

ORIGINS AND FOUNDATIONS OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION

HISTORICAL/PHILISOPHICAL/INTELLECTUAL

- Ancient Greece- Democracy Concepts
- Ancient Rome- Republic Concepts
- English Constitutionalism
- John Locke- Natural Law
- Montesquieu- Separation of Powers
- The Federalist- Federal Republic

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UNIQUE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE

- Location
- Land
- Diversity
- New "American" Culture

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COLONIAL/AMERICAN ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENTS

- "Salutary Neglect"
- Revolutionary Period
- Declaration of Independence
- State Constitutional Conventions
- The Confederation Period
- Constitutional Convention of 1787
- Ratification Period 1787-89
- Federalists v. Anti-federalists

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