# Geography



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#### **Exam Board**

Eduqas A Level Geography

### Why study Geography?

Studying Geography on local, national and global scales will enable you to engage critically with real world issues and develop a deeper understanding of the diverse issues the world faces in the 21st Century. It will challenge your perceptions and stimulate your investigative and analytical skills. Students will gain vital geographical, fieldwork and life skills including awareness of different attitudes and values, decision-making, and data analysis. The Independent Investigation is a great opportunity for students to investigate an area of Geography that interests them. The department aims to inspire a love of Geography by drawing on issues that are contemporary and relevant to a student's own experiences. There is no better time to study Geography!

#### **Course Outline**

#### Component 1

- Section A: Changing Landscapes (Glaciated Landscapes)
- Section B: Changing Places

#### Component 2

- Section A: Global Systems (Water and Carbon Cycles)
- Section B: Global Governance Change and Challenges (Processes and patterns of global migration and global governance of the Earth's oceans)

#### Component 3

- Section A: Tectonic Hazards
- Section B: Contemporary Themes in Geography (Ecosystems; Economic Growth and Challenge China)

#### Component 4

• Independent Investigation based on the collection of field data and secondary information

#### **Assessment**

Component 1: Changing Landscapes and Changing Places Written examination, 1 hour 45 minutes, 20.5 % of A Level

Component 2: Global Systems and Global Governance Written examination: 2 hours, 27.5% of A Level

Component 3: Contemporary Themes in Geography Written examination, 2 hours 15 minutes, 32% of A Level

# Where are they now?

Recent students of Geography at CRGS have gone on to study:

- Agriculture (Harper Adams)
- Biological Sciences (Durham, Teesside)
- Business and Finance (Northumbria)
- Civil Engineering (Nottingham, Sheffield)
- Environment and Geography (Leeds)
- Geography (Newcastle, Leeds, Lancaster, Glasgow, Birmingham, Salford)
- Geology & Physical Geography (Liverpool, Leeds)
- Human Geography (York St John)
- International Management (Nottingham, Lancaster)
- Law (Lancaster, Leeds)
- Physics, Astrophysics and Cosmology (Portsmouth)
- Real Estate (Reading)
- Sports Business and Coaching (Leeds)
- Veterinary Science (Nottingham)
- Degree Apprenticeship: (Vital Energi)

# Clitheroe Royal Grammar School

Founded in 1554

Component 4: Independent Investigation Non-Examined Assessment, 4,000-5,000 words, 20% of A Level

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

Q. Is any previous knowledge required to study this subject?

Students should have at least grade 5 in GCSE Geography.

Students are required to meet the General Entry Requirement of a minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 6 with at least GCSE grade 4 in English Language and Maths.

Q. What opportunities are there for Extended Learning?

Fieldwork is an important part of A Level Geography and there is a requirement to undertake field studies for this course. Recent trips have been organised to study Longridge Fell; the sand dunes at Formby, near Southport; urban change in Manchester; and a retail health check in local towns.

We run four days of fieldwork during Year 12 to help students to develop their investigative skills and to help them prepare for their Independent Investigation. We hope to organise an optional overseas study visit to take place during the two-year course, having visited Iceland in October 2023, February 2025 (and planned for Easter 2026).

# **Exam Board Specification**

Eduqas GCE A Level Geography

https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/geography-asalevel/#tab keydocuments

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