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## GEOGRAPHY

Examination Board: **AQA**

Syllabus: **7037**

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### WHY STUDY GEOGRAPHY?

Students will have the opportunity to:

Geography gives you an insight into the modern world. It gives you an understanding of our environment and some of the great global issues of our time. It bridges the Arts and the Sciences so appeals to a wide range of students. There is an opportunity to go on a residential field trip in which you are able to apply knowledge and skills to real life investigations.

### THE A LEVEL PROGRAMME OF STUDY: How you will be assessed

Unit	Unit contents	Assessment and duration
<b>Paper 1</b> – Physical geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Water and carbon cycles</li><li>• Coastal systems and landscapes</li><li>• hazards</li></ul>	2 hours 30 minutes
<b>Paper 2</b> – Human geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Global systems and governance</li><li>• Changing places</li><li>• Population and the environment</li></ul>	2 hours 30 minutes
Independent Study (NEA)		Approximate:3,000-to-4,000-word project

### HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Geography is regarded as an academic A Level when considering university and career choices. There are both BA and BSc courses in Geography, depending on a student's interest. It is possible to combine Geography with a range of Arts and Science disciplines. In relation to careers, the subject provides a range of key skills, such as communication, working with others and problem solving, which makes Geography a favoured subject with employers.

### SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must usually have achieved a grade 5 or above in GCSE geography in order to provide the required foundation for advanced studies. Grade 4 or higher is also required in mathematics and English at GCSE.

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