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A Level Geography

Course Title: A Level Geography	LARS/QAN Code: 6018940X
Level: Three	Awarding Organisation: AQA
Delivery: Classroom based	Start Date: 8/9/2020
Location: Headlands School	Url: http://www.headlandsschool.co.uk/
Cost: Covered by EFA funding	Duration: 2 years
Full-time or Part-time: Full-time	Attendance: Daytime
Who is the course for:	
<p>This course is for students who want to continue studying geography after GCSE. You'll already be familiar with some of the topics, but the A level will give you the chance to study these and some new ones, in much greater depth. It's for you if you are interested in current global issues like climate change, migration and environmental degradation. You might be choosing geography because you're headed for a career in a geography related occupation though it will give you a set of skills that can be used in a whole variety of careers. For some geography related careers, it's good to have studied geography in combination with subjects like maths, chemistry, physics or biology.</p>	
Entry requirements:	
<p>Typical grades needed 5 x GCSE grade 5 and above, plus a grade 6 in the chosen subject.</p>	
What you'll learn:	
<p>Component 1 Physical Geography</p> <p>Topics covered: Water and Carbon Cycles, Coastal Systems and Landscapes and Hazards</p> <p>Component 2 Human Geography</p> <p>Topics covered: Global Systems and Global Governance, Changing Places, Contemporary Urban Environments</p> <p>Component 3 Geographical Investigation</p> <p>Students will undertake fieldwork during the course. These will be on both human and physical geography topics. At least 4 days of fieldwork will take place during the course. They will collect, record and analyse data in order to examine hypotheses.</p>	

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An individual investigation of 3000 to 4000 words will then take place.

The assignment will count for 20% of the overall 'A' level mark.

How you'll learn:

You'll learn through formal teaching in the classroom including case studies, lectures, presentations, discussions, films, individual and group project work and debates. You will be expected to undertake private study including research, revision and homework tasks. There will be field trips and visits, geography careers and higher education talks.

What you need to bring:

A4 notebook and ring binder folder for both physical and human geography.

How you'll be assessed:

Question types include multiple choice, short answer and extended written answers.

There will be 2 x 2.5 hour examinations counting for 80% of the total marks.

Where next:

Continue to study Geography at University to degree level.

The skills you will acquire on this course, such as ICT, graphical and mathematical enquiry, planning and map work, are also useful for most jobs and university courses.

Previous students have gone on to employment in the fields of town planning, work with the environment agency, renewable energy, education, tourism and surveying.