



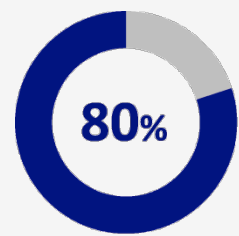
Geography

Overview

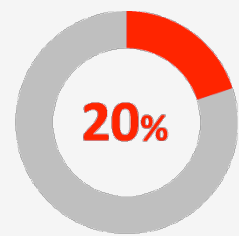
Geography helps you to understand the world in which you live and puts you in a good position to talk about the issues that face people and the environment. Geography is a wide ranging subject that deals with topics as diverse as volcanoes and development.

The A level course is varied and interesting and encompasses interesting elements of both physical and human geography.

Assessment



Examination



Controlled Assessment

Examining Board

WJEC

Requirements

Grade C at GCSE Level Geography, however not essential.

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What our students say...

“Geography is important to me because it is relevant, and opens your eyes to the world we live in”.



Course Outline

At AS level in Year 12 you will study two modules:

Unit 1 Changing Landscapes – coastal landscapes and tectonic hazards (earthquakes & volcanoes). (24%)

Unit 2 Changing Places – economic/ industrial/retail change, rural change, urban change - and Fieldwork Investigation. (16%)

Units 1 and 2 exams make up 40% of the full A level course.

At A2 level in Year 13, you will study two modules and produce an Independent Investigation:

Unit 3 Global systems (water and carbon cycles); Global Governance (global migration and global governance of the Earth’s oceans); 21st Century Challenges. (24%)

Unit 4 Tectonic hazards and Contemporary themes in Geography – two out of ecosystems, India or China or Africa, energy challenges, weather & climate. (16%)

Unit 5 Independent Investigation. (20%)

The A2 units make up 60% of the A level course.

Career and Progression Opportunities

The course develops many Essential Skills, such as Application of Number, ICT and Communication, as well as problem solving, data handling and working with others. We do a lot of field-work, and a Geography A level qualification or degree can lead to a greater range of job opportunities than almost any other subject, as employers like the range of skills that we use in the subject.

Careers using Geography include; cartography, surveying, leisure, recreation, publishing, civil service, local government, environmental health, landscape architecture, energy companies, water companies, the armed services, town planning, civil engineering, marketing, banking, teaching, agriculture, ICT and journalism.



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