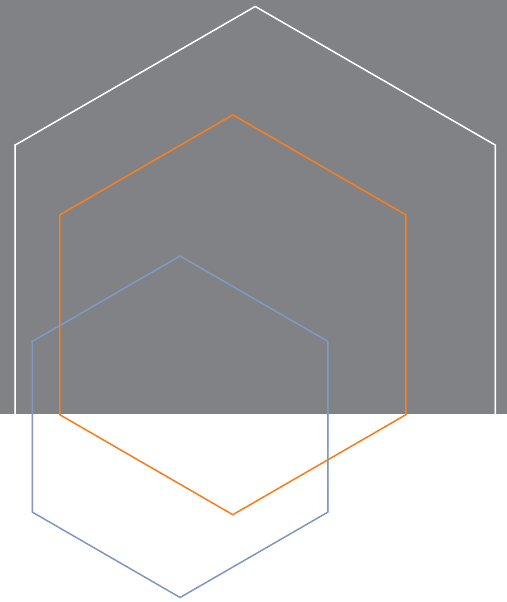


A Level

Specification: Edexcel

GEOGRAPHY



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What will I study?

Paper 1

- Topic 1: Tectonic processes and hazards
- Topic 2: Landscapes systems, processes and change.
- Topic 3: The water cycle and water insecurity.
- Topic 4: The carbon cycle and energy security.
- Topic 5: Climate change futures.

Paper 2

- Topic 6: Globalisation
- Topic 7: Shaping place
- Topic 8: Superpowers
- Topic 9: Global development and connections.

Paper 3

The synoptic investigation paper will be based on a geographical issue within a place based context that is linked to three synoptic themes; players, attitudes and actions and futures and uncertainties.

Coursework

Fieldwork forms the focus and context of the individual investigation, which may be human, physical or integrated physical-human geography. This will allow students to define a question or issues for an investigation.

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1

2 hour written examination worth 30% of the final A level examination. (90 Marks.)

Paper 2

2 hour written examination worth 30% of the final A level examination. (90 Marks.)

Paper 3

1 hour 45 minute written examination worth 20% of the final A level examination. (60 Marks.)

Independent Investigation

Non-examined assessment worth 20% of the final A level examination. (60 marks.)

How will I learn?

Apart from classroom work and use of ICT, across both years, there is an exciting opportunity to spend 4 days' worth of fieldwork and research investigating the topics chosen. Fieldwork can be a great experience and allows you to apply your knowledge and understanding in a practical way.

What skills will I need?

The Geography A Level will appeal to you if:

- you are curious about the world's places, peoples and environments
- you like asking questions and finding answers
- you are interested in local, regional and global issues
- you have the ability to think independently
- you wish to explore human, physical and environmental geographical

Independent study skills are vital.

Careers & Progression

You will find that studying geography is a brilliant step towards a wider range of HE courses and/or employment opportunities.

Further education - geographers can go on to study higher level courses, including Foundation degrees, undergraduate degrees and/or BTEC Higher Nationals.

Employment - geographers can go into a wide range of jobs, including advertising, governance, finance, law, health services, education marketing, environmental management, aid agencies and sales, to name just a few.