

A LEVEL IN GEOGRAPHY

Studying Geography will give you the opportunity to travel the world via the classroom, learning about both natural and social sciences along the way.

The Geography specification is designed to excite your mind, challenge your perceptions, and stimulate your investigative and analytical skills.

Key Facts

Course Duration: 2 Years

Course Contents

You will study a combination of physical and human geography units.

Field work will be conducted as part of the course, this includes 2 days local fieldwork in Year 12 and 5 days fieldwork in Wales in Year 13.

Year 12:

- Hazards
- Water/Carbon Cycles

Year 13:

- Coastal Systems and Landscapes
- Globalisation and Global Governance
- Contemporary Urban Environments

Assessment objectives:

You will be assessed on your ability to:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of places, environments, concepts, processes, interactions, and change, at a variety of scales (30-40%)
- Apply knowledge and understanding in different contexts to interpret, analyse, and evaluate geographical information and issues (30-40%)
- Use a variety of relevant quantitative, qualitative, and fieldwork skills to investigate geographical questions and issues, interpret, analyse, and evaluate data and evidence, as well as construct arguments and draw conclusions (20-30%)

Features and Benefits

You will develop an understanding of the values and attributes in relation to the themes and issues being studied.

Geography will also help you with team-working and time management skills through the challenges of fieldwork activities.

The qualification will also challenge your understanding of geographical concepts and processes to understand and interpret our changing world as a global citizen. It will allow you to explore and recognise issues like sustainability and the implications for your own and others peoples' lives.

Minimum Entry Requirements:

All Loughborough College Sixth Form courses have minimum entry requirements of at least five GCSEs at grade C/4 or above, including English Language and Maths.

Subject Specific Entry Requirements:
GCSEs in Geography and Maths at grade 5.

Progression Opportunities

Students who study on a Geography pathway are highly employable. They gain transferable skills including numeracy, literacy & team work. Students who study Geography have to learn to think analytically and critically, have cultural agility, are socially and environmentally aware and are creative.

In their studies, Geography students build on their ability to integrate ideas effectively, problem solve, and develop computer literacy skills to a high standard.

Geography graduates are - according to the Higher Education Statistics Agency's 'Destination of Leavers from Higher Education' survey - less likely to be unemployed after their degree course than those studying almost any other subject.