

 OTTAWA CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD	Grade 12 Challenge and Change in Society HSB4U	Inspired Education. Inspiring Students.
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Teacher: **Teacher Name**

Prerequisite Course: Any university or university/college preparation course in social sciences and humanities, English, or Canadian and world studies

Description and Overall Expectations: 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 theorists 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 research methods can be used to study social change.

Research And Inquiry Skills: Exploring: explore topics related to the analysis of social change, and formulate questions to guide their research; Investigating: create research plans, and locate and select information relevant to their chosen topics, using appropriate social science research and inquiry methods; Processing Information: assess, record, analyse, and synthesize information gathered through research and inquiry; Communicating and Reflecting: communicate the results of their research and inquiry clearly and effectively, and reflect on and evaluate their research, inquiry, and communication skills.

Social Change: Foundations for the Study of Social Change: demonstrate an understanding of the major theories, perspectives, and methodologies related to social change; Causes and Effects of Social Change: demonstrate an understanding of the causes and effects of social change; Technological Change: demonstrate an understanding of patterns and effects of technological change from a social science perspective.

Social Patterns And Trends: Demographics: demonstrate an understanding of the importance of demographics as a tool for studying social patterns and trends, both nationally and globally; Forces That Shape Social Trends: demonstrate an understanding of how forces influence and shape social patterns and trends; Social Deviance: demonstrate an understanding of social science theories about social deviance, and of how various responses to deviance affect individuals and society.

Global Social Challenges: Global Inequalities: demonstrate an understanding of how various social structures and conditions support or limit global inequalities; Globalization: assess the impact of globalization on individuals and groups; Exploitation: analyse the impact of unfair or unjust exploitation of people or resources, locally and globally.

Course Resources: Key resource(s) along with supplementary resources / digital tools and sites / passwords; include replacement cost for resources if lost/damaged.

Catholic Graduate Expectations: Our goal for all students is to experience an education based on our Catholic Graduate Expectations. (<http://www.iceont.ca>) We work in community to develop graduates that are:

- Discerning Believers Formed in the Catholic Faith Community
- Effective Communicators
- Reflective and Creative Thinkers
- Self-Directed, Responsible, Life-Long Learners
- Collaborative Contributors
- Caring Family Members
- Responsible Citizens

Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting: The primary purpose of assessment and evaluation is to improve student learning. Students will understand what is expected of them, using learning goals, and success criteria, based on the overall expectations. Feedback (self, peer, teacher) supports learning, and plays a critical role in academic achievement and success.

The development of learning skills and work habits is a key indicator of future success. The following learning skills and work habits will be developed, assessed, and reported during this course:

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| 1. Responsibility | fulfills responsibilities and commitments (<i>e.g. accepts and acts on feedback</i>) |
| 2. Organization | manages time to complete tasks and achieve goals (<i>e.g. meets goals, on time</i>) |
| 3. Independent work | uses class time appropriately to complete tasks (<i>e.g. monitors own learning</i>) |
| 4. Collaboration | works with others, promotes critical thinking (<i>e.g. provides feedback to peers</i>) |
| 5. Initiative | demonstrates curiosity and an interest in learning (<i>e.g. sets high goals</i>) |
| 6. Self-Regulation | sets goals, monitors progress towards achieving goals (<i>e.g. sets, reflects goals</i>) |

Group work supports collaboration, an important 21st century skill. This will be assessed only as a learning skill. Homework may also be assessed as a learning skill. Evaluation completed in class will be based only on individual student work. Regular attendance is important to support group work, various forms of feedback, and to allow students to demonstrate evidence of their learning. Students are responsible for providing evidence of their own learning (with references where required), in class, within given timelines. Next steps in response to academic integrity issues, such as lack of work completion, plagiarism, or other forms of cheating, range from providing alternate opportunities, to a deduction of marks.

The achievement chart identifies four levels, based on achievement of the overall expectations:

Level 1	achievement falls below the provincial standard	(50-59%)
Level 2	achievement approaches the provincial standard	(60-69%)
Level 3	achievement is at the provincial standard	(70-79%)
Level 4	achievement surpasses the provincial standard	(80-100%)

The report card grade will be based on evidence of student performance, including observations, conversations and student products. Consideration will be given to more recent evidence (skill development) and the most consistent level of achievement.

Mark Breakdown:

Term Work (70%) will include a variety of assessment tasks designed to demonstrate students' development in their knowledge and understanding, thinking and inquiry, communication and application, of all overall expectations.

Summative evaluation (30%) takes place towards the end of the semester, is completed in class, and provides the final opportunity for students to demonstrate what they know, and the skills they have learned, based on the overall expectations. In HSB4U, the summative evaluation will consist of a rich summative assessment task (15%) and a final exam (15%).

Awarding of Course Credit: Students who demonstrate evidence of achievement of overall expectations, **and** earn a mark of 50% or greater, will earn one credit for the course with the following exception:

Students who do not complete their summative evaluation (exam and/or end of year summative task) will not earn their credit regardless of their mark.

Student and Parent/Guardian Acknowledgement

We have read the above course outline and are aware of the student responsibilities to attend class on a regular basis and to provide evidence of learning within the established timelines.

Student's Name (print): _____ Student's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____