

CURRENT ISSUES

Essential Skills

The priority standards consist of the following skills:

- Concept Understanding: Demonstrate understanding of relevant concepts, current issues, and events.
- Source Analysis: Interpret and analyze primary and secondary sources relating to relevant concepts, current issues, and events.
- Comparison: Analyze similarities, differences, and connections between relevant concepts, current issues, and events.
- Communication: Demonstrate effective communication through speaking, writing, and listening.

Course Content

The priority standards/skills are taught, practiced, developed, and assessed through the course content as outlined below.

Political issues

Wars and conflicts, governments and governance, international organizations and NGOs, terrorism and refugees, etc.

Social issues

Culture, human rights, health and disease, crime and drugs, education, gender and aging, minorities ethics, etc.

Economic issues

Development, poverty, distribution of wealth, trade, and trade organizations, etc.

Environmental issues

Pollution, resources, climate threats, sustainability, etc.

