

A-level Geography

Below you will find some information regarding the A-level Geography course. Please note that there are some entry requirements for this course; please speak to us if you have any queries or questions.

What does the course involve?

There has never been a more important time to study Geography. Whether it is the global political challenges of Brexit, terrorism and population growth, or the physical changes occurring across our planet as a result of climate change and other ecological issues, the world needs geographers to analyse, interpret and intervene in global affairs. A-level Geography is an exciting course that offers students a unique opportunity to understand both the science of the natural world, and the economic, social and political systems operating around the world. The relationship between the human and natural worlds will be explored through the study of the following topics:

Year One:

- The water and carbon cycles
- Natural hazards
- Contemporary urban environments

Year Two:

- Changing places
- Coastal systems and landscapes
- Globalisation and global governance

In addition, students carry out and write up a piece of independent field research on a subject of their choice during the summer term at the end of year one. The course is currently assessed by examination (80%) and coursework (20%).

Where can Geography take you?

Geography can lead you wherever you like such as further education, work with local government, and a range of other careers. The skills you acquire are transferable across many careers. Most importantly, studying Geography will equip you with the tools you need to understand the world around you.

Quick course facts

You should have a minimum of five GCSEs graded at level 4 or above, including English and Mathematics.

You will acquire skills in statistical analysis, research, report writing, analysis and evaluation. These are valued across all job sectors.

Specific careers for geographers have included working for the Met Office, the Environment Agency, or in the Civil Service.

Many geographers also find themselves working in finance, marketing, education, or in a variety of other careers.

This course is for those who are inquisitive and interested in the world around them.

