

Modern History

2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC
 Board Developed Course
 Exclusions: Nil

Course Description:

The study of Modern History engages students in an investigation of the forces that have shaped the world, based on the analysis and interpretation of sources. It offers students the opportunity to investigate the possible motivations and actions of individuals and groups, and how they have shaped the world politically, culturally, economically and socially. Modern History stimulates students' curiosity and imagination and enriches their appreciation of humanity by introducing them to a range of historical developments and experiences that have defined the modern world.

Modern History enables students to trace the historical background of contemporary issues and to explore the significance of individuals, events and ideas. It equips students with knowledge, understanding and skills to help them examine and make sense of the world around them.

Modern History provides students with opportunities to explore their interest and curiosity about people and events that have had a significant impact on the modern world. It provides insight into the possible motivations and role of individuals and groups, as well as the origin and impact of ideas and developments that have transformed societies.

Main Topics Covered;

	Modern History	Indicative hours
Year 11 course (120 hours)	Investigating Modern History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Case Study A: Decline and Fall of the Romanovs OR History and Memory ● Case Study B: Origins of Arab-Israeli Conflict OR Representation and Commemoration of the Past 	40
	Historical Investigation Contestability of the Past: How can we <i>prove</i> who killed JFK?	40
	The Shaping of the Modern World World War I	40

	Modern History	Indicative hours
Year 12 course (120 hours)	Core Study: Power and Authority in the Modern World 1919–1946 – Rise of Dictatorships and the Nazi Regime in Germany	30
	National Study: Russia and the Soviet Union 1917-1941	30
	Peace and Conflict Study: EITHER Conflict in Europe 1935-1945 OR Arab-Israeli Conflict 1948-1996	30
	Change in the Modern World Study: EITHER Apartheid in South Africa 1960-1994 OR The Nuclear Age 1945-2011	30