



Geography

Exam Board	Edexcel
Course Entry Criteria	6 in GCSE Geography
Essential skills	Intellectual skills, such as critically evaluating theories and judging evidence in order to make informed decisions and to develop reasoned arguments. Research skills, such as using a range of technical methods for the collection and analysis of spatial and environmental data, and undertaking fieldwork. Transferable skills, such as teamwork, problem solving, IT skills and communication skills (presentation, writing, debating).
Year 12	<p>Area of study, Physical section – Dynamic Landscapes Topic 1 : Tectonic Processes and Hazards, Topic 2: Landscape Systems, Processes and Change- Coastal Landscapes and Change Area of Study, Human section. Topic 3: Globalisation Topic 4: Shaping places – Regenerating places Both units look at new concepts and geographical ideas as well as building on knowledge from GCSE, examples include Globalisation, population change, regeneration, flooding and tectonic activity.</p>
Year 13	<p>Area of study : Physical section Topic 3: Physical Systems and Sustainability Topic 5: The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity Topic 6: The Carbon Cycle and Energy Security Topic 7: Climate Change Futures Area of study : Human section Topic 8: Superpowers Topic 9: Global Development and Connections- Migration, Identity and Sovereignty Coursework: Independent Investigation – Following 4 days of fieldwork candidates will define a question or issue for investigation, relating to the compulsory or optional content. This topic may relate to any aspect of geography within the specification. The estimated cost for this trip is £340. Candidates will sit 3 external examinations following this 2 year course. Paper 1 30% Content overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Area of study 1 Topic 1: Tectonic Processes and Hazards ● Area of study 1 Topic 2: Landscape Systems, Processes and Change ● Area of study 3 Topic 5: The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity ● Area of study 3 Topic 6: The Carbon Cycle and Energy Security ● Area of study 3 Topic 7: Climate Change Futures Paper 2 30% Content overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Area of study 2 Topic 3: Globalisation ● Area of study 2 Topic 4: Shaping Places ● Area of study 4 Topic 8: Superpowers ● Area of study 4 Topic 9: Global Development and Connections Paper 3 20% The synoptic investigation will be based on a geographical issue within a place-based context that links to the three synoptic themes and is rooted in two or more of the compulsory content areas.</p>
University requirements	Typical grade requirements to study a Geography degree are as follows: Oxbridge: A* A A Russell Group: A* A A to A B B Non Russell Group: A B B to B B B
Related courses and careers	Geography is considered as both a science and humanities subject. Therefore, it leaves a wide array of career paths open for students. Whether they are interested in physical Geography careers such as hydrology, climate science or a human Geography career such as GIS and consultancy. However, most students use Geography as a subject which gives them a wide variety of skills, current affairs and understanding for any career path they wish to follow including: Banking, Retail, Teaching, Public Relations, Events Management and Media. Geography is highly regarded at university level and beyond and is therefore incredibly popular at Townley.