

Hot Button Issues : Drugs in America

Would you like to learn more about drug use in America?

This class focuses on the topic of drugs in America. Each class will include a relevant and current reading and lots of time to speak and express your opinions. This class will challenge you to think critically about an issue of great importance in the US and form your own opinions about this hot button issue.

Topics include:

- Changing perceptions of drugs in the US
- Legalization of drugs
- “The War on Drugs”
- Racism and drug policies
- Federal vs. State laws about marijuana
- Psychedelics
- The opioid epidemic
- Comparisons between Taiwan and US policies on drugs.

We will focus on developing 3 of the 4 language skills (listening, speaking and reading) and building relevant knowledge and vocabulary in order to understand and converse in English about US drug policy.