



HUMAN SOCIETY AND ITS ENVIRONMENT (HSIE) MODERN HISTORY

Our Mission

Students who study Modern History at Masada develop knowledge and skills that enable them to:

- study change and continuity over time
- undertake the process of historical inquiry
- be an informed citizen in a contemporary society
- appreciate the forces that have shaped the modern world from the eighteenth century
- acquire historical knowledge and understanding to facilitate critical analysis

Our Results

Our HSC results have been strong in Modern History.

- In **2016** 80% of our students scored in the top 2 Bands.
- In **2015** 92% of our students scored in the top 2 Bands.
- In **2014** 67% of our students scored in the top 2 Bands.
- In **2013** 100% of our students scored in the top 2 Bands.
- In **2012** 72% of our students scored in the top 2 Bands.
- In **2011** 100% of our students scored in the top 2 Bands with 40% in Band 6.

Masada students love to discuss various historical issues and to develop their historical and analytical ability.

Extra Curricular Activities and Special Events

Students have the opportunity to attend a Study Day at the University of Sydney, conducted by the History Teachers Association.

Masada students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities outside the classroom including:

- Museum visits
- HSC study days and seminars at several universities
- Visiting guest speakers

Support

Excellent support is provided for students who experience difficulty with any aspect of the Modern History. Tutorials are arranged by appointment with teachers to discuss progress and students are encouraged to email their work to receive feedback during holiday periods.

History Extension

This course available to all Year 12 students attracts a small but dedicated group of students who enjoy the analysis of historical perspectives and approaches to history. Their major topic focus in the course at Masada is John F. Kennedy. Changing interpretations and perspectives regarding the construction of History has also been a focus. They have the opportunity to study a topic of their own choice by way of a Major Work.

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