



SAMPLE COURSE OUTLINE

MODERN HISTORY
ATAR YEAR 11
UNIT 2 – ELECTIVE 1

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Modern History – ATAR Year 11

Unit 2 – Elective 1: Women’s movements

Week	Key teaching points
1	<p>Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> key vocabulary and ideas overview of the rights of women throughout history
2–3	<p>Women’s rights at the turn of the 20th century (1890–1905)</p> <p>Using Australia and Great Britain as examples, consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> legal rights of women, including marriage and property rights political entitlements of women, including the right to vote and the right to stand for parliament Vida Goldstein and the suffragette movement in Australia Emmeline Pankhurst and the suffragette movement in Great Britain
4–5	<p>Task 7: Historical inquiry</p> <p>Topic: Students develop a thesis on the historical significance of the suffragette movement in Australia and Great Britain</p> <p>The inquiry should address the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the situation at the beginning of the period key objectives of the movement different groups within the movement leadership methods used to attain objectives successes and failures <p>Task 7 Part A: Historical inquiry – the inquiry process</p> <p>Task 7 Part B: Validation essay</p>
6–8	<p>Significant events</p> <p>Impact of the following events on the women’s movement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World War I World War II United Nations Declaration on Human Rights <p>Post World War II: Significant feminist writers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simone de Beauvoir – <i>The Second Sex</i> (1949) Betty Friedan – <i>The Feminine Mystique</i> (1963) Germaine Greer – <i>The Female Eunuch</i> (1970) Kate Millett – <i>Sexual Politics</i> (1970) impact of these writings on the ‘second wave’ of the women’s movement <p>Task 8: Source analysis</p>

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9–10	<p>Post World War II: Economic and technological change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • economic change, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the rise of consumerism ▪ two-income families ▪ greater mobility with the advent of the two car family ▪ steps to equal pay in Australia: 1950 women to receive 75% of the male wage; 1969 acceptance of the principal of equal pay for equal work (Great Britain in 1970) • technological change, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ how new technologies in the home gave women greater freedom from household chores ▪ the impact of television <p>Task 9: Explanation – essay</p>
11–13	<p>Post World War II: Social and legislative change in Australia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • social change and supporting legislation, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ improved educational opportunities ▪ effective birth control allowing family planning ▪ Maternity Leave Act 1973 ▪ Family Law Act 1975 ▪ Anti-discrimination Act 1977 ▪ Sex Discrimination Act 1984 ▪ Equal Opportunity for Women Act 1986 • Women’s Liberation Movement and the protest culture of the 1960s; WEL; Elizabeth Reid • campaigns against violence (e.g. Reclaim the Night) and war (e.g. Save our Sons) • Aboriginal and migrant women; Dr Sue Gordon • development of child care services <p>Similar legislative change in Great Britain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • social change and supporting legislation, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Life Peerages Act 1958 ▪ Married Women’s Property Act 1964 ▪ Equal Pay Act 1970 ▪ Sex Discrimination Act 1975 ▪ Employment Protection Act 1975 • other campaigns for social change <p>Task 10: Source analysis</p>
14–15	<p>Influence of the movement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • achievements and legacies of the movement • current challenges, such as the glass ceiling, paid maternity leave, division of household duties <p>A Western phenomenon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assess the extent to which the Women’s movement is a primarily western phenomenon <p>Task 11: Explanation – short answer test</p>
16	<p>Task 12: Semester 2 examination</p>