

Grade Course	S1 Advanced	Subject	Contemporary Society
Class Hours	3 / Week		

Competencies

① Investigation	To formulate questions, carry out research, and communicate understanding about contemporary global issues.
② Intercultural Understanding	Develop knowledge of different controversial issues and challenges and understanding of various contemporary issues and perspectives.
③ Creativity	Critically evaluate different solutions to contemporary problems.

3	Produce written responses and presentation which explain different interpretations for dealing with contemporary issues, citing independently researched examples and evidence.	Critically evaluate current policy approaches to contemporary issues and reach independent conclusions.	Independently research and use evidence to evaluate the effectiveness of current policy responses to contemporary issues and make comparisons between approaches in different countries.
2	Apply key terms to be able to explain contemporary issues and debates.	Understand and be able to explain a range of perspectives on contemporary issues and explain current policy approaches to these.	To be able to critically analyze and compare different policy approaches for dealing with a range of contemporary issues.
1	Understand and define key terms, such as human rights, capital punishment, refugees, separation of powers.	Understand and explain the reasons for different approaches to contemporary issues and the influence and impact this has on individuals and society.	Apply key terms and concepts to specific contemporary issues and case studies.
	A Recognition	B Logical Thinking	C Creative Thinking

Term	Month	Unit	Unit Goals	Activities
1	4	Human Rights	To be able to define key terms and concepts related to human rights. To be able to explain human rights issues and debates such as the balancing of rights and responsibilities. Carry out an independent research project and evaluation of a contemporary human rights issue.	Source evaluation; Note taking; Sorting tasks; Quizzes; Independent research; Group discussions; Debates; Presentations; Extended writing.
	5	Crime and Punishment	To be able to define key terms and concepts related to crime and punishment. To be able to explain different perspectives on the causes of criminality and approaches to the rehabilitation and punishment of offenders. Produce an extended evaluation of a contemporary crime and punishment issue.	
	6	Migration and Refugees	To be able to define key terms and concepts related to migration and refugees. To be able to explain different perspectives on refugees. Produce an extended evaluation of refugee policy.	
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2	9 10 11 12	Government and Civil Society	<p>To be able to define key terms and concepts related to government and civil society.</p> <p>To be able to explain different approaches to government and participation in civil society.</p> <p>Produce extended evaluations of contemporary debates and issues related to government and civil society in different countries.</p>	<p>Source evaluation; Note taking; Sorting tasks; Quizzes; Independent research; Group discussions; Debates; Presentations; Extended writing.</p>
3	1 2 3	N/A	Begin WACE Modern History course.	