

# Geography Stage 6

Geography is an investigation of the world which provides an accurate description and interpretation of the varied character of the earth and its people. It is a key discipline through which students develop the ability to recognise and understand environmental change and the interactions which take place in our world.

Geography has many dimensions, two of which are emphasised in this syllabus:

- the ecological dimension considers how humans interact with environments
- the spatial dimension focuses on where things are, why they are there and how people interact differently with environments in different places.

Geographers investigate the opportunities for human activities, the constraints placed upon them and the impacts of these activities. The study of Geography allows students to perceive the world in a variety of ways and helps them make sense of a complex and changing world.

Geography is a life-long interest, stimulating a natural curiosity about how and why the world’s people and their environments are so varied.

Fieldwork is an integral component of the Stage 6 Geography course and may include excursions encompassing the local Illawarra region and the Sydney metropolitan area.

Preliminary Course	HSC Course
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biophysical Interactions: The interactions between, and the human impacts on, the functioning of the atmosphere, hydrosphere, lithosphere and biosphere.</li> <li>• Global Challenges: Geographical study of the social, cultural, political, economic and environmental challenges which are occurring at the global scale,</li> <li>• Senior Geography Project: Designing and conducting geographical Research.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ecosystems at Risk: Geographical study of the functioning of ecosystems at risk, their management and protection.</li> <li>• Urban Places: Geographical study of world cities, mega cities and the dynamics of large cities and urban Places</li> <li>• People and Economic Activity: Case studies of an economic activity on a global scale and an economic enterprise at a local Scale.</li> </ul>

