

Geography

Awarding body:	AQA
Qualification:	A Level
Method of assessment:	Examination & Coursework
Course entry requirement:	We expect students to have achieved at least a grade 6 in GCSE English and a grade 5 in GCSE Maths. Students who have studied Geography at GCSE will be accepted if they have achieved a grade 6 or higher.

Course description and what it will be like: Through studying A-Level Geography, learners will develop a wide range of essential skills for Higher Education and the world of work through content which is relevant to global citizens of the 21st Century. The course which spans across two years of study, encompasses a broad balance of both human and physical topics.

Learners are encouraged through a variety of experiences to become critical, reflective and independent learners, while unpicking the debates surrounding contemporary challenges facing the world today. As part of the course, learners will undertake a minimum of four days' work in the field looking at aspects of investigative Geography.

A Level Y12/13

Component 1: Physical Geography (40% of A-level)

- Water and Carbon Cycles
- Coastal systems and landscapes
- Hazards

Component 2: Human Geography (40% of A-level)

- Global systems and global governance
- Changing places
- Contemporary urban environments

Component 3: Geographical Fieldwork Investigation (20% of A-level)

- 3,000 – 4,000 words

**Opportunities for Progression
and Career Prospects:**

Geography is a highly regarded academic subject and is considered one of the facilitating subjects by Higher Education institutions. Geography combines well with numerous subjects as it has many transferable skills. A strong skillset in Literacy and Numeracy will serve learners well for studying this course.

An appreciation for current affairs and the wider world is imperative when studying Geography at A-level. Learners will be well prepared for independent study and Geography is useful in a number of professional careers including: Ecology, Teaching, Climatology, Town Planning, Disaster Management, Oceanographer, Volcanologist, Environmental Management, GIS and many more.