



# A Level Geography

## What you will learn:

Course Structure

A Level Units

\*Physical geography

\*Human geography

\*Geography investigation (Fieldwork and coursework).

Course Content

The course is split into two distinct areas, Physical and Human geography.

When studying physical geography, students will look at the water and carbon cycles, coastal systems and landscapes, and natural hazards including tectonics and hurricanes. The final topic will be ecosystems under stress where rainforests are studied.

The Human geography topics include Globalisation and how and why rural and urban places change. The final topic studied will be contemporary urban environments, including sustainable cities and cities of the future.

Fieldwork is an essential part of the course and will be used to collect the information for the coursework as well as bringing the topics we study to life.

## Elements of the course:

There will be a compulsory residential fieldwork trip costing around £300. This is an essential part of the course as A Level students complete a piece of coursework which must include data collected in the field.

## Where could it take me?

**Geography students have one of the highest rates of employment**, pursuing a wide range of career paths. Put simply, there is no such thing as a geography job; rather there are multiple jobs that geographers do. Town planner, Conservation officer and jobs in the tourism industry are directly linked to the topics we study. However due to the wide range of contemporary content, as well as the analytical, evaluative and presentation skills that our students gain, mean they are well sort after in a wide range of careers. For example lawyers and landscape architects.

## Assessment:

At A Level there are two written examinations, a human and physical paper both worth 40% of the final grade. The questions on the A Level papers will require data response, short answer and extended writing/essay style answers. Students will also submit coursework which is worth 20% of the final grade.

## Entry Requirements

### Minimum Required:

Grade 4 or above in GCSE Geography. **Standard Sixth Form entry requirements.**

### Preferred Requirements:

### Special Requirements:

Students who have not studied GCSE Geography will be considered for the course provided that they pass an interview.