



GEOGRAPHY

QUALIFICATION

A Level

What do I need to know or be able to do before taking this course?

Students are required to have attained a grade 5 or above at GCSE Geography. It is also recommended that you have gained a GCSE grade 5 or above English. During the course you will need to be able to communicate effectively and research information from a variety of sources. You will be expected to develop good essay writing skills, using case studies to support your opinions and those of others. There is also a fieldwork requirement involving a 3 day residential trip which all students are expected to attend ; this cost £250 in 2018-19.

What will I learn on this A Level course?

- An introduction to the key concepts and core themes of Geography;
- An understanding of geographical fieldwork techniques and a range of research methods;
- An opportunity to develop your understanding and geographical awareness through discussion of contemporary issues
- You will study topics such as: Globalisation, Global Systems, Global Governance, Changing Places, Contemporary Urban Environments, Carbon and Water Cycles, Hazards and Hot deserts.

What kind of student is this course suitable for?

This course is suitable for a wide range of students, with different backgrounds and experiences. You might be:

- interested in studying Geography or social sciences at a higher level, for example at University;
- interested in gaining the necessary skills sought after by any number of different types of employment
- wanting a course that might bridge the gap between Arts and Science subjects
- someone who is interested in making sense of the world we live in!

What could I go on to do at the end of my course?

- University, apprenticeships, the world of work- all Geography A level students will have enhanced their knowledge and skills and will be in a good position for the next steps of their careers.