

AP® US History Course Content Outline Fall Semester 2007 - 2008

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Th. 8/30 Early Chesapeake p 36 – 45, Zinn: Ch. 2

F. 8/31 Growth of New England p 47-58

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Chapter 4: The Empire under Strain

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W. 9/26 Background of Constitution p 199 – 201/Federalists and Republicans p 204- 208 Zinn Ch 5
Th. 9/27 Establishing National Sovereignty/Downfall of the Federalists p 208 – 215
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W. 10/03 Doubling the National Domain p 243 – 254/The Grid p 182 - 184
Th. 10/04 War of 1812 p 254 – 260
F. 10/05 Test, Chapters 6 & 7

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