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We believe that each one, created in the image and likeness of God, is called by name into the Dufferin-Peel community to realize the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations to the fullest extent possible as we all journey from the early years to vocation.

COURSE OUTLINE

Department Name:	Social Science
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Course Name:	Challenge and Change in Society
Course Code and Section:	HSB 4M1

Course Description:	This course examines the theories and methodologies used in anthropology, psychology and sociology to investigate and explain shifts in knowledge, attitudes, beliefs and behaviour and their impact on society. You will analyse cultural, social and biological patterns in human societies, looking at ways in which those patterns change over time. You will also explore the ideas of classical and contemporary social theorists and will apply those ideas to the analysis of contemporary trends. This course has 5 units. In each unit students are asked to examine the 3 social sciences and demonstrate how each contributes to our overall knowledge of personal, societal and global change. The final unit outlines the process leading up to the course culminating activity: a social science research paper. Students will conduct their inquiry and research within the other 4 units.
Strands/ Units:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology and Sociology.2. How Cultures, Societies and Individuals Define Well Being.3. Change in Canadian Society4. Global Change5. Research Process and Skills.

Corresponding Catholic Graduate Expectation Indicators for each Strand/Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will develop a respect for humanity based upon the study of issues presented in this course. Learning to respect the dignity of self and other according to the teaching of Christ is a key component of social behaviour. Students will be given the opportunity to become aware of and resist forces that are considered destructive to the healing of society and individuals.
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Assessment and Evaluation:

Category Weightings	Weight
Knowledge/Understanding	25
Thinking	25
Application	25
Communication	25

Final Summative Assessments	Grade Distribution
Term Work	70
CPT	10
Exam	30