



Geographers Association of Greece (G.A.G.)

G.A.G constitutes the first non-profit professional and scientific body of Geographers in Greece, who have graduated from the **Departments of the University of the Aegean (Mytilene)** and **Harokopio University (Athens)** or from abroad.

OUR ACTIVITIES

Up to now, the G.A.G. has taken a series of actions, which have contributed to the consolidation of our professional rights as well as to the promotion of our professional activities.

The most important activities are:

1. The integration of the Geography degree in the national curriculum for the secondary education (public and private). This gave us the opportunity to participate in the national exams held by the *Supreme Council for Civil Personnel Selection*
2. Promoting our occupational capabilities to ministries, regional administrations and departmental authorities, which resulted in the integration of the Geography degree in many more job announcements in public sector
3. The investigation of the actuarial obligations and rights of Geographers and the annual briefing of our members
4. Designing and conducting researches for the professional establishment of Geographers in Greece: their problems, objectives and their active involvement in local or regional markets. The first research was published in 2004, the second in 2006 and the third is going to be published by the end of 2011
5. The creation of a website for the presentation of our activities as well as sharing information with our co-members about new job announcements and other important issues

OUR FUTURE PLANS

The future priorities of G.A.G. include:

1. Actions for the qualitative improvement and strengthening of Geography in the national curriculum
2. Continuous updating and informing of public in general about the thematic fields in which our members are professionally involved along with the capabilities they can perform
3. G.A.G.'s participation in research activities with other institutions so that our profession is promoted and strengthened
4. Further demands (legislative, judicial, etc.), which can support our members' professional position in the public and private sectors

OUR STATUTE

The following are activities of the Geographers' Association of Greece (G.A.G.) according to its statute:

1. The G.A.G. organizes all sorts of events, conferences, talks, meetings and seminars on geographical issues and for the purpose of promoting the science of Geography in Greece
2. The G.A.G. furthers cooperation and joint action with scientific, student and training unions, with representatives of the productive classes, with Greek Universities and Technical Educational Institutes, with local authority representatives, as well as all public or private agents concerned directly or indirectly with the geographical space
3. The G.A.G. publishes books and journals, as well as educational and informational documents in general on geographical issues and for the purpose of disseminating G.A.G.'s objectives
4. The G.A.G. asserts an advisory role in Educational programs through appearances, representations and proposals to the various vehicles of administration in Education and all other competent bodies
5. The G.A.G. establishes activity committees for the purpose of promoting G.A.G.'s objectives in places around Greece
6. At the international level, the G.A.G. cooperates with organizations, school and university institutions, research and scientific centers, natural or legal persons pursuing similar objectives in Europe and the whole world, and works for the establishment of solid bonds for communication, mutual consultation and cooperation with international organizations such as the European Union and the United Nations

G.A.G. AIMS

Our aim is to defend, promote and guarantee for our members their professional, financial, actuarial and trade union rights. An important objective is to develop initiatives for the dissemination and promotion of Geography as a science in Greece.

At the same time, we promote the educational advancement and scientific training of our members as well as we present the plans for the development of the geographical education in Greece.

WHO CAN BECOME A MEMBER

As a member of G.A.G may enroll anyone who is a holder of graduate, postgraduate or doctoral title of any Department of Geography

Why Should I Become a Member?

1. You are informed with the latest information about our professional rights and about any subject concerning Geographers' occupational capabilities and working rights in Greece
2. You are an active member of our community for any actions taken towards the local authorities and the governmental bodies
3. Each member of G.A.G. receives a username and password for direct access to the Members' area in our website (www.geographers.gr). The particular field provides you with information about job announcements, laws, governmental circulars and other useful information

HOW YOU MAY BECOME A MEMBER

Those willing to become members of the Geographers Association of Greece should to:

1. E-mail your contact details (Name & Surname, Home & Work Address, E-mail Address and optionally your Phone Number) and a photocopy of your Geography degree to: geographers.gr@gmail.com
2. Payment of registration fee (3€) and annual subscription (20€) in ATE BANK (IBAN GR6804306230000020400311457)

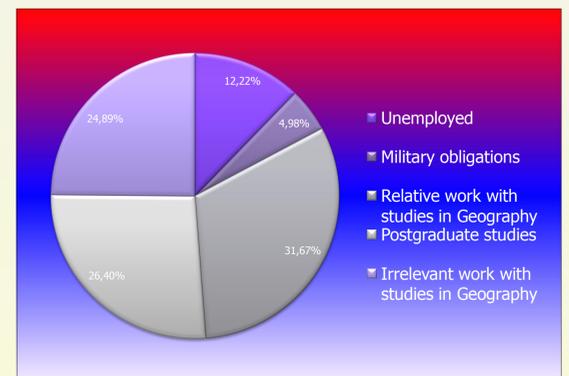
Please note that the deposit has to be nominal and the registration fee is paid only once.

GEOGRAPHERS IN BUSINESS *

Sex distribution among graduates and relation between sex and postgraduate studies

SEX		Postgraduate studies			Total
		With Postgraduate Studies	Postgraduate studies in progress	Without Postgraduate studies	
Male	Graduates by %	34,60%	28,40%	37,00%	100%
Female	Graduates by %	19,30%	27,90%	52,90%	100%
Total	Graduates by %	24,90%	28,10%	47,10%	100%

Employment distribution among graduates and relation between occupation and the use of Geography degree

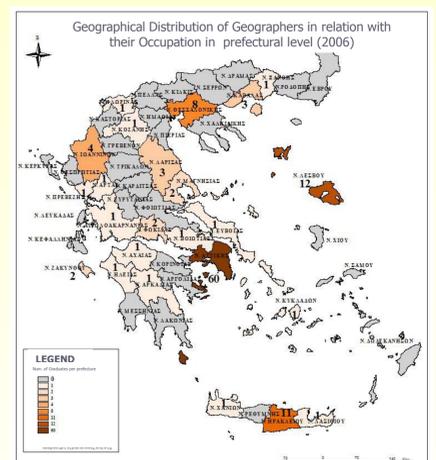


Relation between postgraduate studies and occupation

		Postgraduate studies			Total
		With Postgraduate Studies	Postgraduate studies in progress	Without Postgraduate studies	
Relative work with studies in Geography	Graduates by %	47,10%	15,70%	37,10%	100%
Irrelevant work with studies in Geography	Graduates by %	18,20%	1,80%	80,00%	100%
Postgraduate studies in progress	Graduates by %	13,80%	86,20%	0,0%	100%
Military obligations	Graduates by %	27,30%	0,0%	72,70%	100%
Unemployed	Graduates by %	3,70%	0,0%	96,30%	100%
Total	Graduates by %	24,90%	28,10%	47,10%	100%

Relation between sex and occupation

		SEX		Total
		Male	Female	
Relative work with studies in Geography	Graduates by %	34,30%	65,70%	100%
Irrelevant work with studies in Geography	Graduates by %	32,70%	67,30%	100%
Postgraduate studies in progress	Graduates by %	39,70%	0,0%	100%
Military obligations	Graduates by %	100%	0,0%	100%
Unemployed	Graduates by %	18,50%	81,50%	100%
Total	Graduates by %	36,70%	63,30%	100%



*Research conducted and presented by G.A.G. on February 2006 in Athens.

For more details please visit: http://www.geographers.gr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=48&Itemid=57&lang=el (in Greek).