Sir John A. Macdonald Collegiate Institute Course Brief 2020

Course Name	Challenge and Change in Society		Grade	12
Course Code	HSB4U		Credit Value	1
Pre-Requisite	Any University/College preparation course in Social Sciences Humanities, English, or Canadian and World Studies	Or Recommended Pre- Requisite	Introduction to ANT, PSY, SOC: HSP 3U	
Type of Course	University Preparation			

TEXTBOOKS

Challenge and Change

REPLACEMENT COST (if lost or damaged) \$65.00

Course Description

This course focuses on the use of social science theories, perspectives, and methodologies to investigate and explain shifts in knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and behaviour and their impact on society. Students will critically analyse how and why cultural, social, and behavioural patterns change over time. They will explore the ideas of social theorist and use those ideas to analyse causes of and responses to challenges such as technological change, deviance, and global inequalities. Students will explore ways in which social science methods can be used to study social change.

Assessment and Evaluation Achievement Categories:

Knowledge and Understanding: Subject-specific content acquired in each grade/course (knowledge), and the comprehension of its meaning and significance (understanding)

Thinking: The use of critical and creative thinking skills and/or processes

Communication: The conveying of meaning through various forms

Application: The use of knowledge and skills to make connections within and between various contexts

Historical Inquiry and Skill Development

The Historical Inquiry and Skill Development will be interwoven with instruction and learning throughout each unit and is to be assessed and evaluated throughout the course.

Assessment and Evaluation of Student Achievement

Unit	Unit Title/Description	Evaluation Task	Achievement Chart Focus
Unit 1	Social Change	Presentations, Report,	Knowledge and Understanding,
		test,	Thinking, Communication and
			Application
Unit 2	Social Patterns and Trends	Presentations, reports,	Knowledge and Understanding,
011112		test	Thinking, Communication and
			Application
			Application
Unit 3	Global Social Challenges	Essay, test	Knowledge and Understanding,
			Thinking, Communication and
			Application
Unit 4	Course Culminating Activity	Seminar/Google slides	Knowledge and Understanding,
	с, ,	presentations	Thinking, Communication and
		Exam	Application

Evaluation Tasks are subject to change with teacher's professional judgement

Levels of Achievement

For Grades 9 to 12, a student's achievement of the overall curriculum expectations will be evaluated in accordance with the achievement charts in the provincial curriculum and will be reported using percentage marks.

Achievement Level	Percentage Mark	Achievement Description	
	Range		
HL4/L4+	95 – 100	Level 4 identifies achievement that surpasses the provincial standard. The student	
L4	87 – 94	demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with a high degree of	
LL4/L4-	80 – 86	effectiveness.	
HL3/L3+	77 – 79	Level 3 represents the provincial standard for achievement. The student	
L3	73 – 76	demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with considerable effectiveness.	
LL3/L3-	70 – 72	Parents of students achieving at level 3 can be confident that their children will be	
		prepared for work in subsequent grades/courses	
HL2/L2+	67 – 69	Level 2 represents achievement that approaches the provincial standard. The	
L2	63 – 66	student demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with some effectiveness.	
LL2/L2-	60 – 62	Students performing at this level need to work on identified learning gaps to ensure	
		future success.	
HL1/L1+	57 – 59	Level 1 represents achievement that falls much below the provincial standard. The	
L1	53 – 56	student demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with limited effectiveness.	
LL1/L1-	50 – 52	Students must work at significantly improving learning in specific areas, as	
		necessary, if they are to be successful in the next grade/course	

Students who achieve below 50% have not met curriculum expectations; a credit will not be granted.

Learning Skills	Assessment of Learning Skills	
Responsibility		
Organization	Excellent (E)	
Independent Work	Good (G)	
Collaboration	Satisfactory (S)	
Initiative	Needs Improvement (N)	
Self-Regulation		

Weighting by Strands/Categories					
Knowledge and Understanding	17.5	Communication	17.5		
Thinking	17.5	Application	17.5		
Culminating Activity	30%				

Assessment and Evaluation Strategies: the following is a list of potential A/E strategies used within the course; the list

 \rightarrow

 \rightarrow

may not be exhaustive and is subject to change

- → Unit Tests
- → Written Assignments

- Reading Response
 - Reflections
- → Oral Presentations (Independent and group)
- → Debates
- → Library/Lab Research Projects

CALCULATION OF FINAL MARK

ightarrow 70% for evaluations conducted throughout the course

ightarrow 30% for a Culminating Activity – the C/A will occur in the final 6 weeks of the course