# Geography

### Why study Geography?

Are you interested in understanding how the world works and how we can manage the environmental challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Geography allows you to see and understand the world from an expanding variety of viewpoints including culturally, temporarily and spatially. Geography will give you skills to promote economic development, improve our stewardship of natural resources and to protect the environment.

## What skills will I gain from studying Geography?

Geography will help you develop a number of skills individually and within teams. You will undertake research and analysis to develop critical analysis. Investigating global issues, you will communicate this to a variety of audiences in different ways. You will gain the ability to interpret natural phenomena and to judge evidence. You will also develop specialist and transferable skills including statistical, spatial and environmental analysis alongside other quantitative and qualitative skills.

#### Having studied Geography what opportunities will be open to me?

Geography is classed as a facilitating degree subject and a huge range of universities require A-level geography for their degree programmes, including earth sciences, geography, geology, archaeology, oceanography, leisure and tourism, among many others. Geography graduates have some of the highest employment rates due to its multidisciplinary characteristics, giving both social and physical science skills. A wide variety of jobs require geography for example careers in environment and sustainability, physical systems, business, finance, advertising, law, geographical techniques, international development, global issues, settlement, meteorology, tourism, environmental consultancy, leisure and culture.

#### **Entry requirements**

6 in Geography (if taken at GCSE) or Grade 6 in English Language or English Literature (if not).

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### **Topics covered in Y12**

Coastal systems and landscapes The changing water cycle A sense of Place Changing urbanisation

#### **Topics covered in Year 13**

The changing carbon cycle
Hazards- tectonic, tropical storms, wildfires
Changing urbanisation
Global systems and global governance

Field Trip - 4 days and 3 nights in Dorset