Geography

AQA

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Entry Requirements

NHGS Sixth Form entry requirements.

Aims of the Course

The course provides a balance between Physical and Human Geographical concepts.

Students develop an understanding of the inter-relationships between people and their environments.

Graphical skills are central to the course and students will develop their own values and attitudes in relation to geographical issues, questions and fieldwork.

Course structure and content

Physical Geography Topics

Water and Carbon Cycles – impacts and changes.

Coastal landscapes – dynamic marine zones.

Natural hazards – problems and management.

Human Geography Topics

Global systems and global governance - changing world trade and decision making.

Changing places - how environments change.

Contemporary urban environments - how settlements change over time.

Geographical Investigation

Students complete an individual investigation which must include data collected by personal fieldwork. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue defined and developed by the student. This can relate to any part of the specification content.

Assessment

At the end of the Lower 6th, students sit an exam on all of the Lower 6th content. This does not count towards the final grade, but assesses the content at this half-way point before progression to the Upper 6th.

The final assessments at the end of the Upper 6th are as below:

Physical Geography Assessment - 40%
2 hours 30 minutes paper.

Human Geography Assessment - 40%
2 hours 30 minutes paper.

Geographical Investigation - 20%
3,000 – 4,000 words marked by teachers and moderated by AQA.

Future career opportunities

Geography links with many careers and further education courses, for example Planning, Tourism and Leisure Studies, Surveying and Cartography, and is recognised as a good foundation for many other degrees such as Politics, Sociology, Accountancy, Computer Studies. Geography is recognised by most universities as both an Arts and a Science subject.

Please scan here for further course information.