

Sydney Academy

History Pre-IB 10 2011-2012

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I Course Description

In this pre- International Baccalaureate History course, emphasis is placed on understanding the interconnections between historical events. A great deal of time is spent on student writing. The many assignments serve to nurture in students an appreciation of analysis and evaluation in the historical context. The course treats material from the beginnings of humanity up to the Renaissance in Europe.

II Student Assessment

The following are assessment objectives for the grade 10 Pre-IB course. The student will be expected to:

1. Comprehend, analyze, evaluate and integrate source material as historical evidence.
2. Demonstrate historical understanding of world history through acquisition, selection, effective use and synthesis of knowledge.
3. Explain different approaches to, and interpretations of, historical events and topics.
4. Place events in their historical context.
5. Explain the causes and effects of historical continuity and change.
6. Present arguments that are clear, coherent, relevant and well-substantiated.

Assessment will include marks for formal essay assignments, document study, in-class essays, group presentations, homework, a comprehensive test and a final exam **If a student is sick on the day of an assignment and/or project, the assignment must still be sent to the school on the due date. It may be dropped off at the school or emailed. In the case of serious or prolonged illness, alternate arrangements can be made. Assignments not received on the due date will be considered late and two points will be deducted per day. Homework and assignments may be viewed sacademy@cbv.ns.ca. PLEASE READ OUR SCHOOL POLICY REGARDING ABSENTEEISM IN SYDNEY ACADEMY'S COMMUNICATION PLAN**

Semester Evaluation

Homework	5%
Group Presentations	10%
In-class Essays	15%
Formal Essays/Document Study	20%
Comprehensive Test (November)	20%
Final Exam (January)	30%

III Communication

Communication with parents/guardians will take place through use of formal report cards and regularly scheduled parent/teacher sessions. If required, further contact will take place via telephone and arranged meetings, and by email. **The school website contains current information and a homework page.**

Parents/guardians may contact me through Sydney Academy's Main Office at 562-5464 or by email at beatonj3@staff.ednet.ns.ca