

# UNIVERSITY OF 2021

## CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM INFORMATION

The University of US is an after-school program designed to boost student knowledge of the U. S. Constitution to a higher level. Over the course of the school year, students participate in classes led by locally and nationally renowned instructors on topics related to the Constitution. Successful completers of the program are eligible to enter the U. S. Constitution Scholarship Foundation's essay competition for which five or more \$5,000 scholarships are awarded annually.

### **CLASS SESSIONS AND INSTRUCTORS FOR 2021 INCLUDE:**

1. Our American Heritage and Founders of the Constitution – Judge Adrian Soud
2. The Federalist Papers – Howard Pines and Caleb Bryan
3. Articles of the Constitution – Karin Agness Lips
4. Amendments to the Constitution – State Representative Cord Byrd and Judge Steven Fahlgren
5. Important Supreme Court Justices – Professor David Ardia
6. Notable Supreme Court Cases and The United States Judicial System – Professor Sharon Foster

**FINAL EXAM** – Will be taken on the last day of class (unless otherwise noted), April 19

### **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND ESSAY**

Further information regarding the scholarship application will be distributed in November.

Due Date: April 19, 2021

### **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

- The USCSF will again give five or more \$5,000 scholarships this year to students who complete the University of US program and successfully compete in the scholarship contest.
- Each student who successfully completes the program will be awarded a stipend of \$100.
- Each student who submits a qualifying essay to the scholarship competition will receive \$100.
- The program will begin in October and will feature monthly sessions in October, November, January, and February on the 4th Monday of each named month, and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in March and April, 4:30 – 6:45 PM. The classes will be held via an online conference program until circumstances allow for in-person meetings. Students must be visually present at each class.
- The programs feature fascinating local and national speakers.
- The speakers' programs are followed by interactive events among students, speakers and program staff.
- Snacks are served at each meeting if in-person meetings are held.
- Each student who completes the program receives a certificate of graduation.
- Students may attend multiple years of the program even if they've received a certificate of "graduation." Students may apply for the scholarships in both their junior and senior years, even if they have already been awarded a scholarship during a previous year.
- Participants in the program will receive their own copies of the Constitution.