UTAH STUDIES

Essential Skills

The priority standards consist of the following skills:

- Concept Understanding: Demonstrate understanding of topics, concepts, and processes in social studies.
- Chronological Reasoning: Analyze causes, effects, and periodization in history.
- Source Analysis: Interpret and analyze primary and secondary sources.
- Comparison: Analyze similarities and differences between time periods, locations, events, etc.
- Communication: Demonstrate effective communication through speaking, writing, and listening.

Course Content

The priority standards/skills are taught, practiced, developed, and assessed through the course content as outlined below.

Utah's geography

- Physical geography of Utah
- Human geography of Utah
- Current issues in geography in Utah

Utah's history

- Native Americans in Utah's history
- Exploration
- Utah's history from 1847 to statehood

Utah's government

- Understanding government in Utah
- Participating in government in Utah

Utah's economy

- Agriculture, mining, and manufacturing in Utah
- Service industries in Utah
- Utah's economic outlook

