

**AP World History Curriculum Framework**

Introduction

Overview of the Curriculum Framework

I. Historical Thinking Skills

II. Thematic Learning Objectives

Theme 1: Interaction Between Humans and the Environment

Theme 2: Development and Interaction of Cultures

Theme 3: State Building, Expansion, and Conflict

Theme 4: Creation, Expansion, and Interaction of Economic Systems

Theme 5: Development and Transformation of Social Structures

III. Geographical Coverage

IV. The Concept Outline

Historical Periods

Using the Concept Outline to Plan Instruction

Period 1: Technological and Environmental Transformations, to c. 600 B.C.E.

Period 2: Organization and Reorganization of Human Societies, c. 600 B.C.E. to c. 600 C.E.

Period 3: Regional and Interregional Interactions, c. 600 C.E. to c. 1450

Period 4: Global Interactions, c. 1450 to c. 1750

Period 5: Industrialization and Global Integration, c. 1750 to c. 1900

Period 6: Accelerating Global Change and Realignments, c. 1900 to the Present

**Notes:**