

Geography

A Level

Exam Board: Edexcel

Subject Specific Criteria:

- Grade 5 in GCSE Geography
- Grade 5 in GCSE English Language
- Grade 5 in Mathematics

Units Studied:

Paper 1: Physical Geography

Tectonic Processes and Hazards, Coastal Landscape and Change, Water Cycle and Water Insecurity, Carbon Cycle and Energy Security.

Paper 2: Human Geography

Globalisation, Superpowers, Regeneration, Migration and Sovereignty.

Paper 3: Synoptic paper

Discussion around players, actions and futures based around a geographical issue.

Independent Fieldwork Enquiry:

A non-examined unit in which students investigate a theme of their own choosing.

Course Information:

Studying Geography enables students to explore and evaluate contemporary geographical questions and issues such as the consequences of globalisation, responses to hazards, water insecurity and climate change.

Students are given the opportunity to develop an in-depth understanding of Physical and Human Geography, the complexity of people and environmental questions and issues, and

to become critical, reflective and independent learners.

Skills Required:

- Analytical skills
- Graphical skills
- Mathematical skills
- Cartographical skills

Futures:

Once students have gained a Geography A Level they may further continue their studies at University on a Geography degree or an Environmental Science degree. Studying Geography can then lead to careers in Town Planning, Environmental Consultancy, Geographical Information Systems, Conservation, Teaching, Retail Planning, Meteorology and Climatology. As the third most employable degree after Medicine and Dentistry, using the skills that they have acquired, Geography can lead to a variety of careers.

Subject Enrichment:

As part of the course, students must undertake an independent fieldwork enquiry that is conducted over a four day period. The theme of this work can change each year based on the interests of the students and the size of the group.

