

# Mealy Mountain Collegiate

## Social Studies 8

### Program Description

This Newfoundland and Labrador History course introduces Grade 8 students to the study of the story of Newfoundland and Labrador from the turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century to the present. It is an interesting and dynamic period of development from colony of Great Britain – to independent country – to province of Canada. This course examines the time when settlements and institutions were established and shaped Newfoundland and Labrador into what it is today.

**Text:** *Voyage to Discovery: A History of Newfoundland and Labrador 1800-Present*

### Units of Study:

1. ***Discovering and Appreciating History: Understanding the Historical Method*** (Chapter 1)
  - Understanding History and Developing Skills of a Historian
2. ***“Where Once They Stood We Stand”: History as a Story of People in Newfoundland and Labrador 1800-1914*** (Chapters 2-5)
  - Examination of Aboriginal Peoples , immigrants and Newfoundlanders and Labradorians
  - Examination of self-sufficiency, fishermen and their families, fish merchants, sealers, trappers and other occupations
  - Understanding how government evolved and how it responded to challenges
  - Understanding the lifestyles of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century including family life, entertainment, community and communication
3. ***“Storm Gusts Fret Thy Shore”: history as a Story of Significant Events in Newfoundland and Labrador 1914-1945*** (Chapters 6-8)
  - Involvement in World War I and its aftermath
  - Development of Newfoundland and Labrador’s land-based industries, important disasters and crises and the creation of Commission of Government
  - Involvement in World War II and its impact
4. ***“We Are Thy Sons and Daughters”: History as a Story of Change in Newfoundland and Labrador 1945-Present*** (Chapters 9-12)
  - The movement towards Confederation, modernization and the social change as a province of Canada
  - Challenges and opportunities before and after 1971 including identity and cultural expression

### Evaluation:

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| • Chapter Tests                                      | 20% |
| • Assignments  | 15% |
| • Classwork/Homework                                 | 5%  |
| • Three Unit Evaluations (November, February, April) | 20% |
| • Heritage Fair                                      | 20% |
| • Final Exam   | 20% |

**THERE IS NO MIDTERM EXAM IN THIS COURSE**