<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Unit #</th>
<th>Unit Title</th>
<th>Learning Goals</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>Section 1: History and Politics of the Census</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| 1     | Class logistics, introductions                 | • Census in the US constitution  
• Overview of US federal statistical platform  
• Major uses of census data  
  o Congressional Apportionment  
  o Electoral Votes (# of people per electoral vote)  
  o Redistricting  
  o Distribution of Federal funds                  |
| 2     | What information does the Census Bureau collect and why? | • Explain changes over time in the information collected by the census, and how those changes relate to historical events and policy debates in the United States.  
• Knowledge of the different censuses, surveys collected by Census Bureau |
| 3     | Role of censuses in constructing “race”        | • How has the census reflected and/or participated in racial formation in the United States?  
• Lessons from abroad |
| 4     | Recent debates and concerns about the Census   | • Undercounting  
• Citizenship question debate  
• Privacy Concerns |
|       | **Section 2: Impacts of Demographic Change on Politics/Policy** |                                                                               |
| 5     | Population ageing                              | • Trends  
• Impact on Voting/Elections  
  o Analyze CPS data on voting and registration by age  
• Policy implications:  
  o Labor force  
  o Social Securing and Medicare  
  o Security and Military Power |
| 6     | Changes in racial composition                  | • Trends  
  o Majority minority  
    • How definitions of race impact public reactions  
• Voter Demographics  
  o Analyze CPS data on voting and registration by race/ethnicity  
  o Is demography destiny? |
| 7     | Immigration                                    | • Immigration patterns and policies  
• New migrant destinations in US  
• Political impacts of immigration |
| 8     | Population gains/loss and Internal Migration   | • Urbanization trends  
• Rural population declines and implications for service provision  
• Implications for Congressional Apportionment |
| 9 | Gerrymandering | • Definition and History  
• Strategies  
• Redistricting criteria and reform  
• Cases in front of Supreme Court |
| 10 | Felony disenfranchisement and expansion of penal state | • History of state disenfranchisement  
• Who is disenfranchised? Racial disparities  
• Political and social impacts  
• Policy reforms in recent years  
• International comparisons |
| 11 | Gov. and Party responsiveness to demands of older population | • Youthful minority vs graying white population  
• Gov. spending on programs for elderly vs on children |
| 12-13 | Changing demography with public policy  
“Public policy has profound effects on demographic behavior” | • Focus on policies or lack thereof that have led to a reduction in fertility rates in US and other developed countries  
  ○ Gender equality policies  
    ▪ Women’s labor force participation  
    ▪ Lack of parental leave, or affordable childcare  
  • China’s one child policy |
| 14 | Report Presentations |