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ZTC USSO Course at
CCNY**

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Dear Students,

This is a supplement to your syllabus. Please find links in your syllabus. Those links, these links, and the classroom lectures cover the subjects that would ordinarily be covered in a textbook. Under each president, find a list of significant events and links to free resources that teach you about these matters.

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George Washington (1789–1797)

Judiciary Act

Assumption Bill

Whiskey

Rebellion

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/george-washington/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?121783-1/president-life-portraits-series>

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?441627-1/george-washingtons-faith>

John Adams (1797–1801)

XYZ Affair

Alien and Sedition ACTS

Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions

Midnight Judges

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/john-adams/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?121951-1/life-portrait-john-adams>

David McCullough

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?424777-4/ideals-founding-fathers>

Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)

Marbury Vs. Madison

Louisiana Purchase

Embargo Act

Non-Intercourse Act

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/thomas-jefferson/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?121787-1/life-portrait-thomas-jefferson>

James Madison (1809–1817)

War of 1812

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/james-madison/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?122316-1/life-portrait-james-madison>

The Sacred Fire of Liberty

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?68744-1/the-sacred-fire-liberty-james-madison>

James Monroe (1817–1825)

Monroe Doctrine

Adams-Onis Treaty

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/james-monroe/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?122343-1/james-monroe-biographical-vignette>

John Quincy Adams (1825–1829)

Corrupt Bargain

Erie Canal

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/john-quincy-adams/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?122555-1/life-portrait-john-quincy-adams>

Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)

Nullification Crisis

Force Bill

Banking Controversy

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/andrew-jackson/>

Martin Van Buren (1837–1841)

Panic of 1837

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/martin-van-buren/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?122988-1/life-portrait-martin-van-buren>

William Henry Harrison (1841)

Shortest Presidency

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/william-henry-harrison/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?123123-1/life-portrait-william-henry-harrison>

John Tyler (1841–1845)

Webster-Ashburton Treaty

Annexation of Texas

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/john-tyler/>

James K. Polk (1845–1849)

Oregon boundary

Mexican War

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/james-k-polk/>

Zachary Taylor (1849–1850)

Short presidency

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/zachary-taylor/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?123944-1/life-portrait-zachary-taylor>

Millard Fillmore (1850–1853)

Compromise of 1850

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/millard-fillmore/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?124976-1/life-portrait-millard-fillmore>

Franklin Pierce (1853–1857)

Kansas-Nebraska Bill

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/franklin-pierce/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?125004-1/life-portrait-franklin-pierce>

James Buchanan (1857–1861)

Dred Scott

John Bown

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/james-buchanan/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?125214-1/life-portrait-james-buchanan>

Abraham Lincoln (1861–1865)

Civil War

Emancipation of Slaves

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/abraham-lincoln/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?125640-1/life-portrait-abraham-lincoln>

Andrew Johnson (1865–1869)

Tenure of Office Act

Impeachment

Fourteenth Amendment

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/andrew-johnson/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?150104-1/life-portrait-andrew-johnson>

Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Credit Mobilier

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/ulysses-s-grant/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?150209-1/life-portrait-ulysses-s-grant>

Rutherford B. Hayes (1877–1881)

Electoral Commission

Federal Troops withdrawn from the South

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/rutherford-b-hayes/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?150637-1/life-portrait-rutherford-b-hayes>

James A. Garfield (1881)

Short presidency

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/james-garfield/>

Chester A. Arthur (1881–1885)

Chinese Exclusion Act

Pendleton ACT

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/chester-a-arthur/>

Grover Cleveland (1885–1889;1893–1897)

Panic of 1893

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/grover-cleveland/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151466-1/life-portrait-grover-cleveland>

Benjamin Harrison (1889–1893)

Sherman Anti-trust Act

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/benjamin-harrison/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151616-1/life-portrait-benjamin-harrison>

William McKinley (1897–1901)

Spanish-American War

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/william-mckinley/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151617-1/life-portrait-william-mckinley>

Theodore Roosevelt (1901–1909)

Panama Canal

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/theodore-roosevelt/>

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151618-1/life-portrait-theodore-roosevelt>

William Howard Taft (1909–1913)

Income tax amendment

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/william-howard-taft/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151620-1/life-portrait-william-howard-taft>

Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921)

World War I

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/woodrow-wilson/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151624-1/life-portrait-woodrow-wilson>

Warren G. Harding (1921–1923)

Washington Naval Conference

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/warren-g-harding/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151625-1/life-portrait-warren-g-harding>

Calvin Coolidge (1923–1929)

Teapot Dome Scandal

Immigration Act of 1924

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/calvin-coolidge/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151626-1/life-portrait-calvin-coolidge>

Herbert Hoover (1929–1933)

Great Depression

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/herbert-hoover/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151627-1/life-portrait-herbert-hoover>

Franklin D. Roosevelt (1933–1945)

Social Security Act of 1935

World War II

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/franklin-d-roosevelt/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151628-1/life-portrait-franklin-d-roosevelt>

Harry S. Truman (1945–1953)

National Security Act

Cold War

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/harry-s-truman/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151629-1/life-portrait-harry-s-truman>

Dwight D. Eisenhower (1953–1961)

Brown vs. Board of Education

Military Industrial Complex

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/dwight-d-eisenhower/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151630-1/life-portrait-dwight-d-eisenhower>

John F. Kennedy (1961–1963)

Bay of Pigs

Cuban Missile Crisis

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/john-f-kennedy/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151631-1/life-portrait-john-f-kennedy>

Camelot's Court: Inside the Kennedy White House

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?316974-1/qa-robert-dallek>

Lyndon B. Johnson (1963–1969)

Civil Rights Act

Immigration Reform

Vietnam War

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/lyndon-b-johnson/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151632-1/life-portrait-lyndon-b-johnson>

Lone Star Rising

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?21448-1/lone-star-rising>

Richard Nixon (1969–1974)

Moon Landings

Watergate

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/richard-m-nixon/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151633-1/life-portrait-richard-m-nixon>

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?c4349207/nixon-interview-2492>

Gerald Ford (1974–1977)

Pardon

Recession

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/gerald-r-ford/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151635-1/life-portrait-jimmy-carter>

Jimmy Carter (1977–1981)

Camp David Peace Accords

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/james-carter/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151635-1/life-portrait-jimmy-carter>

Ronald Reagan (1981–1989)

Grenada

Iran-Contra Scandal

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/ronald-reagan/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151636-1/life-portrait-ronald-reagan>

George H. W. Bush (1989–1993)

Berlin Wall

Iraq War

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/george-h-w-bush/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151637-1/life-portrait-george-hw-bush>

Bill Clinton (1993–2001)

Impeachment

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/william-j-clinton/>

Additional Material

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?151639-1/life-portrait-bill-clinton>

George W. Bush (2001–2009)

911

Afghanistan War

Iraq War

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/george-w-bush/>

Barack Obama (2009–2017)

Obamacare

Libya

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/barack-obama/>

Additional Material

Oliver Stone on the Obama Administration

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R2kpyYWd0eo>

Donald Trump (2017–present)

The Russia Scandal

Required Reading

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/people/donald-j-trump/>