

International Baccalaureate Higher Level History Year I
Regional Study: Europe From the French Revolution to World War I

This course will fulfill the regional requirements of the International Baccalaureate History Course. The content of the course focuses on European history from the French Revolution to World War I.

Term 1

I. Introduction

- A. Review of Historiography (from pre IB) - Evaluating primary and secondary sources
- B. Brief overview of European development from the Classical Heritage of Rome and Greece to the late middle ages
- C. The Renaissance, Reformation, and the Wars of Religion
- D. Constitutionalism in England, Absolutism in France

II. French Revolution: Causes, courses, effects

- A. Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment
- B. Louis XIV, Louis XV The rise and Challenge to Absolutism
- C. Louis XVI and the Acién Régime
- D. Political, fiscal and economic problems
- E. The moderate phase: Constitutional Monarchy
- F. Radical phase: Girondins, Jacobins, D'anton and the Paris Commune, Robespierre and Committee for Public Safety
- G. The reactionary phase - the Directory

III. Napoleon I

- A. Napoleon's Rise
- B. Domestic Policy
- C. Foreign Wars
- D. The Last Hundred Days

IV. The Age of Reaction 1815 - 1853

- A. The Congress of Vienna and Concert of Europe; The Metternich System
- B. Restored Bourbons: Louis XVIII, Charles X, Louis Philippe
- C. Rise of liberalism and nationalism 1819 - 1830 Belgium, Greece, Spain, France
- D. Prussia, Austria 1848
- E. Italy 1848
- F. France - 1848 - 1853 From National Workshops to the Second Empire

V. 19th century economic and social developments

- A. Agricultural Changes
- B. Industrialization
- C. Urbanization, population growth
- D. Transportation
- E. Rise of unions, social legislation, early feminism
- F. Development of ideologies: Marxism, socialism, liberalism, nationalism

VI. Russia and Eastern Europe in the second half of the 19th Century

- A. Russian territorial aims, the decline of the Ottoman Empire, eastern question
- B. Crimean War, Balkan nationalism, Poland

VII. Italian Unification

- A. Growth of power of Piedmont-Sardinia
- B. Cavour - the head, Mazzini the heart, and Garibaldi the sword

VIII. The Unification of Germany

- A. industrialization of Prussia
- B. Zollverein
- C. Wars of Unification Denmark, Austria, and France

IX. German and Prussia 1870 - 1914

- A. Bismarck's Domestic Policy
- B. dual monarchy in Austria-Hungary
- C. Bismarck's alliance system
- D. Wilhelmine Germany 1890 -1914
- E. Russia, Austria and Balkan Nationalism

X. The Causes, Course and effects of the First World War

- A. long term, short term and immediate causes of the war
- B. campaigns, war at sea, effects on civilian population
- C. defeat of the central powers
- D. social and economic changes during and after the war
- E. the Paris Peace settlements

XI. Exploring Nationalism (Alberta Social Studies Curriculum)

- A. Related Issue One: To what extent should Nation be the foundation of Identity?
- B. Related Issue Two: To what extent should national interests be pursued?
- C. Related Issue Three: To what extent should internationalism be pursued?
- D. Related Issue Four: To what extent should individuals or groups in Canada embrace a national identity?

Evaluation:

Term 1

Daily assignments, homework checks, projects/presentations, tests and quizzes 75%

Midterm25%

Term 2

Success in this course requires active participation, prompt completion of assignments and a well developed work ethic.

Daily assignments, homework checks, projects/presentations, tests and quizzes 65%

Midterm 10%

Final Exam 25%

Instructor: _____
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Resources: Bold faced are our primary sources

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