

# FOREST HILL COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

Course: West and the World, Grade 12 University Credit Value 1.0

**Department:** Canadian and World Studies

Course Code: CHY4U1

**Prerequisites:** Any university or university/college preparation course in Canadian and

World Studies, English, or Social Sciences and Humanities.

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#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course investigates the major trends in Western civilization and world history from the sixteenth century to the present. Students will learn about the interaction between the emerging West and other regions of the world and about the development of modern social, political, and economic systems. They will use critical-thinking and communication skills to investigate the historical roots of contemporary issues and present their conclusions.

### **UNITS OF STUDY:**

Unit 1: Foundations and Institutions Challenged 1600–1715

Unit 2: Tradition, Absolutism, and Revolution 1715–1815

Unit 3: The Promethean Spirit Unleashed 1815–1914

Unit 4: 1914 to the present – Century of Extremes

### CATEGORIES OF ASSESSMENT & EVALUATION:

Knowledge & Understanding	Thinking	Communication	Application
Subject-specific content acquired in each course (knowledge), and the comprehension of its meaning and significance (understanding)	The use of critical and creative thinking skills and/or processes	The conveying of meaning and expression through various forms.	The use of knowledge and skills to make connections within and between various contexts.

### **EVALUATION BREAKDOWN**

Students will be given numerous and varied opportunities to demonstrate the full extent of their achievement of the curriculum expectations across all four categories of knowledge and skills.

Achievement Strands		Final Mark	
Knowledge/Understanding	25%	Term Work: (70%)	
Thinking/Inquiry	25%		
Communication	25%	Culminating Activity: (30 %)	
Application	25%		

### **LEARNING SKILLS**

Learning Skills are skills and habits are essential to success in school and in the workplace. The Learning Skills evaluated are: Responsibility, Organization, Independent work, Collaboration, Initiative and Self-regulation. Teachers report achievement on the five Learning Skills using letter symbols: E = Excellent, G = Good, S = Satisfactory, N = Needs Improvement.

Learning Skills clearly affect levels of achievement, but they are *not* part of the evaluation of achievement and are not included in the midterm mark or final course mark. Success in this course will be achieved by assignment completion which demonstrates successful meeting of the curricular expectations of the course as well as good attendance, punctuality, and academic integrity.

#### **ACHIEVEMENT**

- Students will have the opportunity to be assessed on an on-going basis throughout the
  course using a variety of assessment strategies including, but not limited to,
  self/peer/teacher observations, verbal feedback, student journals, checklists, and
  conferencing.
- Students need to demonstrate achievement of all overall expectations of the course. Missed
  or incomplete assignments will have a direct impact on the final grade. Where there are a
  significant number of curriculum expectations that have not been evaluated because of
  missed assignments, the credit will not be granted.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Students are expected to attend class on a daily basis. A significant number of absences will have a negative impact on the student's performance. If a student cannot attend school due to illness or for any other serious circumstance, the school must be contacted.

### **ACADEMIC HONESTY**

Students are expected to submit only their own original work on evaluations done in class or out of class. Plagiarism the passing off the ideas or writings of another as one's own. Cases of academic dishonesty (cheating and/or plagiarism) will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis, but each case will involve an investigation, communication with the student and his/her parent/guardian, and a mark of zero for the plagiarized work. Whether the student has an opportunity to demonstrate his/her learning in another assignment will be at the discretion of the teacher and/or Principal.

In today's rapid paced world, time management is a required skill for success. It is expected that students will submit work on time according to preset dates. This ensures students will have time to complete all schoolwork. If a student cannot complete an assignment on schedule it is expected the student will discuss this with the teacher prior to the due date. Under certain circumstances the teacher may, but is not required to, negotiate a later due date.

# **Determining Marks for the Midterm Provincial Reports in November and April**

This grade will be based on the evaluations that have been conducted to the midterm point in the course. Some of the Overall Expectations, categories/strands, and units will not have been addressed by the midterm, and the students' grades will most likely change when the students' entire work is evaluated by the end of the course.

## **Determining the Mark for the Final Report Card**

LATE WORK

The mark for the final report card will be the sum of the 70% mark and the 30% mark.