
Pre-AP Social Studies: Fostering Shared Principles

Overview: This workshop addresses the shared principles that build readiness for high school and beyond: close observation and analysis, higher-order questioning, academic conversation, and evidence-based writing. Through engagement with model lessons from the Pre-AP World History and Geography course, participants will explore how these interconnected shared principles, in partnership with the social studies areas of focus, help all students work with primary and secondary sources in the way that historians do.

Outcomes:

Participants will:

- Explore readiness through Pre-AP shared principles and social studies areas of focus.
- Analyze and participate in Pre-AP World History and Geography model lessons.
- Collaborate and design classroom activities that build readiness and meet the needs of all learners.

Key Ideas:

- All students can write like historians and geographers.
- The Pre-AP shared principles are interconnected and replicate the work of historians and geographers.
- Social studies readiness includes practice with the Pre-AP shared principles.

Agenda at a Glance (In-Person)

Welcome and Introduction to Pre-AP <i>45 minutes</i>
Exploring the Pre-AP Shared Principles and Social Studies Areas of Focus <i>40 minutes</i>
Model Lesson from Pre-AP World History and Geography—Part One <i>60 minutes</i>
Model Lesson from Pre-AP World History and Geography—Part Two <i>50 minutes</i>
Collaboration and Planning <i>90 minutes</i>
Group Share <i>30 minutes</i>
Reflection and Closing <i>15 minutes</i>

Agenda at a Glance: One-Day Model (Virtual)

Below is a sample agenda of a Pre-AP Readiness Workshop scheduled for one day. One-day workshops are 6 hours total (5 hours of instructional time, 1 hour of break time). There is a maximum of 28 participants per workshop.

Day One Schedule – 6 hours	
Segment 1	Welcome and Introduction to Pre-AP
Segment 2	Exploring the Pre-AP Shared Principles and Areas of Focus
Segment 3	Model Lesson and Classroom Application
	Lunch
Segment 4	Model Lesson and Classroom Application
Segment 5	Collaborative Planning
Segment 6	Group Share
Segment 7	Reflection and Next Steps

Agenda at a Glance: Two-Class Model (Virtual)

Below is a sample agenda of a Pre-AP Readiness Workshop scheduled across two classes. Participants meet twice within two weeks for 2 hours 30 min each class. There is a maximum of 28 participants per workshop.

Class One Schedule – 2.5 hours		Class Two Schedule – 2.5 hours	
Segment 1	Welcome and Introduction to Pre-AP	Segment 4	Welcome Back
		Segment 5	Model Lesson and Classroom Application
Segment 2	Exploring the Pre-AP Shared Principles and Areas of Focus	Segment 6	Collaborative Planning
Segment 3	Model Lesson and Classroom Application	Segment 7	Group Share
		Segment 8	Reflection and Next Steps