

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS
B.A. DEGREE COURSE IN HISTORICAL STUDIES
SYLLABUS WITH EFFECT FROM 2023-2024

THIRD YEAR – SEMESTER- V

CORE XI –HISTORY OF USA 1945 – 2000 CE

Subject Code	Subject Name	Category	L	T	P	S	Credits	Inst. Hours	Marks		
									CIA	External	Total
306C5C	HISTORY OF USA 1945 – 2000 CE	Core					4	5	25	75	100
Course Objectives											
C1	To understand the concept of containment										
C2	To analyze background to Civil Rights Movement										
C3	To focus on the domestic policy of Richard Nixon										
C4	To know about disbarment talks										
C5	To know the causes of the end of the Cold War										
UNIT	DETAILS										No. of Hours
I	The Cold War: Strategy of “Containment” – Harry S. Truman – Fair Deal – Truman Doctrine – Marshall Plan – Point Four Programme – Eisenhower – Suez Canal Crisis – Anti-Communist Crusade - Korean War - Cuban Crisis.										15
II	John F. Kennedy – New Frontier Policy - Civil Rights Movement – Martin Luther King - L.B. Johnson – Great Society - Foreign Policy.										15
III	Richard Nixon – Watergate Scandal - Ping Pong Diplomacy – Man on the Moon – Super Power Rivalry – Vietnam War.										15
IV	America under Jimmy Carter – Domestic and Foreign Policy – Détente: Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT-II] – Ronald Reagan, Escalation of the Cold War – US-Soviet Relations.										15
V	George Bush Senior – End of Cold War – Bill Clinton – USA as a Super Power – Domestic and Foreign Policy – George Bush Junior.										15
	Total										75
Course Outcomes									Programme Outcomes		
CO	On completion of this course, students will										
1	Understand the politics of post world war dominance										PO1,PO2, PO5
2	Analyze the existence of racial divide in USA										PO2, PO3
3	Understand the problems of the freedom of expression										PO1, PO2
4	Discuss the domestic policies of Ronald Reagan and others										PO1, PO2
5	Analyse the the foreign policies of George Bush and his successors										PO1,PO2,P03

Text Book	
1	Alalasundaram, R., A History of United States of America 1865-1974, Podhigai Pathipaham, Pondicherry, 1981.
2	. Rajayyan, K, History of the U.S.A., Madurai Publishing House, Madurai, 1978.
3	Krishnamurthi, History of the United States of America, 1492-1965, Madurai Printers, Madurai, 1980.
4	Majumdar, R.K. and Srivastva, A.N., History of the United States of America From 1845 to Present Day, SBD Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi, 1998
5	Nambi Arooran, A History of the USA (Tamil), Tamil Nadu Text Book Society Publication, Chennai, 1980. Subramanian, N., A History of the USA, Ennes Publication, Udumalpet, 1986.
6	Marshall Smelsor, American History – At A Glance, Barnes and Noble INC, New York, 1962.

Mapping with Programme Outcomes:

	PO 1	PO 2	PO 3	PO 4	PO 5	PO 6	PO 7	PO 8
CO 1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
CO 2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
CO 3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
CO 4	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	3
CO 5	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	3
Weightage	14	14	14	14	13	15	13	15
Weighted percentage of course contribution to POS	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.6	3.00	2.6	3.00

S-Strong-3 M-Medium-2 L-Low-1