

GEOGRAPHY

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 Examination Board: WJEC

Course Outline:

AS: YEAR 12

Students will study human and physical geography modules.

In each module they will consider their own values/ attitudes to support their learning of issues/ideas through the study of specific places.

They will develop geographical skills to broaden and deepen existing knowledge through fieldwork and investigation.

A LEVEL: YEAR 13

Students will continue to study human and physical geography.

Students will undertake fieldwork to produce a fieldwork investigation

Entry Requirements:

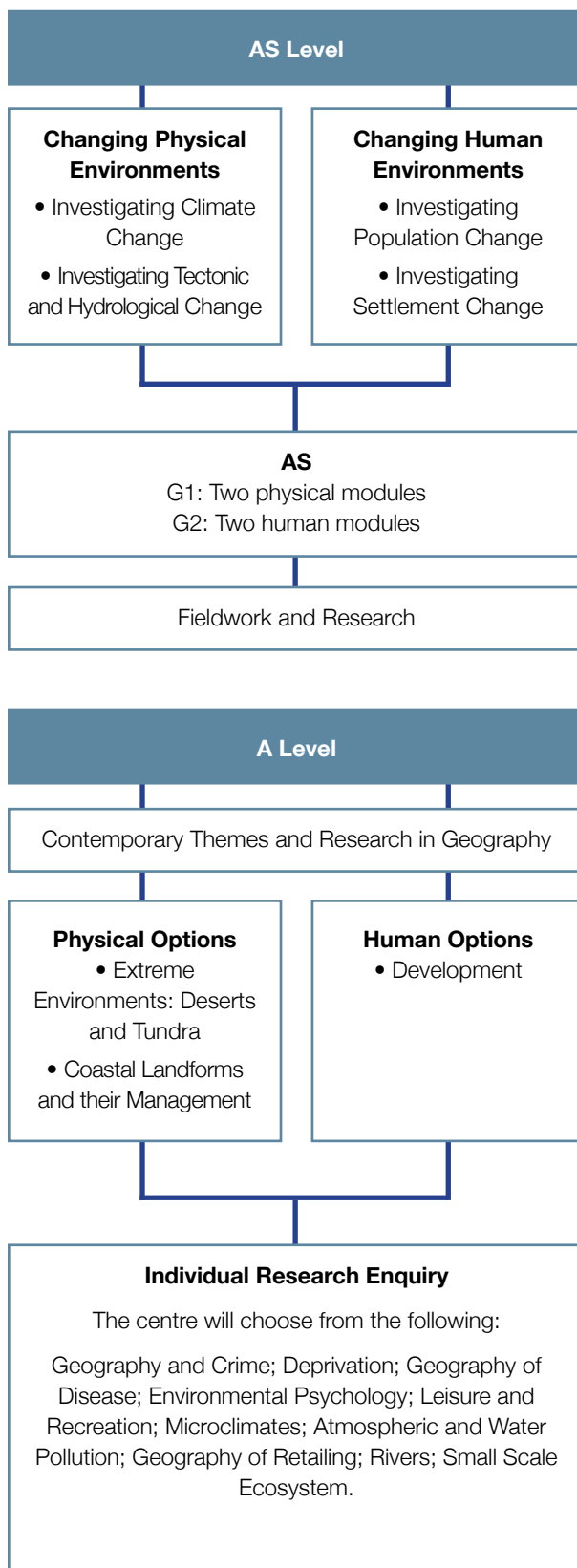
A minimum of C grade at GCSE is required. However, the department is willing to discuss suitability of Geography AS to students who have not followed the GCSE course and express an interest.

Students should be independent learners who can research topics themselves. They need to have good communication, problem solving and numeracy skills. Students must also be prepared to contribute to fieldwork activities outside the classroom.

AS Geography is ideal for students who have an interest in travel, people, place, the changing environment and contemporary issues affecting the world today.

What Will I Study?

The specification is divided into four units, two AS Units and two A2 Units: (see diagram on the right)



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How Will I Be Assessed?

AS LEVEL YEAR 12

G1: Physical Environments

1 hour 30 minutes, 50% of total AS
25% of total A Level.

G2: Human Environments

1 hour 30 minutes, 50% of total AS
25% of total A Level.

A LEVEL YEAR 13

G3: Contemporary Themes and Research in Geography

Section A: 1 hour 30 minutes

Section B: 45 minutes

30% of total A Level.

G4: Sustainability

Pre-release decision making exercise

1 hour 45 minutes, 20% of total A Level.

Career Opportunities And Progression:

Many employers recognise the skills developed by geographers. In a recent employers fayre a recruitment manager for National Westminster Bank stated that "geographers who have been recruited this year were all strong in the area of gathering information and analysis". It also stated they had well developed communication and strong interpersonal skills that can be applied to a number of working situations/environments.

POSSIBLE CAREERS IN GEOGRAPHY

Education, Professional Social Services: Teaching, Law, Social Work, Armed Forces, Police

Information Services: Census Officer, Systems Analyst

Business and Finance: Advertising, Marketing, Accounting

Leisure, Travel, Tourism: Air Traffic Control, Cabin Crew, Tourist Board

Scientific Services: Surveying, Cartography, Hydrology and Water Services

Management: Urban Planning, Landscape Architecture, Retail, Transport or Hotel Management.