

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Semester I

Year 12

Modern History

FAIRHOLME HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT

Course: YEAR 12 MODERN HISTORY

Outline: SEMESTER 1, 2017

Introduction:

Studies of Power

Term One

- Background Study: What Makes a Person Powerful?
- Inquiry Topic: The rise of the Nazis and the Application of Power by the Nazis Or Rise of Another Regime e.g. Mussolini/ Stalin.
- Inquiry: Dictatorial regimes around the world

Term Two

- Inquiry Topic: Communist China Or Another Communist Regime e.g. Russia.
- Concluding Study: Drawing conclusions from the Inquiry Topics about the use of force to gain and maintain power.

Throughout the semester, students should also develop skills in:

- identifying issues or problems for investigation
- developing and focusing research questions, hypotheses and sub-questions
- devising formats for research that suit the purpose of the research task
- locating and using a variety of primary and secondary sources
- maintaining a coherent record of research
- displaying initiative and independence in the planning and management of all stages of the research process
- demonstrating evaluation of the research process and findings, and ongoing revision of the research process as a consequence.
- understanding the nature of historical sources of evidence, assumptions about the problematic character of historical sources, and the tentative and interpretive qualities of historical knowledge
- evaluating the worth of sources. This will involve students in assessing the reliability, authenticity, representativeness, relevance and accuracy of the sources and in identifying value positions, perspectives and standpoints in their historical context.
- demonstrating an attitude of reflection on and revision of judgments made.

Assessment Summary:

Term One

Week	Date	Assessment Task	Formative/Summative
6 (Wk B)	Wednesday 1 st March Friday 3 rd March	Response to Stimulus Test (Part A) Response to Stimulus Test (Part B)	Summative

Term Two

Week	Date	Assessment Task	Formative/Summative
3 (Wk A)	Tuesday 2 nd May	Inquiry Log	Summative
6 (Wk B)	Monday 22 nd May	Essay	Summative
7/8	Assessment Block	Extended Written Response to Historical Evidence	Summative

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of the
Humanities
is to make
us truly
human in
the best
sense of the
word...*

J. Irwin Miller