



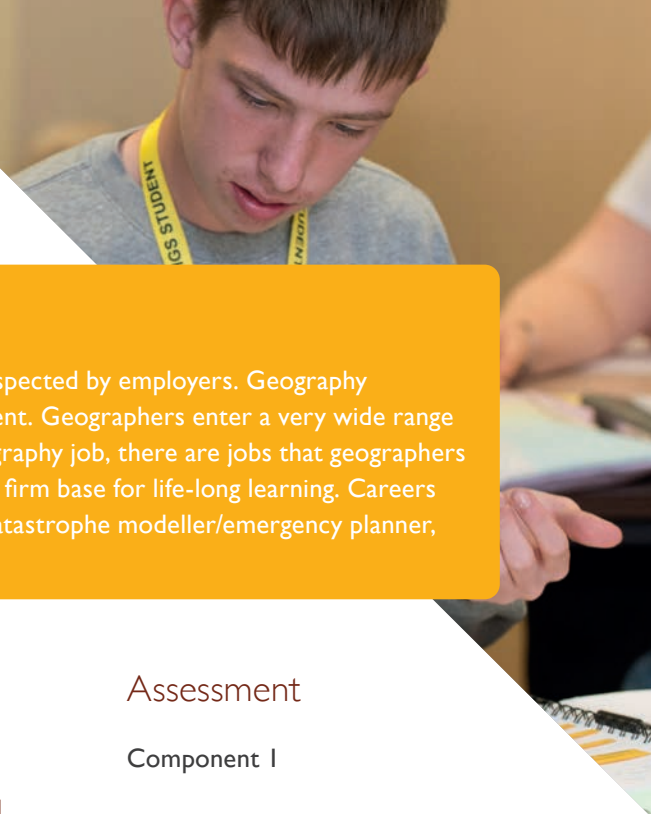
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GRAMMAR SIXTH FORM

Geography

Exam Board: AQA

The teaching is normally shared by all members of the department who contribute their own particular areas of expertise. Lessons include a variety of activities including discussion, group work and the use of video and IT resources. Fieldwork, including a residential session, plays an important part in the course. For purposes of fieldwork, a charge will be required.

Geography



Career Opportunities

Geography is a broad based academic degree which is well respected by employers. Geography graduates have one of the highest rates of graduate employment. Geographers enter a very wide range of career areas and put simply there is no such thing as a geography job, there are jobs that geographers do. Studying geography provides you with valuable skills and a firm base for life-long learning. Careers with a geography degree:-Journalist, Environmental lawyer, Catastrophe modeller/emergency planner, Landscape architect, Weather forecaster.

Course Content

YEAR 12

Water and Carbon Cycles

This section of our specification focuses on the major stores of water and carbon at or near the Earth's surface and the dynamic cyclical relationships associated with them.

Glacial Systems and Landscapes

This section of our specification focuses on glaciated landscapes.

Changing Places

This section of our specification focuses on people's engagement with places, their experience of them and the qualities they ascribe to them, all of which are of fundamental importance in their lives.

Contemporary Urban Environments

This section of our specification focuses on urban growth and change which are seemingly ubiquitous processes and present significant environmental and social challenges for humans.

Course Content

YEAR 13

Global Systems and Global Governance

This section of our specification focuses on globalisation – the economic, political and social changes associated with technological and other driving forces which have been a key feature of global economy and society in recent decades.

Hazards

This optional section of our specification focuses on the lithosphere and the atmosphere, which intermittently but regularly present natural hazards to human populations.

Assessment

Component 1

Physical Geography

Written exam: 2hr 30min

120 marks (40% of total A level)

Component 2

Human Geography

Written exam: 2hr 30min

120 marks (40% of total A level)

Component 3

Geography Investigation

Students complete an individual investigation which must include data collected in the field.

60 marks (20% of total A level)