

SAINT CLARET COLLEGE, ZIRO

B. A. (History)

SYLLABUS AS PER RGU SEMESTRAL SCHEME

(Subjected to syllabus enrichment by SCCZ for Claretines)

Semester VI

BHIS-611: History of USA (1776 – 1945)

Objectives: Having studied this paper, a student will be able to:

- a. *Explain the course of American War of Independence*
- b. *Explain the causes of Civil War in America*
- c. *Explain the role of Abraham Lincoln in the Reconstruction of America*
- d. *Explain the emergence of America as Imperial Power*
- e. *Explain the history of U.S.A. between two World Wars.*

Unit 0 Baseline analysis: Assessment of baseline knowledge, revision of basic concepts, course objectives, goal settings

Unit I: American Revolution and Emergence of Democracy

- a. War of Independence
- b. George Washington
- c. Thomas Jefferson
- d. Monroe Doctrine

Unit II: Civil War and Reconstruction

- a. Abraham Lincoln
- b. Causes of Civil War
- c. Reconstruction

Unit III: Emergence of U.S.A. as Imperial Power

- a. American Imperialism in Latin America
- b. American Imperialism in Far East

Unit IV: The Progressive Era

- a. Theodore Roosevelt
- b. William Taft
- c. Woodrow Wilson: U.S. entry into First World War, Wilson's Fourteen Points

Unit V: U.S. between two World Wars

- a. Great Depression
- b. New Deal
- c. U.S. and Second World War

Unit 100 Advanced skills: Revision, assignment, class seminar, journal/magazine discussion, quiz

Recommended readings:

Brogun, H. (1985) *The Penguin History of the United States of America*. London, United Kingdom: Penguin Books

Fite, Emerson David (1935) *History of The United States*. New York: Henry Holt and company

Williams, T.H. Freidel, F., Current, R.N. Brinkley, A. (1961) *American History: A Survey*, New York, U.S.A: McGraw-Hill Education.