

GCE GEOGRAPHY BULLETIN

JANUARY 2024 - NEWSLETTER

I hope you find this newsletter useful as you plan for the upcoming examinations and the remainder of this academic year. As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

CPD EVENTS, OCTOBER 2023

Thanks to all who attended our NEA CPD event in Cardiff and those who attended our online sessions reflecting on the exam series held in Summer 2023. All materials from the CPD events are now available free of charge on the secure portal.

SUPPORT FOR GCE STUDENTS 2024

Qualifications Wales have announced that there will be some statistical protection during the awarding process to prevent results falling substantially below pre-pandemic levels at a subject level, but no adaptations will be made to examination papers and there will be no Advance Information published this year. Further information on arrangements for 2024 can be found on the QW website [here](#).

GEOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2024

Please join us at the Geographical Association Annual Conference held at Manchester University from 4 to 6 of April. WJEC will be sponsoring two events at the Conference and members of our team will be available on the WJEC/Eduqas stand throughout. We hope to see you there.

INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION SUBMISSIONS

IAMIS will open for NEA mark submissions on **11 March**. Please ensure you despatch the requested sample investigations to moderators by **Wednesday, 20 March**. It is imperative that all required samples are dispatched before the Easter holidays.

As we make our return to pre-pandemic assessment arrangements, each learner completing the WJEC A level Geography qualification in Summer 2024 must have completed **the equivalent of four days of fieldwork in physical and/or human geography** over the course of their AS/A level studies. This could include opportunities provided 'in the field' and/or virtually to prepare for their NEA.

All centres with learners completing the A level qualification in 2024 must submit a 4-day fieldwork declaration to WJEC by 30 March. You can link directly to the required declaration via our GCE Geography homepage.

RESOURCES TO SUPPORT REVISION

As part of your students' exam preparation, why not direct them to our A Level Geography [Student Planner](#)? This document provides easy to access all our supporting digital resources including Blended Learning and Exam Walk-Through resources. Please also be aware of our [Knowledge Organisers](#) on each of the 14 specialised concepts. These can be used to stimulate discussion in class or as revision resources.

KEY DATES FOR SUMMER 2024

U1 AS Examination	Tuesday, 14 May (PM)	U3 A level Examination	Monday, 3 June (AM)
U2 AS Examination	Wednesday, 22 May (AM)	U4 A level Examination	Monday, 10 June (PM)
		Results Day	Thursday, 15 August

INTERESTED IN EXAMINING FOR WJEC IN 2024?

As an Examiner or Moderator, you will gain invaluable insight into the assessment process at WJEC, enhance your skill set, and increase your understanding of the subject content. All examiner training conferences in 2024 will be held online. Please register your interest by contacting us via GCEGeography@wjec.co.uk.

NEXT BULLETIN

The next bulletin will be sent out in September. In the meantime, may I take this opportunity to wish all your students every success during the forthcoming examination series.

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