

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The world we are living in is one in which local, national and international issues are interwoven, and the need for us to understand the impact these issues can have on our lives has never been greater! Using a socio-cultural, political and environmental lens, students will view how the world is changing and how to become active agents of change – from the local to international level. Important issues such as social injustice, poverty, environmental protection, resource scarcity, sustainability, and health will be addressed. Global citizenship...an opportunity to 'Be the Change'.

This course meets the Civic Life and Social and Cultural Understanding General Education themes.

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will demonstrate the ability to:

1. Explore what makes a global citizen.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- Define citizenship
- Understand concepts related to global citizenship
- Reflect on the importance of developing global communities
- Explore ethics from a global perspective

2. Recognize world issues of concern to global citizens.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- Identify environmental and social issues
- Analyze the media's impact on these issues
- Gain an awareness of how these issues affect people's daily lives
- Discuss methods used to currently address these issues

3. Recognize that individuals can effect change.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- Review individuals who have effected change
- Discuss how the actions of others could be incorporated into personal actions

4. Demonstrate the principles and practices of sustainability and global wellbeing.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- Actively contribute to positive local, regional, national, and/or global change
- Reflect on personal contribution and its impact

III. TOPICS:

These areas of study will provide the framework for you to begin to understand concepts related to global citizenship and how you can make a difference.

1. Define citizenship
2. Define global citizenship
3. Explore how ethics relates to being a global citizen
4. Discuss environmental issues, such as carbon foot printing; air, water, land, and noise pollution; clear-cutting; waste and waste management; natural disasters; global warming; etc.
5. Discuss social issues, such as poverty, health care, literacy, consumerism, culture, racism, human rights, conflict, etc.
6. Discuss the media's influence, bias, and power
7. Recognize how the actions of others can be adapted into personal actions
8. Develop and implement a plan to affect change locally, regionally, nationally, and/or globally
9. Reflect on personal plan and its success

IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

Professors will provide students with Reading Materials, Online Resources, and Audio and Video Resources to cover material for the course. Students are encouraged to share useful resources related to course material that they locate.

V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:Evaluation

Students will be responsible for regular attendance and class participation in all areas of the course, as well as all independent readings and tasks as assigned. The course content and evaluation may be modified at the discretion of the professor.

The final course grade will be determined as follows:

<u>ASSIGNMENTS/TESTS</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
Tests (2 x 20%)	40%
Personal Responses	10%
Project	50%
TOTAL:	100%

Specifics on assignments and tests to be provided by the professor.

Submission of all project components is a requirement for successful completion of this course.

Every student must complete the Action Component of the project as a requirement for successful completion of this course.

Every student is responsible for careful reading of the GEN 100 Team Project document provided at the beginning of the semester. In addition, this document is available on LMS.

Every student must ensure that all components of their project are in compliance with the GEN 100 Team project document.

Late submissions of any assigned work will be penalized 1%/day late. After five days, work will not be graded.

If a student misses a due date or test date to a verifiable illness or incident, the professor will determine if the student is eligible for an extension for an assignment or re-scheduling of a test. The student is ultimately responsible and obligated to contact the professor by phone, in person, or through email **prior** to the assigned due date or test time. The College 24-hour voice mail number and email systems allow you to immediately notify the professor with your name, message, and phone number.

Upon returning to college (your first day back), the student will **immediately** contact the professor to make arrangements for the assignment or test. Phone, email or come by the professor's office: if not communicating personally, make sure to leave contact information. **Failure to do so will result in a zero grade.**

Notification policy in brief: **Mutual respect, courtesy, and accountability.**

Students are also responsible for obtaining any materials missed due to absenteeism.

The following semester grades will be assigned to students in post-secondary courses:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Grade Point Equivalent</u>
A+	90 – 100%	4.00
A	80 – 89%	3.00
B	70 - 79%	2.00
C	60 - 69%	1.00
D	50 – 59%	0.00
F (Fail)	49% and below	0.00

CR (Credit)	Credit for diploma requirements has been awarded.
S	Satisfactory achievement in field /clinical placement or non-graded subject area.
U	Unsatisfactory achievement in field/clinical placement or non-graded subject area.
X	A temporary grade limited to situations with extenuating circumstances giving a student additional time to complete the requirements for a course.
NR	Grade not reported to Registrar's office.
W	Student has withdrawn from the course without academic penalty.

Note: For such reasons as program certification or program articulation, certain courses require minimums of greater than 50% and/or have mandatory components to achieve a passing grade.

It is also important to note, that the minimum overall GPA required in order to graduate from a Sault College program remains 2.0.

VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

Attendance:

Sault College is committed to student success. There is a direct correlation between academic performance and class attendance; therefore, for the benefit of all its constituents, all students are encouraged to attend all of their scheduled learning and evaluation sessions. This implies arriving on time and remaining for the duration of the scheduled session.

VII. COURSE OUTLINE ADDENDUM

The provisions in the addendum are located on the student portal and form part of this course outline. Students are responsible for becoming familiar with this information. Go to <https://my.saultcollege.ca>