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IB History of the Americas

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Welcome! I am a career switcher and have been teaching at Mount Vernon for the last 12 years. I earned a history degree from Virginia Tech and an MBA from George Mason.

I teach three classes: world History 1, World History 2, and IB History of the Americas.

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IB History of the Americas

This is an IB level class for 11th graders. These students will then take Topics of the 20th Century as seniors and will take their IB test at the end of this year. While this class replaces US/VA history for credit, it also includes Latin America countries and Canada.

We look in depth at three areas: Civil War and Reconstruction; the Emergence of America into Global Affairs; and the Cold War.

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Internal Assessment

Each student will complete the *Internal Assessment* which is a **Historical Investigation** (research paper) of a topic, 1500-2200 words in length. The **Internal Assessment** is an integral part of the **IB Examination** and essential for a passing score on the test which is taking in the second year of IB history.

Students will be given some time in class for research and writing but are expected to complete the bulk of the work on their own time.

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Recommended Supplies for Class

- **Charged laptop everyday!**
- **A section of the students binder.**
- **A spiral notebook**
- **Writing materials**

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Grading Scale

Classwork and homework	15%
Quizzes, journals, and small projects	25%
DBQs and IA rough and final drafts	30%
Tests	30%

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Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. The best way to contact me is at awstewart@fcps.edu. Please give me 24 hours to respond. I am always happy to hear from you.

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