

Note to Instructor: Replace the placeholder text beneath the headings with the appropriate information for your course. Please note that all sections, with the exception of "Other Course Information," are required elements.

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Semester:	Spring 2022	Instructor Name:	Guzman, Cesar
Course Title & #:	CTZN 800	Email:	Cesar.guzman@imperial.edu
CRN #:	22081, 22082, 22083	Webpage (optional):	
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	02/18/22-04/08/22, 03/14/22-		10:00-11:00AM
Class Dates:	06/06//22, 04/15/22-06/10/22	Office Hours:	
Class Days:	Mon/Fri	Office Phone #:	7605502108
Class Times:	4:30-8:30pm, 5:30-8:30PM	Emergency Contact:	760-550-4416
Units:	Pass/no pass	Class Format:	Face to Face

# **Course Description**

This course will unable students to learn basic facts about the United States Constitution, famous Americans, and important events in American history. Emphasis is in the privileges, duties, and responsibilities of citizenship.

# Course Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s)

5 years as a permanent resident in the United States or 3 years if you file as a spouse of a United States citizen.

#### **Student Learning Outcomes**

Students must demonstrate the ability to read, write, speak and understand basic English. They must also demonstrate a basic knowledge of the United States history, government, and civics principles.

#### **Course Objectives**

Fill out-N-400 application, prepared for the interview, pass the writing, reading, oral civics exam.

# Textbooks & Other Resources or Links[Describe which textbooks and/or other resources are required for the course. Be sure to include ISBN.]

10 steps to Naturalization, 10 civics practice exam English/Spanish, Civics Flash Cards for the Naturalization Test, Preparing for the Naturalization test pocket study guide and The declaration of independence and the constitution of the handbook. Audio CD 100 Civics Questions.

## **Course Requirements and Instructional Methods**

Learn about the united states and government USCIS study guide and naturalization self-test.

Identify the major reasons why Europeans settled in North America as well as the major development that led to the Revolutionary war. Identify the main principles of the Constitution and demonstrate an understanding of the separation



of powers and checks and balances. Demonstrate basic knowledge of the geography of the United States. Identify local state and national leaders.

# **Course Grading Based on Course Objectives**

[Provide detailed information related to grading practices and grading scale, including values and totals. Consider adding final grade calculation, rubrics, late assignment policy, and other grading practices.]

Pass/ No Pass Credit.

Credit will be based on the following

Attendance and participation 10%

Assignment 20%

Naturalization Self-Test 20%

Final Exam 50%

#### **Course Policies**

[Describe other policies such as attendance, academic honesty, netiquette, expected classroom behavior, etc.]
Attendance is required as well as participation and engaging. In the 10 civics practice exams

# **Other Course Information**

None

#### **IVC Student Resources**

Any student with a documented disability who may need accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Program and Services (DSP&S) office is located on the south side of the science building as soon as possible.

## **Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar**

[Provide a tentative overview of the readings, assignments, tests, and/or other activities for the duration of the course. A table format as in the example below may be used for this purpose.]

Date or Week	Activity, Assignment, and/or Topic	Pages/ Due Dates/Tests
Week 1	Syllabus & Introduction	
	Pledge of Allegiance	
	USCIS Video-Outlining the Naturalization process	
	Requirements for Naturalization	
	N-400 Application	
	Fee Schedule for Form 912, 942, FOIA, AR-11, N-648	Civics Practice Test 1



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	10 Steps to Naturalization	
Week 2	Settlement-Pilgrims	
	Map- 13 colonies	
	United State abbreviations	
	Europeans settled in America	
	George Washington- 1 <sup>st</sup> President of United States and Father of	
	our Country	
	USCIS writing vocabulary	Civics Practice Test 2
Week 3	Declaration of Independence 1776- Thomas Jefferson – Main	
	Writer	
	Major developments that led to the Revolutionary War	
	Rights obtained from the Declaration of Independence	
	USCIS reading vocabulary	Civics Practice Test 3
Week 4	The United States Constitution1787- James Madison	
	Bill of rights – Amendment 1-10	
	Amendment 1,	
	Four Amendments to the Constitution of who can vote	
	Guest Speaker- Mr. Castillo former Citizenship instructor at IVC	Civics Practice Test 4
Week 5	Three Branches of Government	
	Legislative- Congress	
	Executive – President	
	Judicial- Courts	
	Understanding the Separation of power and check and balances	
	Abraham Lincoln- President of the Civil war	
	Testimony from previous students- who were successful with	
	the naturalization interview and exam	Civics Practice Test 5-6
Week 6	Very Important People of the United States	
	Susan B Anthony, Benjamin Franklin, Martin Luther kings	
	Nancy Pelosi, John G. Roberts Jr., Congressman Juan Vargas, and	
	Senators Alex Padilla, Dianne Feinstein	
	Basic knowledge of the geography of the United States	
	States that border Mexico and Canada	
	Two major rivers of the United States	
	Countries and oceans that border our country of the USA	Civics Practice Test 7
Week 7	Oath of Allegiance, Star-Spangled Banner and Pledge of	
	Allegiance	
	National, State and Local leaders	
	Important events in American history	Civics Practice Test 8
Week 8	State Government – Governor	
	Gavin Newsom	
	State Assembly	
	State Senate	
	California Supreme Court	Civics Practice Test 9
Week 9	USCIS Flash Cards Activity	
	Interview- expectations of the Naturalization interview	Civics Practice Test 10



Date or Week	Activity, Assignment, and/or Topic	Pages/ Due Dates/Tests
	USCIS- Interview video	
Week 10	Test review for final exam	
	Final Exam- Test 1 and Test 2	Final Exam Test 1 and Test 2

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Subject to change without prior notice\*\*\*