



# A Level Geography

## **Course details:**

The geography course will cover both physical and human environments and the complex interaction of processes that shape our world. It will also, importantly, show the applied side of the subject – how human intervention affects the environment and how people adapt and mitigate the effects of processes on their environment.

### **Physical Geography**

Water and carbon cycles.  
Hot desert systems and landscapes.  
Coastal systems and landscapes.  
Glacial systems and landscapes.  
Hazards.  
Ecosystems under stress.

### **Human Geography**

Global systems and global governance.  
Changing places.  
Contemporary urban environments.  
Population and the environments.  
Resource security.

## **Assessments:**

### **Paper 1– Physical Geography 40%**

Section A: Water and carbon cycles  
Section B: Either hot desert systems and landscapes or coastal systems and landscapes or glacial systems and landscapes  
Section C: Either hazards or ecosystems under stress.

### **Paper 2 – Human Geography 40%**

Section A: Global systems and global governance  
Section B: Changing places  
Section C: Either contemporary urban environments or population and the environment or resource security.

### **Paper 3 – Geographical Fieldwork 20%**

Students complete an individual investigation which must include data collected in the field. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue defined and developed by the student relating to any part of the specification.

