

Geography A level



Hertswood

Why take this subject?

Geography is an increasingly popular and relevant subject for the changing world we live in. Population rise, food insecurity, energy insecurity, the threat of global warming- these are all aspects of the changing world we live in. Geography at A-Level provides the skills needed to access university curriculums, and is now classified as a facilitating subject, with many Institutions and degrees looking for it on UCAS applications.

What do I need to have studied in year 11?

- You must have at least 5 GCSEs at grades 9-5 including English and Maths
- At least a Grade 6 in GCSE Geography,
- Students who have not taken Geography will be considered depending on their English or other Humanities result

What will we study?

Dynamic Landscapes

Topic 1: Tectonic Processes and Hazards

Topic 2B: Landscape Systems, Processes and Change (Coastal Landscape and Change)

Dynamic Places

Topic 3: Globalisation

Topic 4B: Shaping Places (Regenerating Places)

Physical Systems and Sustainability

Topic 5: The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity

Topic 6: The Carbon Cycle and Energy Security

Human Systems and Geopolitics

Topic 7: Superpowers

Topic 9: Global Development and Connections (Health, Human Rights and Intervention)

How will I be examined?

Unit	Assessment	Weighting
Physical Paper	2 hour 15 mins Exam	30%
Human Paper	2 hour 15 mins Exam	30%
Synoptic Paper	2 hour 15 mins Exam	20%
Non-examined Assessment	External marked course work	20%

What super curricular opportunities will be available to me?

A-level Geography students have been given the opportunity to go to New York, Athens and Rome on previous trips. As well as trips to coastal locations in the UK, and various locations to collect data for your NEA. We frequently attend lectures in London too.

What can this subject lead to?

Geography A-Level is an excellent facilitating subject for many degree courses. A Geography A-Level can support you in gaining jobs in both the arts and the sciences, including: planning, environmental assessor, journalism, surveyor, manager, architecture, engineering, geologist, marketing leisure and tourism etc

Subject Specification

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/geography-2016.html>