

# Geography

## Awarding Body

Assessment and Qualification Alliance (AQA)

## Course Level

AS and A2 level

## Course Leader

Miss L. Edwards

## Entry Requirements

5 A\*-C grades at G.C.S.E level

## Course Description

<b>AS Level: 2 units</b>	<b>A2 Level: 2 units</b>
At AS, students will study core human and physical geography. In each area of study students will consider the values and attitudes of decision makers, consider their own values and attitudes to the issues being studied and support their learning of ideas through the study of specific case studies. Students will also develop a variety of geographical skills, which will broaden and deepen existing knowledge and be employed with a greater degree of independence	At A2, students will continue to study a combination of human and physical geography. They will be required to choose whether to undertake preparatory investigative work in the field in order to be able to produce a fieldwork investigation, or undertake an issue evaluation exercise to extend the content within the specialised context of issue evaluation.
<b>Unit 1 Physical and Human Geography</b>	<b>Unit 3 Contemporary Geographical issues</b>
Students will complete a 2 hour examination worth 35% of the total A level marks based upon four of the following topics: Rivers, floods and management ; Cold environments, coastal environments and hot desert environments and their margins; Global population change :Food supply issues, energy issues and health issues	Students will complete a 2 hour examination worth 30% of the total A level marks based upon four of the following topics: Plate tectonics and associated hazards; Weather and climate and associated hazards; Challenges facing ecosystems; World cities – evolution or revolution? ; Development and globalisation ; Contemporary conflicts and challenges.
<b>Unit 2 Applied Geography</b>	<b>Unit 4 Geography fieldwork investigation</b>
Students will complete a 2 hour examination worth 15% of the total A level marks based upon: Basic, investigative, ICT, graphical, cartographical and statistical skills; Research skills and the assessment of AS fieldwork	Students will complete a 1 hour 30 minute examination worth 20% of the total A level marks based upon students' own fieldwork investigation.



### Did you know?

Prince William studied Geography A level at Eton and continued to study Geography at degree level at St. Andrews University.