Course Requirements – American Government

Overview

Welcome to your TEL Library online course, American Government! This course requirements document will guide you through the assignments necessary to complete this course. In general, to earn credit for your TEL Library course, you must:

- Complete each lesson’s Check Your Knowledge exercise
- Submit all Evidence assignments and take each Module Quiz
- Take Exam 1 and Exam 2, utilizing a proctoring service
- Achieve a total average score of 70% or better across the learning activities listed above.

Before diving into your course’s assignments, let’s go over the different types of assignments you will find in a TEL Library course.

Check Your Knowledge

Each lesson you complete will typically contain a Check Your Knowledge exercise designed to help you digest the key topics of a lesson. Students have unlimited opportunities to take these exercises, but earn participation points the first time the exercise is completed.

Module Quiz

Each module you complete will typically contain a Module Quiz. The Module Quiz contains 20-35 multiple choice questions covering the module’s content. Students will only be able to take each quiz once.

Evidence

The Evidence assignment is a written assignment that asks students to do a deeper dive on a module topic.
Exams
Each course contains two exams containing an average of 50-60 multiple choice questions apiece. To earn credit for taking these exams, students must utilize a proctoring service.

Getting Started
Each module below is listed with its associated assignments.

Module 1: What is Government?
Graded Assignments
    Module 1 Quiz
    Module 1 Evidence
Participation Assignments
    Check Your Knowledge: Theories, States, and Characteristics of Governments
    Check Your Knowledge: Purpose and Process of Government
    Check Your Knowledge: Foundational Democratic Principal
    Check Your Knowledge: U.S. Democratic Values

Module 2: The Constitution
Graded Assignments
    Module 2 Quiz
    Module 2 Evidence
Participation Assignments
    Check Your Knowledge: Limiting Government
    Check Your Knowledge: Independence and the Articles of Confederation
    Check Your Knowledge: The Constitutional Convention
    Check Your Knowledge: Ratification of the Constitution
Check Your Knowledge: The Constitutional Amendments

Module 3: Federalism and Constitutional Interpretation

Graded Assignments

Module 3 Quiz
Module 3 Evidence

Participation Assignments

Check Your Knowledge: The Founders and Federalism
Check Your Knowledge: Creating Federalism
Check Your Knowledge: Constitution Interpretation

Module 4: Civil Liberties and Civil Rights

Graded Assignments

Module 4 Quiz
Module 4 Evidence

Participation Assignments

Check Your Knowledge: The Civil Rights Movement
Check Your Knowledge: The 14th Amendment and the Expansion of Civil Rights
Check Your Knowledge: Traditional Civil Rights
Check Your Knowledge: Civil Rights in the New World

Module 5: American Politics

Graded Assignments

Module 5 Quiz
Module 5 Evidence

Participation Assignments
Check Your Knowledge: Political Ideologies and Political Culture
Check Your Knowledge: Political Socialization and the Creation of Political Beliefs
Check Your Knowledge: Measuring Public Opinion
Check Your Knowledge: Involvement in Government
Check Your Knowledge: Voting

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**Module 6: Public Policy**

**Graded Assignments**

- Module 6 Quiz
- Module 6 Evidence

**Participation Assignments**

- Check Your Knowledge: Political Parties
- Check Your Knowledge: Campaigns and Elections
- Check Your Knowledge: The Media and Politics
- Check Your Knowledge: The Internet and Politics

**Exam**

- Exam 1

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**Module 7: Congress**

**Graded Assignments**

- Module 7 Quiz
- Module 7 Evidence

**Participation Assignments**

- Check Your Knowledge: Changes in Congressional Power
- Check Your Knowledge: Congressional Leadership
- Check Your Knowledge: Congressional Representation
- Check Your Knowledge: Congressional Committees
Check Your Knowledge: Congressional Membership
Check Your Knowledge: How a Bill Becomes a Law

Module 8: The Expansion of Power

Graded Assignments
- Module 8 Quiz
- Module 8 Evidence

Participation Assignments
- Check Your Knowledge: Becoming President
- Check Your Knowledge: The Job of a U.S. President
- Check Your Knowledge: The Evolution of the Presidency
- Check Your Knowledge: Presidential Character
- Check Your Knowledge: All the President's Men and Women

Module 9: The Bureaucracy

Graded Assignments
- Module 9 Quiz
- Module 9 Evidence

Participation Assignments
- Check Your Knowledge: The Evolution and Expansion of the Bureaucracy
- Check Your Knowledge: The Organization of the Bureaucracy
- Check Your Knowledge: The Models of Bureaucracy and Bureaucrats
- Check Your Knowledge: Reforming the Bureaucracy

Module 10: The Judiciary

Graded Assignments
Module 10 Quiz
Module 10 Evidence

Participation Assignments
Check Your Knowledge: Creation of the Federal Courts
Check Your Knowledge: Structure of the Federal Courts
Check Your Knowledge: The Supreme Court
Check Your Knowledge: Judges and Justices
Check Your Knowledge: Power of the Federal Courts

Module 11: Policy: National and International

Graded Assignments
Module 11 Quiz
Module 11 Evidence

Participation Assignments
Check Your Knowledge: U.S. Foreign Policy
Check Your Knowledge: U.S. Foreign and Defense Policies
Check Your Knowledge: Economic Policy
Check Your Knowledge: Public Policy

Module 12: Governments, Taxation, and Education

Graded Assignments
Module 12 Quiz
Module 12 Evidence

Participation Assignments
Check Your Knowledge: State and Local Governments
Check Your Knowledge: State and Local Taxation
Check Your Knowledge: Funding Education
Module 13: Comparative Political and Economic Systems

Graded Assignments

Module 13 Quiz
Module 13 Evidence

Participation Assignments

Check Your Knowledge: Comparative Government
Check Your Knowledge: Comparing Economic Systems
Check Your Knowledge: Globalization

Exam

Exam 2