

Social Studies 9 Course Outline:

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Social Studies 9 is a required course for graduation. This course builds upon the foundation knowledge, skills and attitudes you have gained from Social Studies 8. It offers students and integrated approach to Canadian and global issues. Social Studies 9 contributes to the important goal of preparing students for their future lives as Canadian citizens and members of the international community. The curriculum is designed to engage you in challenges and changes of perspectives in a thoughtful and balanced manner. Throughout the course, students will develop the skills to approach persistent problems, questions, and issues with confidence and purpose.

We will achieve these goals by studying these areas in the assigned textbook:

Unit 1: Change Comes to Europe

Chapter 1 – The Modern Age
Chapter 2 – The Fight for Democracy and the English Civil War
Chapter 3 – Revolution in France
Chapter 4 – The Napoleonic Era
Chapter 5 – The Industrial Revolution

Unit 2: North America Beckons

Chapter 6 – Regional Geography of North America
Chapter 7 – The Native Peoples of Canada
Chapter 8 – Arrival in Canada – Exploration and settlement of Canada
Chapter 9 – Canada Moves West – Exploration and the Fur Trade
Chapter 10 – The American Revolution and British North America

Assignment Procedures:

Assignments will be given on a regular basis and must be completed on the due date assigned. **ALL**

ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE COMPLETED to receive course credit.

- Simply put, **IF YOU CANNOT HAND IN AN ASSIGNMENT BY THE DUE DATE, YOU WILL HAVE COMMUNICATED WITH ME AND ASKED FOR AN EXTENSION. THE CONSEQUENCE FOR NOT FOLLOWING THIS REASONABLE REQUEST WILL RESULT IN SUBSTANTIAL LOSS OF MARKS – AN ALTERNATIVE ESSAY ASSIGNMENT MAY BE ASSIGNED FOR COURSE CREDIT.**
- Any students who are planning to email assignments must also be responsible for a hard copy to be handed in, in the event of a technical difficulty.
- Any student planning on be absent must contact the school and/or myself to arrange for missed assignments. These assignments must be handed in upon return to the school
- **Assignment expectations:** double spaced, (title page and proper citation if asked for), written in blue or black INK but preferably typed / size 12 font.

Absent for a scheduled quiz / test:

YOUR MUST HAVE A NOTE that clearly states the reason why you were away and that your guardian(s) and or parent(s) are aware you have missed the quiz or test. Also, on this note you must write down your home telephone number. The test or quiz will be made up during non-instructional time on the first day back.

Extra help:

Extra help is available for any student who required assistance with the course or class assignments. I am generally available after school, but scheduled times may be setup to accommodate individual needs.

Departmental Exam: = 20% of total mark

As you are aware, at the end of this course, you will be writing a **departmental exam worth 20%** of your course mark. This is a graduation requirement and **all students must write this exam.**

Course Evaluation (This may be altered but I will let you know in advance)

Assignments (Terms / concepts / research charts / essay question outlines / written responses)	55
Chapter Tests (Unit exams)	20
Final Exam (Departmental exam)	20
Portfolio Assessment (Notebook / evidence of learning)	5
Total	100%