

## World History & Philosophy Course Key Facts

Location	Online (live, not pre-recorded)
Class size	Maximum 15 students
Ages	15-18
Fees	£995 (2 weeks)
Dates	June - August (see our <u>booking form</u> for the latest availability)
Timings	Live tutorials take place from 1-3pm UK time
Outcome	Certificate of Achievement and personalised Letter of Recommendation

## World History & Philosophy Course Outline

Class	Class Content and Lesson Objectives	
1	Introduction to World History and Philosophy + Ancient Civilizations  Overview of the course and goals  The importance of understanding world history and philosophy  Overview of the major ancient civilizations (e.g. Mesopotamia, Egypt)  Key events, achievements, and contributions of these civilisations  Hands-on Research Project  Brief on research project and presentation in final class  Guidelines and scoring criteria	
2	<ul> <li>Ancient Civilizations II Students will be able to understand: <ul> <li>An overview of the major ancient civilizations, such as India and China, including their geographical locations, social structures, and cultural practices.</li> <li>Key events, achievements, and contributions of these civilizations. For example, students will learn about the Mauryan Empire in India and its advancements in governance under Emperor Ashoka, as well as the invention of paper and the Silk Road in China.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



### 3 The Ancient Greeks Students will be able to understand: An overview of Ancient Greek civilization, including its geography, political systems, and cultural achievements. Key Greek philosophers and their contributions to philosophy. For instance, students will delve into the teachings of Socrates and his Socratic method of questioning, Plato's theory of forms and his famous work "The Republic," and Aristotle's ideas on ethics and logic. The impact of Ancient Greek philosophy on modern thought, such as the influence of democratic principles and the scientific method. The Middle Ages 4 Students will be able to understand: An overview of the Middle Ages, including the decline of the Roman Empire, the rise of feudalism, and the spread of Christianity. • Key events, achievements, and contributions in the Middle Ages. This may include the Norman Conquest, the Crusades, the Magna Carta, and the Black Death. The impact of mediaeval philosophy on modern thought, such as the preservation and translation of ancient Greek and Roman texts by Islamic scholars, the development of scholasticism, and the influence of Christian theology. The Renaissance 5 Students will be able to understand: An overview of the Renaissance, including its origins in Italy and its spread across Europe. • Key events, achievements, and contributions during the Renaissance, such as the artistic masterpieces of Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, and Raphael, as well as the scientific advancements of figures like Copernicus and Galileo. The impact of Renaissance philosophy on modern thought, including the emphasis on humanism, the questioning of traditional authority, and the promotion of individualism. 6 The Enlightenment Students will be able to understand: • An overview of the Enlightenment, a period of intellectual and cultural movement in the 18th century that emphasised reason, rationality, and progress. Key events, achievements, and contributions during the Enlightenment. For

example, students will learn about the publication of influential works like



- Immanuel Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason," Jean-Jacques Rousseau's "The Social Contract," and Voltaire's "Candide."
- The impact of Enlightenment philosophy on modern thought. Students will
  explore how Enlightenment ideas, such as individual rights, freedom of
  speech, and the separation of powers, influenced the development of
  democratic societies and the formation of modern political systems.

#### 7 The Industrial Revolution

Students will be able to understand:

- An overview of the Industrial Revolution, including its causes, technological advancements, and social changes.
- Key events, achievements, and contributions during the Industrial Revolution, such as the invention of the steam engine, the growth of factory production, and the impact of urbanisation.
- The impact of the Industrial Revolution on modern society, including its effects on labour practices, urban development, and the rise of capitalism.

#### 8 The Modern Era

Students will be able to understand:

- An overview of the modern era, including key events, achievements, and contributions such as the World Wars, the Cold War, and the globalisation of the modern world.
- The rise of anti-colonial movements and the struggle for independence in Africa and Asia, with examples like Mahatma Gandhi's leadership in India's independence movement and the impact of Nelson Mandela in South Africa.
- The impact of modern philosophy on contemporary thought, exploring movements like existentialism, feminism, and postmodernism, and their influence on various aspects of society, culture, and identity.

#### 9 Modern Philosophy

Students will be able to understand:

- The major philosophical ideas of the modern era, focusing on philosophers such as Immanuel Kant, Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel, and Karl Marx.
- The contributions of these philosophers to areas such as epistemology, metaphysics, ethics, and political philosophy.
- The lasting impact of modern philosophy on the world, including its influence on political ideologies, social movements, and ethical frameworks.

# Modern Philosophy II + Hands-on Research Project Presentation Students will be able to:



- Present their final research projects, which could involve in-depth investigations into specific historical events, philosophical theories, or the intersection of both.
- Receive peer and tutor feedback to enhance their research

#### **Course Review and Conclusion**

- Recap of key themes and ideas covered in the course
- The importance of understanding world history and philosophy in the contemporary world
- Exploring careers in the field
- Conclusion and next steps for aspiring Historians & Philosophers

#### **Next Steps**

We'd love to welcome you to our World History & Philosophy online course! In order to secure your place, the next step is to apply by clicking here.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Stephanie on 0044 1865 522 166, or by email on <a href="https://example.com/hello@oxfordscholastica.com">hello@oxfordscholastica.com</a>.