

Geography

Course overview

A Level

Level 3

AQA

Are you interested in today's world? Do you want to find out more about topical issues currently in the news - topics such as river flooding, coastal management, problems of rapid population growth and the environmental impact of energy production? Then geography is the subject for you! This stimulating subject builds on knowledge gained at GCSE level.

Entry Requirements

You must have a minimum of 5 grades 9-4 (equivalent to A*-C) at GCSE, including English and Maths at grade 4, plus you must also meet the specific subject entry requirements.

Subject Specific Requirements

Grade 4 in English Language GCSE and grade 5 in Geography GCSE if taken.

Popular Subject Combinations

A Level: Maths, Biology, Chemistry, Sociology, Economics, English

BTEC: Applied Science, Travel and Tourism

Possible Enrichment Opportunities

Geography includes at least one compulsory residential field trip during the two year course. Students attend University lectures at Royal Holloway from Expert Speakers on Climate Change, as well as conferences on subject specific elements of the course such as Tectonics

What will I learn?

This is an ideal course to investigate a range of current global problems, develop your research skills and experience fieldwork in a variety of locations. Analyse information in graphical, photographic and cartographic formats. For example: water and carbon cycle, hazards, coasts, changing places, Global systems and governance and resource security.

How will I be assessed?

Two exams of two hours and 30 minutes taken in the Summer of the second year, each worth 40% of the final grade, plus a coursework component worth 20% based on the fieldwork carried out locally and on the residential trip.

Where might it lead?

Students' progress to a variety of careers, such as Planning, Estate Agency, Coastal Engineering, Military GIS, Aid Worker, Teaching and Market Analyst. Many of our students have also gone on to study Geography or related subjects at university and there are increasing global opportunities for Geographers in roles related to Conservation and the Environment

Niamh O'Donoghue (ex pupil of Gumley House Convent School)

"Geography at A Level is all around us and it links with many other subjects. I thoroughly enjoyed studying Geography at Strode's College."

If you would like further information about this course please contact the admissions team at

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