Geography

SpecificationAQA GeographyExamination80%Fieldwork20%



Geography helps you to make sense of the world around you. It is hands on, it is relevant and it is fun. Geography will help you get to grips with some of

the big questions which affect our world and understand the social, economic and physical forces and processes which shape and change our world. There are so many ways of learning in Geography. It is very practical with opportunities to learn new skills such as modern computer based mapping (called GIS), map skills, interpreting images, fieldwork skills, presenting, roleplaying and debating techniques.

Fieldwork, or working outside the classroom is a very important part of geography. Whether you go locally or get a chance to travel further away, it will be an excellent opportunity to experience some of the things you have learnt about in class, see things differently and of course have some fun. This is a skill that universities love to see on your UCAS applications, and needs to be included can put in the skills section of your CV.

Paper I: Physical Geography

- This will be a written exam: 2 hrs 30 minutes
- 96 marks
- 40% of final A-level

Topics include: Water and Carbon cycles (27 marks), Glacial systems and Landscapes (27 marks) and Hazards (42 marks)

Paper 2: Human Geography

- Written exam: 2 hrs 30 minutes
- 96 marks
- 40% of final A-level

Topics include: Global systems and Governance, contemporary urban environments and changing places

Paper 3: Geographical Investigation

- Individual fieldwork investigation
- 3000-4000 words
- 35 marks
- 20% of A-level
- Marked by teachers
- Moderated by AQA
- This will begin at the end of year 12 and carry on into year 13.

Any questions?

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