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Course Details

A Level Geography

Exam Board

Edexcel

Syllabus title

Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced GCE in Geography

Course Code

A Level - 9GEO

Course Content

Dynamic Landscapes

Topic 1: Tectonic Processes

Topic 2: Landscape Systems, Processes and Change – a choice of **either** 2.1 Glaciated Environments and Change **or** 2.2 Coastal Landscapes and Change

Dynamic Places

Topic 3: Globalisation

Topic 4: Shaping Places – a choice of **either** 4.1 Regenerating Places **or** 4.2 Diverse Places

Physical Systems and Sustainability

Topic 5: The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity

Topic 6: The Carbon Cycle and Energy Security

Topic 7: Climate Change Futures

Human Systems and Geopolitics

Topic 8: Superpowers

Topic 9: Global Development and Connections – a choice of **either** 9.1 Health, Human Rights and Intervention **or** 9.2 Migration, Identity and Sovereignty.

Assessment and weighting

A Level

Paper 1 – The Physical Environment (Topics 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7)

Written examination: 2 hours

30% of qualification (90 marks)

Paper 2 – Human Environments (Topics 3, 4, 8 and 9)

Written examination: 2 hours

30% of qualification (90 marks)

Coursework: Independent Investigation

Non-examined assessment

20% of qualification (60 marks)

Trips/visits

At least one Geography fieldtrip, likely to include 2 ½ days in Snowdonia (Year 12) and 4 days in Iceland (Year 13)

Future opportunities/career

International development (NGOs, Government agencies etc.)
Managing the effects of hazards and climate change
Human rights and law
Commercial/residential surveyor
Environmental consultant - sustainability
Geographical information systems officer
Town and transport planning

Quantity surveyor
Teacher
Marketing/Sales/PR
Meteorology (weather forecasting)
Oceanography
Journalist



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Person Specification	A Level Geography	
	Essential	
Qualifications/ School record	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B in English and Maths • 95% attendance in year 11 • Good attitude to learning in Geography KS3 and/or KS4 	
Attitude/Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard working • Positive • Enjoys fieldwork 	
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisation and time management • Able to identify trends and patterns (data analysis) • Can learn facts and figures, and retain information • An interest in many aspects of geography locally to globally • An interest in current affairs • Can structure written essays • Independence 	
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance on KS3/4 Geography fieldtrips 	
	Desirable:	
Qualifications/ School record	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B or above in Geography GCSE (Higher tier). If didn't take Geography at GCSE, a B in another Humanity based subject 	
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team worker – important for effective fieldwork • Leadership • Takes part in class discussions • Confident with mapwork • Confident with graphical and statistical analysis • Creativity in finding solutions • Reflective 	
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using maps (for example, DoFE and Scouts) • Developing and testing hypotheses • Experience of using GIS 	