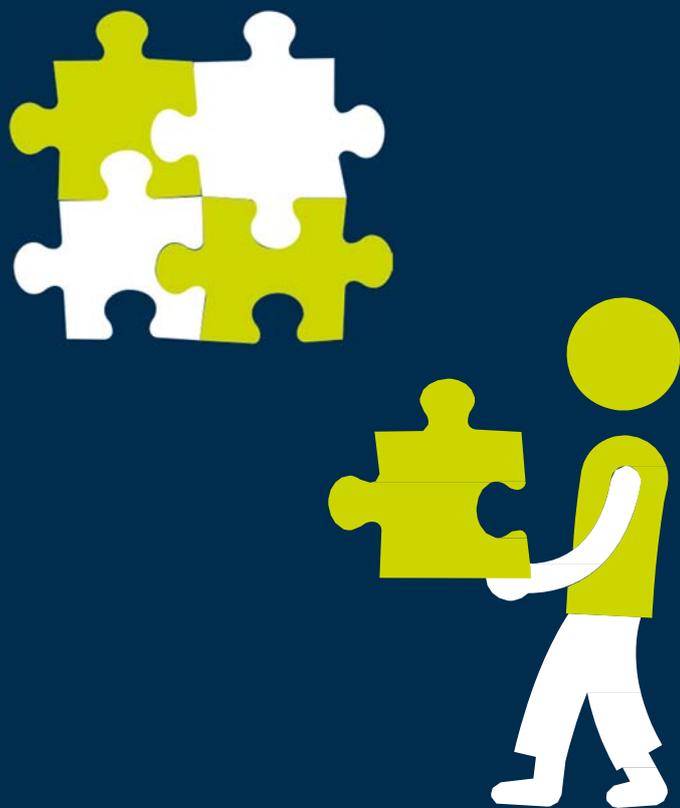




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Administrative Support Guide for Fieldwork

GCE Geography



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Overview

Fieldwork is an essential part of AS and A Level qualifications allowing candidates to apply their geographical knowledge, understanding and skills to different environments.

AS and A Level Geography specifications require students to undertake fieldwork which meets the minimum requirements of **2 days of fieldwork at AS Level**, and **4 days of fieldwork at A Level**. Centres are required to provide evidence of this fieldwork in the form of a written fieldwork statement. This guide is to help centres to meet the requirements of Pearson Edexcel AS and A Level Geography specifications in relation to fieldwork.

A Level Fieldwork

Non-examination assessment (Independent Investigation)

In the Non-examination assessment students are required to undertake an Independent Investigation that involves (but need not be restricted to) fieldwork, producing a written report. Students' investigations will incorporate fieldwork data (collected individually or as part of a group).

A Level students must complete a minimum of **four** days of fieldwork. Fieldwork must be carried out in relation to processes in physical and human geography. This is a Department for Education (DfE) requirement.

Centres are required to provide evidence of this fieldwork in the form of the written Fieldwork Statement. The Fieldwork Statement represents a true and accurate written declaration made by a centre to Pearson, confirming that students to which that centre has delivered the A Level Geography assessment has undertaken geographical fieldwork over **four** days and in relation to processes in physical and human geography.

The four days of fieldwork can include days undertaken as part of a separate AS Level in Geography.

Fieldwork must take place outside the classroom and school/college grounds. It does not have to take place in the UK necessarily.

Full details of the required fieldwork skills are provided in Appendix 2: Fieldwork skills within the specification.

Head teachers must complete, sign and date the Fieldwork Statement which can be found in the specification (Appendix 8). The Fieldwork Statement form is also available on page 6 of this document. If you prefer an electronic version of the form, it is available [HERE](#).

For candidates who are unable to undertake fieldwork due to **unforeseen circumstances**, a covering letter should be attached to the Fieldwork Statement with candidate details (full candidate name, candidate number and centre number), as well as outlining why the candidate(s) is unable to attend. Centres should also submit a [Special Requirement](#) request for these candidates.

AS Level Fieldwork

Examined-assessment

Fieldwork at AS Level is externally assessed in both AS Paper 1 and AS Paper 2. Students will answer one fieldwork question in each examination. The fieldwork questions will assess:

- knowledge and understanding of investigating geographical questions and issues
- interpretation, analysis and evaluation of information collected in a fieldwork context
- ability to construct arguments and draw conclusions in relation to the student's own fieldwork experience.

AS Level students must complete a minimum of **two** days of fieldwork. Fieldwork must be carried out in relation to processes in physical and human geography and outside classroom and school/college grounds.

AS Level students to carry out fieldwork in relation to: Area of study 1 Topic 2A: Glaciated Landscapes and Change OR 2B: Coastal Landscapes and Change AND Area of study 2 Topic 4A: Regenerating Places OR 4B: Diverse Places. Please see pages 8 and 9 of the AS Geography specification for a list of recommended fieldwork themes to help students meet the Fieldwork requirement.

Centres are required to provide evidence of this fieldwork in the form of a written fieldwork statement. The fieldwork statement represents a true and accurate written declaration made by a centre to Pearson, confirming that a student to which that centre has delivered the AS Level Geography assessment has undertaken geographical fieldwork over **two** days and in relation to processes in physical and human geography.

The AS Fieldwork Statement can be found on Page 7 of this document, and can also be found in the AS Level specification (Appendix 5). If you prefer an electronic version the form, it is available [HERE](#).

For candidates who are unable to undertake fieldwork due to **unforeseen circumstances**, a covering letter should be attached to the Fieldwork Statement with candidate details (full candidate name, candidate number and centre number), as well as outlining why the candidate(s) is unable to attend. Centres should also submit a [Special Requirement](#) request for these candidates.

Uploading your Fieldwork Statement

Completed and signed forms should be uploaded via the [website](#) by 15th May each year of assessment.

Once you reach the webpage, please click on the 'Upload Fieldwork Statement here' button.

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Centres are required to provide evidence of fieldwork in the form of the written Fieldwork Statement. The Fieldwork Statement represents a true and accurate written declaration made by a centre to Pearson, confirming that students have undertaken geographical fieldwork. The deadline to upload the Fieldwork Statement is 15th May.

For candidates who are unable to undertake fieldwork due to unforeseen circumstances, a covering letter should be attached to the Fieldwork Statement with candidate details (full candidate name, candidate number and centre number), as well as outlining why the candidate (s) is unable to attend. Centres should also submit a [Special Requirement](#) request for these candidates.

All fields marked with * must be completed before submitting this form

Examination series *	<input type="text"/> e.g. 1806
Subject code *	<input type="text"/>
Centre no. *	<input type="text"/>
Centre name *	<input type="text"/>
No. of candidates *	<input type="text"/>
Centre email address *	<input type="text" value="Example: myname@example.com"/>
Note	<input type="text"/>

Failure to return the Fieldwork Statement on time will constitute malpractice on the part of the Centre, see page 87 of the A Level specification and page 49 of the AS Level specification.

A Level Fieldwork statement

Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced GCE in Geography		9GEO/04	
Centre name:		Centre number:	
All students must carry out four days of fieldwork outside of the classroom and school grounds.			
Details of fieldwork			
Fieldwork day 1		Fieldwork day 2	
Fieldwork date: _____		Fieldwork date: _____	
Location: _____		Location: _____	
Number of students: _____		Number of students: _____	
Summary of geographical issues/questions investigated:		Summary of geographical issues/questions investigated:	
Fieldwork day 3		Fieldwork day 4	
Fieldwork date: _____		Fieldwork date: _____	
Location: _____		Location: _____	
Number of students: _____		Number of students: _____	
Summary of geographical issues/questions investigated:		Summary of geographical issues/questions investigated:	

Head teacher declaration

I declare that the fieldwork days recorded above have been carried out in accordance with the geography fieldwork requirements.

Head teacher name:			
Head teacher signature:		Date:	

AS Level Fieldwork statement

Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced Subsidiary GCE in Geography	
Centre name:	Centre number:
All candidates must carry out two days of fieldwork outside of the classroom and school grounds.	
Details of fieldwork	
Fieldwork day 1 Fieldwork date: _____ Location: _____ Number of students: _____ Summary of geographical issues/questions investigated:	Fieldwork day 2 Fieldwork date: _____ Location: _____ Number of students: _____ Summary of geographical issues/questions investigated:

Head teacher declaration

I declare that the fieldwork days recorded above have been carried out in accordance with the geography fieldwork requirements.

Head teacher name:			
Head teacher signature:		Date:	