

# Geography



## A Level (AQA)

This A Level will be suitable for a student who wants to gain a greater understanding of how the world works and their place within that world. You will have to be committed to carrying out four days of fieldwork over the two years.

## Entry Requirements

- **Minimum Standard:** Five or more grades at 4+ in GCSE or equivalent, including English and Maths.
- **Additional Criteria:** Minimum standard with a 5+ in Geography,.

## What will you learn?

Unit 1 – 40% of the A Level

Water and carbon cycles, Coastal systems and landscapes and Hazards.

Unit 2 – 40% of the A Level

Global systems and global governance, Changing places, Population and the environment.

Unit 3 Coursework – 20% of the A Level

Students complete an individual investigation of 3,000–4,000 words which must include data collected in the field. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue defined and developed by the student relating to any part of the specification content.

## How will you learn?

You will learn through classroom-based study alongside four days of fieldwork across the two-year course. Your fieldwork will support the development of your geographical knowledge and skills and contribute to your individual investigation.

## How will you be assessed?

# 80%

### Examinations

Paper 1 – Physical Geography 40%  
Paper 2 – Human Geography 40%

# 20%

### Coursework

Coursework (NEA) Fieldwork  
Investigation

## Where will it take you?

There has never been a more important time to use geographical knowledge and skills to pursue a career. None of the challenges facing the UK and the world in the 21st century, including climate change, energy security, migration, urbanisation and globalisation, can be properly understood, let alone tackled, without geography.

Geography connects the natural and the human, the local and the global, and enables us to plan sustainably for the future. Whether your future career lies in the environmental sector, business, education, the natural or social sciences, the media, geospatial industries or travel, geography opens up a range of choices for your future work and career.

## Who should you talk to?

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