

# U.S. History I

## At a glance

- Accepted for credit transfer by Strayer University
- 4.5 quarter credits at Strayer University
- Strayer University equivalency: American History to 1865 (HIS 104)

## Course description

Sophia's US History I course builds your knowledge of key events and figures in the history of the United States from American prehistory through the era of Reconstruction. This course emphasizes critical thinking skills and consideration of multiple perspectives through the analysis of primary sources. You will learn how to think like a historian and apply a historian's lens to real-world situations.

## Assessments & grading

This is a pass/fail course. You must complete 12 Challenge assessments (these are like quizzes) and 4 Milestone assessments (these are like tests) with an overall score of 70% or better.

## Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, you'll be able to:

- Interpret or analyze a primary source to draw conclusions about a historical event
- Apply different historical lenses in order to critically analyze historical events through a variety of perspectives
- Understand the events, people, and motivations involved in the settling of the Americas
- Recognize the events and factors that lead up to the American Revolution
- Analyze the political, social and economic climate during and after the drafting of the constitution
- Evaluate the events leading up to the Civil War and understand the key players, battles, and rationales

## **Learning outcomes continued**

- Analyze how historians have interpreted the era of reconstruction and the causes for the collapse of reconstruction
- Trace the evolution of slavery and examine the experience of slaves from the age of exploration through the era of reconstruction
- Sophia's Many Ways™