

# Unit 4a Calendar - Congress

Text - Chapters 12, Online Resources, U.S. Constitution

Exam - October 25, 2011

- Online assignments are short, interactive activities that relate to daily topics.
- HCV -- HippoCampus Video (# refers to the numbering on the Unit 4a homepage on the website)
- Unit 4a Policy Project will be due on Friday, October 28. Details will be posted by Saturday, October 15.

	Topic	Preparation for Class	Due
10/10 Mon	<b><i>Intro to the Senate</i></b> Reading of "The Empty Chamber"		
10/11 Tue	Discuss "The Empty Chamber", Redistricting Game Congressional Approval Ratings <b>Quiz - Vocabulary Set A</b>	Study Vocabulary	SG #1-9
10/12 Wed	PSAT - Very Short Classes		
10/13 Thu	<b><i>Organization of the House</i></b> Leadership, Committees, Duties	Chapter 12, pp. 364-373 HCV - #1 & #2	SG #10-29
10/14 Fri	<b><i>Organization of the Senate</i></b> Leadership, Committees, Duties	Chapter 12, pp. 373-381 HCV - #3 & #4	SG #32-36
10/17 Mon	<b><i>The Legislative Process</i></b> How a Bill Becomes a Law	Online Interactive HCV - #5 & #6	Draft of Hearing Brief Online assignment #1
10/18 Tue	<b><i>Congress &amp; Executive Branch</i></b> Oversight, Iron Triangles, Confirmations, Lobbying, PACs, Iron Triangles	Chapter 12, pp. 381-383, ***Chapter 15, pp. 494-497 HCV - #7 & 8	SG #30-31
10/19 Wed	<b><i>Senate Confirmation Hearing</i></b> Senate Judiciary Simulation	Watch Preview Clips (Mandatory!)	Final Hearing Brief Online assignment #2
10/20 Thu	<b><i>West Wing - Stackhouse Filibuster</i></b> Legislative & Executive Branches		
10/21 Fri	<b>Quiz - Vocabulary Set B</b> <b><i>Congressional Elections &amp; Finance</i></b> Citizens United, PACs, Super PACs Re-election Rates, Incumbency	Review <i>Citizens United</i> PPT Chapter 12, pp. 352-364 HCV - #9	Online assignment #3
10/24 Mon	<b>FRQ EXAM</b> <b><i>Congress &amp; Interest Groups</i></b>	STUDY!	FRQ outlines Study Guide must be complete!
10/25 Tue	<b>M/C EXAM</b>	STUDY!	Study Guide is due