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Dear Parents/Carers

Geographical Association Lectures : Autumn Term 2019

The Bristol branch of the Geographical Association is hosting a series of lectures designed to support A level students with their studies, which we encourage students to attend. These will be held at the Peel Lecture Theatre at the University of Bristol, BS8 1SS. The dates, times and outline of lecture content are outlined below:

Tuesday 24 September 2019, from 7.00 to 8.30 pm

Autumn Lecture 1: Tourism and human rights – justice and ethical dilemmas

Dr Stroma Cole, Senior Lecturer in Tourism Geography, University of the West of England

Tuesday 22 October 2019, from 7.00 to 8.30 pm

Autumn Lecture 2: Coastal flood risk on the Somerset coasts: Cause and effective management solutions

Dr Chris Spencer, Senior Lecturer in Tourism Geography, University of the West of England

Tuesday 19 November 2019, from 7.00 to 8.30 pm

Autumn Lecture 3: Development in response to climate change: Contesting the SDGs in Bolivia

Dr Jessica Hope, School of Geographical Sciences and Cabot Institute, University of Bristol

Whilst the lectures are not always completely matched to our specification, they do add to a student's wider reading. This is vital to their ability to 'think like a Geographer', which is credited in their end of Year 13 examinations. Moreover, students have often talked about these lectures in their personal statements on university application forms as evidence that they are interested in, and can demonstrate a willingness to explore their chosen subjects.

We are asking students to make their own travel arrangements to and from the University. The lectures are free to members of the Geographical Association, but there is a small charge of £2 to non-members, payable on the evening.

If students would like to attend these lectures, then they are asked to register at the email link; <https://www.bristolga.org.uk/current-programme/>.

We hope that these opportunities are taken up and enjoyed by students on our A level course.

Yours sincerely

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