



Maths & Computing

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.

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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)

Assessment and weighting

Trips/visits

At least one Geography fieldtrip, likely to include 2 ½ days in Snowdonia (AS) and 4 days in Iceland (A2)

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



Person Specification

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Qualifications/ School record	Essential
Attitude/Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 in English and Maths • 6 or above in Geography • 95% attendance in year 11 • Good attitude to learning in Geography KS3 and/or KS4
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard working • Positive • Enjoys fieldwork
Experience	<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
Skills	Desirable:
Experience	<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