

Freshman World Studies Curriculum Map		<i>Course Big Ideas/Essential Ideas</i>			
		How does history shape our identity, including o			
		What is a social construct? More specifically, h			
		What is ideology? How is it a social construct, a			
		What tools do good writers use when writing an			
		What tools do good readers use when analyzing			
		How does one ethically use information, electror			
		What are the qualities of an historical thinker? (c			
		Why is historical reading, writing, and research c			
		How does geographic literacy contribute to beco			
First Semester 9th Grade	<i>Big Ideas/ Essential Questions/Objectives</i>	<i>Anchor Texts/Content Focus</i>	<i>Assessments and Standards</i>		
<i>Unit 1</i>					
<i>The Historian's Toolbox</i>	What is the difference between a primary and a	<i>Guns, Germs, and Steel</i>			
	In what way is history an interpretive subject?	Birth of civilization - Mesopotamia	GGJ Journal - SS1, SS3		
	How does a historian use the scientific method?	Introduction to Race	Intro. to Race Quiz - SS1		
	How is history, a 'social' science, different than h	Chpt. 1 - Race	Monotheism Webquest - SS1, SS2		
	How is a civilization created?	Introduction to concept of social constructions			
	How do civilizations rely upon social construction	Library Databases			
	What are some of the positives and negatives of				
	In what ways did the creation of civilizations als				
	How is organized religion a social construction?				
	How does the current crisis in Palestine and Isra				
	How can the writing of history/memory be used :				
	Why was monotheism such a significant ideolog				
	In what ways are Judaism, Christianity, and Islar				
	In what ways was the advent of monotheism a s				
<i>Unit 2</i>					
<i>Ancient Greece</i>					
(Teaching Window for 216s is open) - Intro to m	What impact does myth have on our understand	Trojan War: Fact vs. Myth; power of myths (216s	Greek Test - SS1, SS2		
summative prep work	What obstacles does a historian face when stud	Persian Wars (216s will teach)	Matrix/Plato's Cave Chatroom - SS4, SS5		
Greek Test SUMMATIVE (SS1/SS2/SS3)	Compare and contrast the political systems and	Sparta vs. Athens (focus on government and ge			
Matrix/Plato's Cave	How and why did democracy develop in Athens?	<i>Race - chapter 2 ('natural slavery')</i>			
Matrix/Plato's Cave SUMMATIVE (SS1/SS2.1/S	What are some of the Greek foundations that ca	<i>Allegory of the Cave</i>			
Greek philosophy	Who are some of the most influential Greek phil	<i>The Matrix</i>			
Armor building and Greek Olympics	How did Plato explain ideology? How is this exp	TCH students determine their own sources			
(Thanksgiving break)	What are the most important legacies of the anc				
	In what ways was Greek exceptionalism a stepp				
<i>Unit 3</i>					
<i>Ancient Rome: Republic to Caesar/Punic Wars</i>	In what ways did the Greeks contribute to the de	Library Databases			
Rome foundations, republic, Ceasar	How and why did the Romans develop a republi	<i>Excerpts from Gibbon - Decline and Fall of Rom</i>	Gladiator/Football Prepwork - SS4		
Gladiator/Football (preparatory work will count as :	What are some of the Roman foundations that c	Excerpts from Walker - "America on Course to F	Gladiator/Football Socratic Discussion (Final) - S		
Finals Gladiator/Football SUMMATIVE (SS1/SS	Why did the Roman Empire last as long as it did	Various articles on reasons for fall/decline of Ro			
	Who are some of the most influential Roman em				
	Did the Roman Empire fall, gradually decline, or				
	How is an effective historical argument made?				
	What are the most important legacies of the anc				
	Compare and contrast the culturse and contribui				
	In what ways was the Roman conception of slav				
<i>Unit 4</i>					
<i>The Birth of Christianity</i>					



	How do political and religious institutions use fear to control the population? Is this type of control effective? Why or why not?				
	Who is Henry VIII, and what are the causes and impacts of his separation from the Catholic Church?				
	Who was Queen Elizabeth, and what are her most important legacies?				
	What were the causes of English Civil War, and what was its overall significance?				
	What were the causes of Glorious Revolution, and what was its overall significance?				
<b>Unit 7</b>					
<b>Genocide across the Globe</b>					
	What and who defines genocide, and where has it occurred?	<i>Race, chapter 15 (related sections)</i>		Genocide Summative (to be determined by student teacher)	
	What are universal human rights?	Library Databases			
	How does cultural conditioning allow genocide to occur?	movie, Hotel Rowanda			
	Who is responsible for genocide when it does occur?	TCH students determine their own sources			
	Is a bystander responsible for genocide?	Genocide Watch - 8 steps to genocide			
	What is the role of the international community in preventing genocide?				
	What are the long-term effects of genocide on bystanders?				
	Why do genocides continue to occur today?				
	When reading the italicized section in chapter 5 (p 208-209) of <i>Race</i> , determine why Aronson writes this passage and what potential impact it could have on the text as well as those reading the text				
	According to the organization Genocide Watch, what are the 8 steps to genocide and how do they apply to the Holocaust and Rowanda				
<b>Unit 8</b>					
<b>Race Research Project</b>					
Chapter 10,11,12, of <i>Race</i> , jigsaw, socratic (SS)	What is the power of race today?	<i>Race</i>		Chapter 10,11,12 of <i>Race</i> jigsaw and socratic discussion with English (to be determined partially by student teacher)	
	How does a successful writer develop an original idea?	Library Databases		Race Research Paper - SS1, SS3, SS5	
	How does a successful writer find resources to support their ideas?				
	What role does evaluating and using sources play in writing?				
	How does researching and writing an historical paper differ from other types of writing?				
<b>Unit 9</b>					
<b>American Indians</b>					
	What is assimilation, and why did that policy eventually change to removal?	Wounded Knee materials (library databases)		American Indians Quiz - SS1	
	How and why has the sovereignty of American Indians changed over time?	Zitkala-Su		Final - Thunderheart Socratic Discussion - SS1, SS4	
	What is the Bureau of Indian Affairs? Explain its role.	Dawes Act			
	What was the Dawes Allotment Act?	History of the Bureau of Indian Affairs			
	Why were boarding schools created, and what were their purposes?	PBS			
	How did American Indian policy pauperize American Indians?	movie - Thunderheart			
	What are the dominant stereotypes about American Indians?				
	Explain the actual history of Wounded Knee in terms of military strategy and political goals. Define the following terms and ideas in terms of their historical context: Treaties, Leonard Peltier, Ronald Williams and John G. Soble				
	Evaluate the historical accuracy of the movie <i>Thunderheart</i> .				

	In what ways does the movie Thunderheart reinf				
	What is the political identity of American Indians etc.), and how have their political identities chan				
	What are the pros and cons for American Indian				