HSC  student of 2011-12 responses to this question:

What were some of the best things about HSC?

“It’s an alternative/fresh look at historical events rather than the same stories and perspective we’ve had drilled into our heads.”

“Some of the best things were when we tasted chocolate, took the lie detector tests, and listened to music. HSC put a twist on common topics which made them more interesting to learn about.”

“The closeness of the class—it really helped me to have a tight group to start the year off.”

“The broad areas we covered; I liked how we covered a lot.”

“The good books.”

“What attracted me to it in the beginning was the subject matter and the fact that I could get 9 units of Honors credit once I finished. After taking it, the biggest selling point for me is that it is such a fun class and the teachers are amazing.”

“Good way to get GE credits done. Great way to meet people in the Honors program.”

“We all helped each other study and worked together well.”

“It was enjoyable getting to know new people and getting great friendships.”

“It’s really easy to get the professors’ help, and it’s not intimidating to participate and share opinions.”

“We were able to cover so much material in one semester, and because of that, I was able to learn A LOT! It also covered 9 units of material without being impossibly difficult and fulfilled lots of my GE. The material was interesting and well-presented.”

“The interconnectivity of lessons was good. How the literature, brain, and history all interlocked helped give me a better understanding of the material.”

“I liked that there were 3 completely different sections to the class that managed to tie . . . together. It kept things interesting.”

“Psychology and literature were the most interesting for me. I got to read new literature that I have never read before.”

“A class that went through all of human history for once!”
“Leaning about the brain and why you act how you do.”

“Overall a great course. All 3 professors know their stuff and are clear, engaging lecturers. I appreciate the helpfulness and laid–back teaching styles.”

“It is very clear that all of you are here to help us succeed and understand why we are where we are today. … In conclusion, thank you all for being great professors. I will definitely recommend this class to anyone.”

“I truly enjoyed this class! I not only say this because of all the information that I learned, but also it made me so happy and excited to learn when I saw how dedicated all three of my professors were to helping me learn.”

“Thanks for an awesome start to college!”

“The exposure to a wide variety of topics and information was interesting. The multiple professor approach is really neat, and you guys are awesome!!”

“Never in my life did I think I’d enjoy a three-hour lecture but in HSC, I honestly did. The presented material was relevant and interesting and I’m glad to say that I’ve learned much more than I expected to.”

“The class discussion because it gave me a much better understanding of the subject.”

“How small and personal the class was. It was nice to get to know my professors as people.”