

**CANADIAN & WORLD STUDIES/
SOCIAL SCIENCES
GRADE 12
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

GEOGRAPHY

Canadian and World Issues: A Geographic Analysis

Grade 12, University Preparation

CGW4U

This course examines the global challenges of creating a sustainable and equitable future, focusing on current issues that illustrate these challenges. Students will investigate a range of topics, including cultural, economic, and geopolitical relationships, regional disparities in the ability to meet basic human needs, and protection of the natural environment. Students will use geotechnologies and skills of geographic inquiry and analysis to develop and communicate balanced opinions about the complex issues facing Canada and a world that is interdependent and constantly changing.

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

HISTORY

World History: The West and the World, Grade 12, University Preparation

CHY4U

This course investigates the major trends in Western civilization and world history from the sixteenth century to the present. Students will learn about the interaction between the emerging West and other regions of the world and about the development of modern social, political, and economic systems. They will use critical-thinking and communication skills to investigate the historical roots of contemporary issues and present their conclusions.

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

World History: The West and the World

Grade 12, College Preparation

CHY4C

This course explores the history of the world since the sixteenth century, emphasizing the interaction between the emerging West and other regions of the world. Students will learn about a variety of economic, social, and political systems and the changes they have undergone over time. Students will apply their developing skills of historical inquiry to understand and communicate ideas about the forces that have formed our modern world.

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

LAW

Canadian and International Law Grade 12, University Preparation CLN4U

This course examines elements of Canadian and international law in social, political, and global contexts. Students will study the historical and philosophical sources of law and the principles and practices of international law and will learn to relate them to issues in Canadian society and the wider world. Students will use critical-thinking and communication skills to analyse legal issues, conduct independent research, and present the results of their inquiries in a variety of ways.

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

Legal Studies, Grade 12 College Preparation **CLN4C**

This course provides a foundation for students who wish to pursue a career that requires an understanding of law. Students will explore the importance of law, analysing contemporary legal issues and their relevance to daily life. They will investigate the requirements for various law-related careers as well as legal responsibilities in the workplace. Students will apply the concepts of legal thinking and the legal studies inquiry process to investigate their rights and responsibilities, legal processes and structures, and the role of law in a changing society.

Prerequisite – Grade 10 Civics

POLITICS

Canadian and World Politics, Grade 12, University Preparation CPW4U

This course examines Canadian and world politics from a variety of perspectives. Students will investigate the ways in which individuals, groups, and states work to influence domestic and world events, the role of political ideologies in national and international politics, and the dynamics of international cooperation and conflict resolution. Students will apply critical thinking and communication skills to develop and support informed opinions about current political conflicts, events, and issues.

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