

GEOGRAPHY

A LEVEL (AQA)



This A Level will be suitable for a student who wants to gain a greater understanding of how the world works and their place within that world. You will have to be committed to carrying out four days of fieldwork over the two years. A level Geography is a two year course. At the end of the first year you will be awarded a grade for AS Geography. After the second year you will be awarded the full A level (A2).

What will you learn?

Unit 1 - 40% of the A Level

- Water and carbon cycles
- Coastal systems and landscapes
- Hazards.

Unit 2 - 40% of the A Level

- Global systems and global governance
- Changing places
- Population and the environment.

Unit 3 Coursework - 20% of A-level

Students complete an individual investigation of 3,000–4,000 words 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 content.

How will you be assessed?

Overall, A level Geography is 80% examination and 20% coursework.

Where will it take you?

There has never been a more important time to use geographical knowledge and skills to pursue a career. None of the changes and challenges facing the UK and the world in the 21st century, including climate change, energy security, migration, urbanisation and globalisation, can be properly understood, let alone tackled, without geography. This is the discipline that connects the natural and the human, the local and the global and in doing so, enables us plan sustainably for the future. Whether your future career lies in the environmental sector, business, education, the natural or social sciences, the media, in geospatial industries or in travel, geography opens up a range of choices for your future work and career.

Who to talk to?

Please speak to Miss Alice Gardiner or email: alice.gardiner@thebourneacademy.com

What will you need to study this course?

Five or more 9-4 grades at GCSE including English and Maths. A grade 6 or higher in GCSE Geography. If GCSE Geography was not studied at least a grade 5-5 in combined Science. A level Geography is a demanding academic course requiring strong analysis skills and an awareness of current events.