Course Description

The Preliminary course is structured to provide students with opportunities to investigate the role of key features, issues, individuals, groups, events and concepts from the C19th to the present using the methods of historical inquiry.

The HSC course provides the opportunity for students to investigate in depth a source-based study of World War I. They also study key features and issues in the history of ONE country during the C20th, ONE personality and ONE international study in peace and conflict.

Main Topics Covered

Preliminary Course

- **Part 1: Case Studies (50%)**
  - At least TWO Case Studies should be undertaken (see below).
- **Part II: Historical Investigation (20%)**
  - The investigation can be either integrated into any aspect of the Preliminary course or attempted as one project, individually or as part of a group.
- **Part III: Core Study: The World at the Beginning of the C20th (30%)**
  - A source-based approach is to be used.

HSC Course

- **Part I: Core Study: World War I: 1914-1919: A source-based study (25%)**
- **Part II: ONE National Study (25%)**
- **Part III: ONE Personality in the C20th (25%)**
- **Part IV: ONE International Study in Peace and Conflict (25%)**

Particular Course Requirements

In the Preliminary course, **one Case Study** must be from Europe, North America or Australia (see list A on p.18 of the syllabus).

**One Case Study** must be from Asia, the Pacific, Africa, the Middle East or Central/South America (see list B on p.18 of the syllabus).

The Historical Investigation and choice of Case Study must not overlap or duplicate significantly any topic attempted for the HSC Modern History or History Extension courses.

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