Geography A Level

Subject Leader: Ms Herrick

Syllabus: Edexcel

Course Specification: 9GEO

Course Overview

The A-Level course will build on GCSE content but with deeper and broader knowledge of current global affairs. Successful students can think synoptically about the links between different topics.

Course requirements

- Maths grade 5
- English grade 6
- Geography grade 6

Year 1

- Tectonic processes & hazards
- Globalisation
- Coastal systems & change
- Regenerating places

Year 2

- The Water Cycle & Water Insecurity
- Superpowers
- The Carbon Cycle & Energy Security
- Health, Human Rights and Intervention

NEA: Students will complete independent coursework based on fieldwork data that they collect, present and analyse.

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.

