

GEOGRAPHY

A LEVEL (AQA)



This will interest students who want a broad numerate and literate A level which will develop your writing, graphical and statistical analysis. Traditionally geography combines well with other A Levels. You will have to be committed to carrying out four days of fieldwork over the two years.

A level Geography is a two year course. At the end of the first year you will be awarded a grade for AS Geography. After the second year you will be awarded the full A level (A2).

What will you learn?

Unit 1 - 40% of the A Level

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

Unit 2 - 40% of the A Level

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

Unit 3 Coursework - 20% of 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 be assessed?

Overall, A level Geography is 80% examination and 20% coursework.

Where will it take you?

Geographers are good team members, think analytically and critically, are socially and environmentally aware with a wider experience because of fieldwork. Geographers have excellent employability skills as this broad subject is a good foundation for careers in the environment, business, politics and economics, travel and tourism, media and communications, development and aid work as well as IT and Geographical Information systems.

Who to talk to?

Please speak to Mr Schmidt (Head of Humanities) email: daniel.schmidt@thebourneacademy.com

What will you need to study this course?

Students will need to have five or more 9-4 grades at GCSE and you must have good background in science. A level Geography is a demanding academic course requiring strong analysis skills and an awareness of current events. Geography GCSE is not essential but the student will need to be aware that they will need to complete additional research to catch up.