



Geography

Why you should follow this course

Geography is the study of relationships between people and the earth. This course looks at current events, geographical issues and their impact on the environment, and will enable students to apply geographical knowledge, theory and skills to the world around them. The study of geography will challenge perceptions and stimulate investigative and analytical skills, it will highlight the importance of decision making and will help develop an awareness of the ethnic, cultural, economic and political diversity of human society.

Studying GEOGRAPHY gives you the opportunity to travel the world via the classroom...where will geography take you?

What will you cover during the course?

There will always be a balance of human and physical Geography. There is also a strong emphasis on field trips which includes a visit to a large city to study urban issues, and a residential field trip at the end of Year 12.



Students will learn case studies at various scales and will develop a wide range of quantitative and qualitative skills through the study of each module.

How will the course be assessed?

A Level Examination		
Comp 1	Written exam: multiple choice, short answers and 20 mark extended questions. <i>2 hours 30 mins</i>	120 marks 40% of A Level
Comp 2	Written exam: multiple choice, short answers and 20 mark extended questions. <i>2 hours 30 mins</i>	120 marks 40% of A Level
Comp 3	NEA Investigation 3,000 –4,000 words Marked by your teachers and moderated by AQA	60 marks 20% of A Level

Examination Board: AQA
Qualification: A Level

A LEVEL COURSE COMPONENTS

1: PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

Section A: Water and carbon cycles

Section B: Coastal systems and landscapes

Section C: EITHER hazards or ecosystems under stress (students can select either to answer in the exam)

2: HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

Section A: Global systems and global governance

Section B: Changing places

Section C: EITHER contemporary urban issues or population and the environment.

3: GEOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATION (NEA)

You will complete an individual investigation which **must include data collected in the field**. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue relating to any part of the A level course content.

What can you do when you have your qualification?

This is a very good and well respected academic A Level. The skills and information are very valuable to many future careers especially Law, Journalism, Publishing, Management or any other career which involves working with people such as Teaching, Nursing or Social Work. This is in addition to other more directly related areas such as Surveying, Geology, Economics, Planning, Geographical Information Systems, Environmental work, Oceanography and Marine Biology.

For further information or advice please contact any member of the Geography Department.

