

Louisiana Civics 2025-2026 Pacing Guide (Semester)

Note: Standards C.1-7 of the 2022 Louisiana Social Studies Standards for Civics are skill-related and describe the things students should be able to do to demonstrate their understanding of history. These standards are not specifically listed in this pacing guide, but they should be embedded within each unit.

Unit/Subunit		Standards	Major Topics/Concepts
GOV: Foundations of Government	Foundations of the United States Government	C.8a-d	 Purpose of the government and its role in society Purpose and role of federal government in American society Different systems and structures of government Fundamental principles and concepts of government Influence of historical and philosophical factors Role and importance of foundational documents and ideas Debates, compromises, and plans around ratification of the Constitution Influence of the concept of natural rights
	United States Constitution, Rights, and Principles	C.8e-g	
GOV: Structure of Government	Government Structures, Powers, and Functions	C.9a-e	 Organization of the federal, state, local, and tribal governments Relationship between federal, state, local, and tribal governments Interaction between federal, state, local, and tribal governments and citizens Importance of the Constitution Origins of power in the Constitution Purpose of the Bill of Rights Guiding principles of the Constitution Process to amend the Constitution Structure of the government under the
	Supreme Court and Constitutional Interpretation	C.9.f-g	 Constitution Functions and duties of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Branches of government Evolving role of the United States government Evolving role of the Judicial Branch Expanding powers of the Legislative Branch Narrowing powers of the Legislative Branch Expanding role of the president Changing role of the president

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	Government Revenue and Louisiana Government	C.9.h-j	 Allocation of revenue among levels of government Comparison of the Louisiana government to the United States government Civil Law, Napoleonic Code, and Louisiana's system of laws 			
1 st Cumulative Assessment (covering all content to this point)						
	Civil Liberties	C.10a-d	 Protections by the government of individual liberties and rights Application of the Bill of Rights on historical and current issues Restrictions and expansions of civil liberties and civil rights in the United States over time Application of equal protection and due process over time Subversion of equal protection by states throughout history 			
GOV: Government in Action	Public Policy	C.12a-e	 Development of domestic policy by the United States government Difference between domestic and foreign policy Development, implementation, and consequences of domestic policy over time Purpose of foreign policy Types of foreign policy Goals of foreign policy Role of American government in foreign policy Factors that led to the United States isolationism from interventionism Effect of the shift from interventionism to isolationism on the global position of the United States Function of international and supranational organizations Impact of international and supranational organizations on relationships between nations 			

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GOV: Civic Participation	C.11a-k	 Requirements for United States citizenship Change in the naturalization process over time Participation in the government by citizens Function of elections in the United States Impact of campaign finance and spending on local, state, and federal election outcomes Role of political parties, interest groups, lobbies/lobbyists, and associations in American politics over time Influence of the media on politics and public opinion Advantages and disadvantages of technologies in politics and government Redistricting in Louisiana and its effect on statewide and national elections Role of local and parish governments in Louisiana 			
GOV: Economic Principles	C.13a-g, C.14a-e	 Role of the federal government in regulating the national economy Government regulation of the United States economy Change in government regulation of the United States economy over time Key figures and ideas about free markets Comparison of capitalist and socialist economic systems Development and implementation of economic policies National and global consequences of competition, free enterprise, and government regulation Impact of tariffs on the United States' relationship with other countries and its position in the global economy Impact of trade policies on the United States' relationship with other countries and its position in the global economy Potential earnings related to education, training, and career options Application of financial data to real-life situations Implications of using credit for purchases Comparison of types of credit, savings, investment, and insurance services from different institutions Role of responsible budgeting in achieving personal financial goals 			
Final Comprehensive Assessment (covering all content)					
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