

World History to the Sixteenth Century, Grade 11, University / College Preparation (CHW3M1)

This course explores the history of various societies and civilizations around the world, from earliest times to around 1500 CE. Students will investigate a range of factors that contributed to the rise, success, and decline of various ancient and pre-modern societies throughout the world and will examine life in and the cultural and political legacy of these societies. Students will extend their ability to apply the concepts of historical thinking and the historical inquiry process, including the interpretation and analysis of evidence, when investigating social, political, and economic structures and historical forces at work in various societies and in different historical eras.

Prerequisite: Canadian History since World War I, Grade 10, Academic or Applied

Early Societies & Rising Civilizations

Early humans and Ancestors

- Paleolithic vs Neolithic societies
- The Neolithic Revolution & emergence of complex societies

Agricultural Revolution

- Permanent settlements
- Development of Characteristics of a Civilization

The Influence & Legacy of Dominant Civilizations

The Rise of Great Civilizations

- Factors that contributed to the rise of civilizations
- How civilizations thrived
- The decline and legacies of civilizations

Legacies and Connections

- How the Ancient World influenced and impacted the Modern World
- Societal, cultural, political, technological and economic connections (past to present)

Concepts of Historical Thinking & The Inquiry Process

Historical Thinking

- Historical Significance
- Cause & Consequence
- Continuity & Change
- Historical Perspective

The Inquiry Process

- Investigation and communication of events, developments, issues and ideas
- Analyzing primary sources