



**What will I learn?**

This subject is the study of contemporary geography studying the relationship of human populations to each other over space and time and their relationship with their environment from the local to global scale. The new specification will excite students' minds, challenge perceptions and stimulate their investigative and analytical skills. This specification is designed to be taken over two years and is therefore a linear qualification. In order to achieve the award, students must complete all assessments at the end of the two year course. To look at a copy of the draft specification please use this link - <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/as-and-a-level/geography-7037>

**Highlights**

The five day fieldtrip is an excellent opportunity to strengthen and make new friendships, have fun and to further enhance geographical knowledge, skills and understanding.

**What are the recommended entry requirements?**

Grade 7 or above in Geography GCSE or IGCSE.

**How will I be assessed?**

**Component 1 physical geography exam (40% of A-level):**

Structured multiple-choice, short and extended questions; 2 hour 30 minutes paper.

**Component 2 human geography exam (40% of A-level):**

Structured multiple-choice, short and extended questions; 2 hour 30 minutes paper.

**Component 3 geographical investigation (20% of A-level):**

Students complete an individual investigation of 3,000 - 4,000 words which must include data collected in the field (20% of A-level).

**What are the costs?**

Basic clothing for the fieldtrip – (boots/waterproof jacket).

Fieldtrip – approximately £400. Financial help may be available from the school bursary fund.

**Future Opportunities**

This specification has been chosen as a good basis for geography or a related subject in higher education as well as being of value to you going directly into employment.

Geography is a broad-based subject with links to many other subjects. It can be studied as a single subject in higher education whether in the field of arts or sciences depending on options chosen by the individual. Geography can also be studied in a great variety of combinations with other subjects. It is a subject valued by employers for various reasons including the subject's emphasis on problem solving skills and analysis and synthesis of a variety of types of data. Geography students go into a very wide range of types of occupation for example in the areas of planning, leisure and tourism, journalism and management.