

Geography A Level

Subject Leader: Mr James Craigmyle

Syllabus: Edexcel

Course Specification: 9GE0

Assessment Information:

There are three exams and an Independent Investigation:

Paper 1 - Physical geography:

2:15 minutes, 30% of the A-Level

Paper 2 - Human geography:

2:15 minutes, 30% of the A-Level

Paper 3 - Synoptic Themes:

2:15 minutes, 20% of the A-Level

Independent investigation:

Students choose their own topic to investigate.

4000 words, 20% of the A-Level.

Future Pathways:

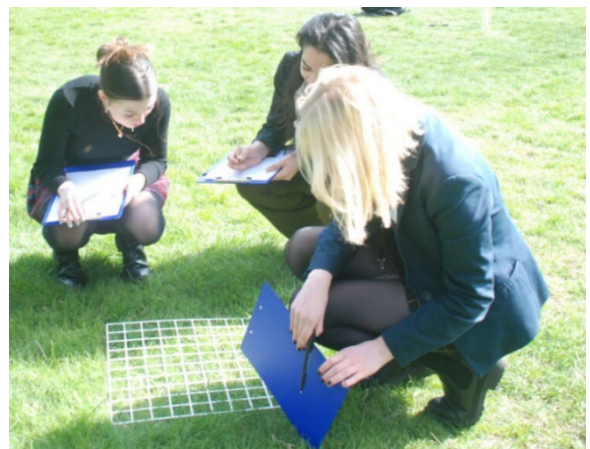
Geography is a well-respected 'traditional' academic discipline that enables you to use a variety of skills (literacy, numeracy, practical fieldwork, research, report writing, etc.).

Any University course, or career, linked to people and/or the environment would prefer geographical experience.

Examples include sustainability, meteorology, urban planning, surveying, resource management, tourism, forestry, overseas development, aid agencies, financial services, and commodities.

The possibilities are almost endless.

Geography will also stand you in good stead for other careers like law, journalism, and local / national government.



Course Overview

The A-Level course will build on GCSE content but allows students more freedom to focus on the topics and current affairs that they are most interested in. Fieldwork is a compulsory part of the A-Level course.

To succeed in Geography, Students must be able to interlink all the topics. The exams are based on skills, rather than on content.

Students will participate in 4 days of fieldwork in Y12 or Y13.

Course Requirements

- 5 GCSEs graded 9 – 5
- Maths at grade 5
- English at grade 6.
- Geography at grade 6

Year 1

- Area of study 1, Topic 1: Tectonic Processes & Hazards
- Area of study 2, Topic 3: Globalisation
- Area of study 1, Topic 2: Coastal Systems & Change
- Area of study 2, Topic 4: Regenerating Places

Year 2

- Area of study 3, Topic 5: The Water Cycle & Water Insecurity
- Area of study 4, Topic 7: Superpowers
- Area of study 3, Topic 6: The Carbon Cycle & Energy Security
- Area of study 4, Topic 8: Human Rights & Intervention
- You will also complete an independent Investigation.