



ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

Contact Information	Teacher Name: Site Phone Number: Teacher Email:
Prerequisite	A course mark of 50% or higher in Social Studies 20-2
Required Materials & Resources	Textbook: Understanding of Ideologies
Course Overview Students will examine the origins, values and components of competing ideologies. They will explore multiple perspectives regarding relationships among individualism, liberalism, common good and collectivism. An examination of various political and economic systems will allow students to determine the viability of the values of liberalism. Developing understandings of the roles and responsibilities associated with citizenship will encourage students to respond to emergent global issues.	
Key Issue	Key Outcome
To what extent should we embrace an ideology?	Students will understand, assess and respond to the complexities of ideologies.
Related Issues	General Outcomes
1. Should ideology be the foundation of identity?	Students will explore the relationship between identity and ideology.
2. Is resistance to liberalism justified?	Students will understand impacts of, and reactions to, liberalism
3. Are the values of liberalism viable?	Students will understand the extent to which the values of liberalism are viable in a contemporary world.
4. Should my actions as a citizen be shaped by an ideology?	Students will understand their rights, roles and responsibilities as citizens.
Assessment	The student's grade will be calculated based on the following: Course Weightings Major Assessments - 35% Assignments - 20% Quizzes - 25% Final Summative Assessment - 20% *Final Grade: 70% of the school grade will be combined with 30% of the diploma exam grade to calculate an overall final grade Alternative Education does not publish report cards. Parents and students are encouraged to keep up to date on PowerSchool and contact their teacher if there are any issues.
Important Note Regarding Assessment	A wide range of assessment information is used in the development of a student's final grade. In Edmonton Catholic Schools, individualized assessments provide specific information regarding student progress and overall performance in class. Assessment may vary from student to student, differentiating for various student needs. It should also be noted that not all assignments are used to determine the final grade, and that scale factors may have been used to determine the weight of individual assignments.