RUNSHAW COLLEGE

A Level 2027/2028

Geography

99% Pass Rate

77% A*-C Grades

42% A*-B Grades

15% A*-A Grades

Field trips, both locally & globally

A Level **Geography**

Geography is a dynamic subject and is at the forefront of understanding many of the world's current events. It is unique in bridging the social sciences with the natural sciences and allows students to investigate the links between people and their environment on both a local and global scale. In the first year, topics include Tectonic Processes and Hazards, Coastal Landscapes, Regenerating Places and Globalisation. In the second year, topics include The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity, the Carbon Cycle and Energy Security, Superpowers and Migration, Identity and Sovereignty. There are 3 exams at the end of the second year making up 80% of the course. 20% of the A Level is coursework, which is an independent investigation completed in the local area focusing on any geographical topic linked to A Level Geography.

"So many of the world's current issues boil down to Geography, and need the geographers of the future to help us understand them." Michael Palin.

At Runshaw, Geography is taught by a friendly, well-qualified and experienced teaching team. We offer regular 1:1 and small group support, with a focus on exam technique to help ensure that all students achieve their full potential. Students will have the opportunity to take part in local field trips to urban and coastal environments to apply their learning in the real world. We also offer trips further afield, with previous trips to London, Italy and Iceland. Students are offered numerous opportunities to extend their understanding outside the classroom, with opportunities to attend lectures delivered by the Geographical Association, webinars from external universities, a visit to Lancaster University and guest speakers from local industries such as the National Trust which help students apply their geographical understanding to real-life situations.

Students will also gain practical experience and develop key skills which will enhance their employability such as numeracy, literacy, environmental awareness and problem solving. Geography students tend to be good team players, have the ability to think analytically and critically, and are capable mathematicians. Ultimately, Geography students will develop a global mindset – they will understand different cultures and how industries work across borders. This global awareness will help students to succeed in an increasingly globalised world, and is a very desirable characteristic according to top employers.

In summary, 'Geography explains the past, illuminates the present and prepares us for the future'.

Entry Requirements:
A minimum of 5x Grade 5s, including Grade 5 in Geography, Grade 5 in Maths OR English (Language or Literature). If no Geography GCSE, Grade 6 in English AND Maths.

What's great about this course?

1. Increase your global awareness in a changing world
2. Develop transferable analytical and evaluative skills, as well as skills in numeracy and Geographical Information Systems

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