





Archbishop MacDonald Catholic High School

Course Social Studies 30-1 IB

Year 2025- 2026

Term Semester 1

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Resources Perspectives on Ideology (Oxford University Press, 2009)

IB Curriculum LINK

IB Overview Paper 1: Prescribed Subject 3

The Move to Global War - Covered in Social 20-1 IB

Paper 2: World History

Topic 10: Authoritarian states

This topic focuses on exploring the conditions that facilitated the rise of authoritarian states in the 20th century, as well as the methods used by parties and leaders to take and maintain power. Some examination questions will require discussion of states from more than one region of the world.

Paper 2: World History

Topic 12: The Cold war: Superpower tensions and rivalries (20th Century)
This topic focuses on how superpower rivalries did not remain static but changed according to styles of leadership, economic factors and crises involving client states.
This topic aims to promote an international perspective on the Cold War by requiring the study of Cold War leaders, countries, and crises from more than one region of the

world.

Paper 3: HL History of Europe

8: The French Revolution (covered in Social 20-1 IB)

15: Diplomacy ion Europe (1919 – 1945)

16: The Soviet Union and post-Soviet Russia (1924 – 2000)

Internal Assessment (I.A.)

In addition, a final copy of the Historical Investigation (H.I) will be written. This is a problem-solving activity that enables students to demonstrate the application of their skills and knowledge to a historical topic that interests them and that does not necessarily need to be related to the syllabus. This Internal Assessment allows for flexibility. The emphasis must be on a specific historical inquiry that enables the student to develop and apply the skills of a historian by selecting and analyzing a good range of source material and managing diverse interpretations. The activity demands students search for, select, evaluate, and use evidence to reach a relevant conclusion.

IB Assessment

Only content from the Alberta Program of Studies affects the course grade. IB content is assessed formatively using IB standards.

The following papers are assessed in Year 2 during the World History Course

Paper 1 20%

Paper 2 25%

Paper 3 35%

Internal Assessment 20%