- Read UTC pp 83-112 and complete accompanying worksheet
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### **Class 5: Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

#### ***Class 5 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 4: Eternal Impact
- Review of UTC

#### ***Assignments Due at Class 6:***

- Complete *Daniel 4, Eternal Impact* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 5
- Read UTC pp 113-118 and complete accompanying worksheet

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## **Class 6: Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

### ***Class 6 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 5: Enduring Pilgrim Legacy
- Review of UTC

### ***Assignments Due at Class 7:***

- Complete *Daniel 5, Enduring Pilgrim Legacy* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 6
- Read UTC pp 119-133 and complete accompanying worksheet

## **Class 7: Wednesday, February 22, 2023, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

### ***Class 7 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 6: Political Intrigue
- Review of UTC

### ***Assignments Due at Class 8:***

- Complete *Daniel 6, Political Intrigue* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 7
- Read UTC pp 135-150 and complete accompanying worksheet

## **Class 8: Wednesday, March 22, 2023, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

### ***Class 8 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 7: End Times, Part 1
- Review of UTC

### ***Assignments Due at Class 9:***

- Complete *Daniel 7, End Times, Part 1* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 9
- Read UTC pp 151-160 and complete accompanying worksheet

## **Class 9: Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

### ***Class 9 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 9: How to Pray for Your Country
- Review of UTC

### ***Assignments Due at Class 10:***

- Complete *Daniel 9: How to Pray for Your Country* lecture note sheet
- Read and Outline Daniel 12
- Read UTC pp 161-170 and complete accompanying worksheet

## **Class 10: Wednesday, May 17, 2022, 10:30am (AT WCFS CAMPUS/ONLINE)**

### ***Class 10 Contents:***

- Overview of Daniel 12: End Times Part 2
- Review of UTC

### ***Assignments Due on May 24***

- Complete *Daniel 12: End Times Part 2* lecture note sheet
- Complete UTC Final Exam