

AP World History: Modern

Course Description:

In AP World History: Modern, students investigate significant events, individuals, developments, and processes from 1200 to the present. Students develop and use the same skills, practices, and methods employed by historians: analyzing primary and secondary sources; developing historical arguments; making historical connections; and utilizing reasoning about comparison, causation, and continuity and change over time. The course provides six themes that students explore throughout the course in order to make connections among historical developments in different times and places: humans and the environment, cultural developments and interactions, governance, economic systems, social interactions and organization, and technology and innovation.

Academic Suitability:

There are no prerequisites for AP World History: Modern. Students should be able to read a college-level textbook and write grammatically correct, complete sentences.

Out of Class Commitment:

Students should expect to spend 5-8 hours per week outside of class working on AP World History: Modern. Homework is assigned nightly and includes reading, evaluating primary and secondary sources, analyzing claims, evidence, and reasoning you find in sources, putting historical developments in context and making connections between them. Practicing multiple choice, SAQs, LAQs, and DBQs.

Summer Suggested Preparation:

A History of the World in 6 Glasses by Tom Standage

School Issued Text Name:

Traditions and Encounters: A Global Perspective on the Past. Bently/Ziegler

Additional Resources:

AMSCO Advanced Placement Edition World History: Modern (1200-Present)

[College Board Course At a Glance found on the College Board AP website](#)