

Geography (HL/SL)12 (2016-2017)

Time: 8 x 35 minutes per week

Course Description:

The IB Geography course focuses on the interactions between individuals, societies and the physical environment. It seeks to identify trends and patterns in these interactions and examines the processes behind them. The course also investigates the way people adapt and respond to change and evaluates management strategies associated with such change. This year HL and SL students study the Core Theme 3 and 4, and HL students also study HL Extensions topics 4-7 and Optional Theme D: Hazards and Disasters.

Resources:

Nagle, G. and Cooke, B. (2012) IB Diploma Programme Geography Course Companion
Nagle, G. and Cooke, B. (2012) IB Diploma Programme Geography Study Guide

Main Topics Covered:

Semester 1

Core Theme: Patterns and Change (HL/SL)

1. Patterns in environmental quality and sustainability
2. Patterns in resource consumption

Higher Level Extensions: Global Interactions (HL only)

1. Environmental change
2. Socio-cultural exchanges
3. Political outcomes
4. Global interactions at a local level

Semester 2

Optional Theme: (HL only)

- D. Hazards and disasters – risk assessment and response.

Internal Assessment: Fieldwork Report (HL/SL)

Assessment

Internal Assessment for Reports	Weighting
Semester 1:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continual Assessment 1 (CA1) including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic Tests, Presentation/s and Assignments • Continual Assessment 2 (CA2) including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic Tests, Presentation/s and Assignments • Semester 1 Examination (SA1) 	20 10 70 100
Semester 2:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continual Assessment 3 (CA3) including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic Tests, Presentation/s and Assignments • Mock Examinations (SA2) 	25 75 100
NB. Three reports are distributed during the year. The first comprises CA1, the second CA2 and SA1 and the third CA3 and SA2.	