

A Level Geography

Course introduction

The aims of the Edexcel A level in Geography are for students to:

- Gain enjoyment, satisfaction and a sense of achievement as they develop their knowledge and understanding of the subject.
- Be inspired by their geographical understanding, to engage critically with real world issues and places and to apply their geographical knowledge, theory and skills to the world around them.
- Grow as independent thinkers and as informed and engaged citizens, who understand the role and importance of geography in understanding the worlds changing peoples, places and environments.

Course Content

Year 12 Topics

Tectonic processes and hazards; and Landscape systems, Processes and Change (Glacial or **Coastal**)

Globalisation and Shaping Places (**Regenerating Places** or Diverse Places)

Year 13 Topics

The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity; and The Carbon Cycle and Energy Security.

Superpowers; and Global Development and Connections (Health, Human Rights and Intervention or **Migration, Identity and Sovereignty**).

All Year 12 and Year 13 topics are assessed at the end of Year 13 with two 2 hour 15 minute written examinations, each worth 30% of the qualification and one 2 hour 15 minute written examination (synoptic based on a geographical issue) worth 20% of the qualification.

Coursework: Independent investigation

Assessed as a 3,000-4,000 word, individual written report, completed during Year 13 and worth 20% of the qualification.

Fieldwork

Students complete a minimum of 4 days fieldwork which will be assessed through the Independent Investigation. These will be completed during a residential visit at the start of year 13. Students investigate coastal management along the North Norfolk coastline and regeneration in Norwich.

Further information

If you require any further information or have any questions, please contact Mrs Breider, Head of Geography.

