A Level Geography

Overview

This program aims to help students gain a better appreciation and understanding of a range of cultures and communities, along with their ideas and beliefs. Through the study of real-world examples, geography analyses interactions between physical and human geography, and how the environment shapes them at a local, regional, national, and international scale. As students work with a mentor to identify and focus on their weaknesses, they will develop a critical awareness over a range of topics, and understand the importance of the need for planning and sustainable development through the management of resources. This program aims to imbue students with a sense of place by investigating the world around them.

Objectives

- Develop awareness of the relevance of geography to understanding and solving contemporary environmental problems
- Understand the main elements of physical geography and human geography and the interdependence between them
- Understand and explain the causes and effects of change over space and time on physical and human environments
- Increase knowledge of, and ability to use and apply, appropriate skills and techniques including fieldwork

Structure

- Reflect on current knowledge of the range of subjects that Geography teaches and identify strengths and weaknesses
    - Develop a personalised curriculum
- Case study analysis
    - Focus on key global issues such as poverty, sustainability and climate change
    - Considering ways in which these influence decisions and interactions from a local to international scale
    - Critical thinking and problem-solving practice
    - Investigating the similarities and differences between places
- Develop data analysis skills
    - Question reliability and validity of data
    - Improve evaluative thinking
- Assist in report writing
    - Helping with data manipulation and presentation
    - Develop writing and oral presentation skills so as to benefit the students' communication of complex ideas
- Exam practice
    - Past papers
    - Planning and structuring responses