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This course will run from January 27 through early May (we are likely to provide you time after the release of the final lectures [April 21 - 25] to complete your final writing assignment). Please note that we will take a spring break week from March 9 - 14.

Weeks 1 - 6 will cover material from the book, "The American Constitution." Weeks 7 - 12 will cover material from the book, "The Unwritten Constitution." We will cover two chapter topics each week. New video lectures will be released on Monday on Wednesday. In addition, we will provide "bonus content" every Wednesday and Friday. The nature of this content will vary. It might be a video conversation between Professor Amar and students or colleagues. It might be a live video chat with the teaching assistants. It might be one hour where the TAs are answering questions in real-time in one of the message forums.

NOTE: The release dates of the first two quizzes and first two writing assignments are known and can be viewed below. We will announce the release date of the third quiz and third writing assignment this week.

Week 1

- Monday, January 27: "In The Beginning" video lectures released
- Wednesday, January 29: "In The Beginning" bonus content released
- Wednesday, January 29: "New Rules for a New World" video lectures released
- Friday, January 31: "New Rules for a New World" bonus content released

Week 2

- Monday, February 3: "Congressional Powers" video lectures released
- Wednesday, February 5: "Congressional Powers" bonus content released
- Wednesday, February 5: "America's First Officer" video lectures released
- Friday, February 7: "America's First Officer" bonus content released

Week 3

- [Monday, February 10: Quiz #1 Released](#)
- Monday, February 10: "Presidential Powers" video lectures released
- Wednesday, February 12: "Presidential Powers" bonus content released
- Wednesday, February 12: "Judges and Juries" video lectures released
- Friday, February 14: "Judges and Juries" bonus content released

Week 4

- [Monday, February 17: Quiz #1 Due In Order To Be Eligible For Full Credit](#)
- Monday, February 17: "States and Territories" video lectures released
- Wednesday, February 19: "States and Territories" bonus content released
- Wednesday, February 19: "The Law of the Land" video lectures released

- Friday, February 21: "The Law of the Land" bonus content released

Week 5

- [Monday, February 24: Writing Assignment #1 Released](#)
- [Monday, February 24: Quiz #1 Due In Order To Be Eligible For Partial Credit \(5% per day late penalty\)](#)
- Monday, February 24: "Making Amends" video lectures released
- Wednesday, February 26: "Making Amends" bonus content released
- Wednesday, February 26: "A New Birth of Freedom" video lectures released
- Friday, February 28: "A New Birth of Freedom" bonus content released

Week 6

- [Monday, March 3: Writing Assignment #1 Due; Writing Assignment #1 Evaluation Period Begins](#)
- Monday, March 3: "Progressive Reforms" video lectures released
- Wednesday, March 5: "Progressive Reforms" bonus content released
- Wednesday, March 5: "Modern Moves" video lectures released
- Friday, March 7: "Modern Moves" bonus content released
- [Sunday, March 9: Writing Assignment #1 Evaluation Period Ends](#)

ONE WEEK SPRING BREAK: MONDAY, MARCH 10 - FRIDAY MARCH 14**Week 7**

- [Monday, March 17: Quiz #2 Released.](#)
- Monday, March 17: "Reading Between the Lines" video lectures released
- Wednesday, March 19: "Reading Between the Lines" bonus content released
- Wednesday, March 19: "Heeding the Deed" video lectures released
- Friday, March 21: "Heeding the Deed" bonus content released

Week 8

- [Monday, March 24: Quiz #2 Due In Order To Be Eligible For Full Credit](#)
- Monday, March 24: "Hearing the People" video lectures released
- Wednesday, March 26: "Hearing the People" bonus content released
- Wednesday, March 26: "Confronting Modern Case Law" video lectures released
- Friday, March 28: "Confronting Modern Case Law" bonus content released

Week 9

- [Monday, March 31: Writing Assignment #2 Released](#)
- [Monday, March 31: Quiz #2 Due In Order To Be Eligible For Partial Credit \(5% per day late penalty\)](#)
- Monday, March 31: "Putting Precedent in its Place" video lectures released
- Wednesday, April 2: "Putting Precedent in its Place" bonus content released
- Wednesday, April 2: "Honoring the Icons" video lectures released
- Friday, April 4: "Honoring the Icons" bonus content released

Week 10

- [Monday, April 7: Writing Assignment #2 Due; Writing Assignment #2 Evaluation Period Begins](#)
- Monday, April 7: "Remember the Ladies" video lectures released
- Wednesday, April 9: "Remember the Ladies" bonus content released
- Wednesday, April 9: "Following Washington's Lead" video lectures released
- Friday, April 11: "Following Washington's Lead" bonus content released
- [Sunday, April 13: Writing Assignment #2 Evaluation Period Ends](#)

Week 11

- Monday, April 14: "Interpreting Government Practices" video lectures released
- Wednesday, April 16: "Interpreting Government Practices" bonus content released
- Wednesday, April 16: "Joining the Party" video lectures released
- Friday, April 18: "Joining the Party" bonus content released

Week 12

- Monday, April 21: "Doing the Right Thing" video lectures released
- Wednesday, April 23: "Doing the Right Thing" bonus content released
- Wednesday, April 23: "Envisioning the Future" video lectures released
- Friday, April 25: "Envisioning the Future" bonus content released

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