Humanity in Crisis

Over the past few decades a variety of crises have arisen that have challenged humanity's capacity to peacefully exist on this planet. Some crises are international, others domestic. Regardless, all of them have raised the level of tension at home and abroad and raised the risk of international conflict. This course will examine a wide range of political, economic, environmental, religious and social crises that have impinged on our lives during the past few years.

Some Possible Topics

Global Warming

Population Explosion

The Demise of the Christian Church

The Expansion of Islam

The Arab Spring

The Assault on Science

Cuban Missile Crisis

The Collapse of Communism

War in Afghanistan

Islamic Terrorism

International Poverty

Child Poverty

Religious Fundamentalism

Genocide: Darfur

Civil Wars

Nuclear Weapons: Iran and North Korea

Religious Conflict

• India

Pakistan

Nigeria

• North Ireland

Israel

• Civil War in Syria

Guns and Violence

Depletion of Resources

Tin-Pot Dictators

Religious Wars

Polarization in Politics

World War

The Great Depression

Income Distribution

World Hunger

Water Scarcity

Quebec's Quiet Revolution

Wall Street Meltdown

Epidemics

Black Death

• Influenza

• Ebola

• HIV Aids

Suppression of Women

Renewal of the Cold War

Quebec Charter of Value

Chemical Warfare