

# Examples of good statements included in Professional Self Evaluations

At XXX I initiated a series of staff meetings where team members were asked to make presentations on a number of topics. It is within this forum that I, as the GIS specialist presented a program of seminars on; geographic principles and my findings from AGI events and conferences. In addition to running internal seminars, I also took it upon myself to provide guidance and training to our customers on spatial geography.

I actively continue my professional development by participating in a variety of events, including the ESRI EMEA User Conference, AGI seminars, RGS events and professionally recognised training courses. I have pursued activities beyond those expected of me in my professional roles, such as attending public events in my own time, mentoring new staff, and leading on projects that are beyond my job description.

I enjoy developing my knowledge through reading topical publications and magazines such as Geographical Journal, 'Geographical', and Geo-connexion magazine. I use the RGS and AGI websites to keep up to date on industry development, and often attend special interest events and talks, such as the Geodata events, and various meetings with data suppliers and software vendors.

I have become involved with a local historical society to provide GIS support following the commissioning of a LIDAR survey to further investigate ancient human activity along the Cotswolds escarpment.

I actively led successful campaigns to schools to raise awareness among secondary school students on the desirability of studying geography in the University. This was in response to the very low applications to geography departments because of the perceived wrong notion that geography is not a professional subject, and most students want to study 'professional courses' in college.

I have worked hard over the past few years to promote geography and GIS outside of my work environment. A key aspect of this has been acting as a Geography Ambassador for the RGS-IBG.

Outside of XXX I am keen to promote how Geography is practically used in the work place. I recently visited a local Geography 6<sup>th</sup> form class to help conduct a flood risk mapping exercise involving the students.

I feel strongly that participation in the wider GIS community is important so have funded and resourced this for myself. I am a member of the AGI special interest groups for Local Government, Address Geography and Land and Property.

Outside of XXX I have gained knowledge through CIWEM seminars, hydrology group meetings and Environment Agency Partnering Workshops. I have recently joined the British Hydrological Society. I am also committed to furthering my knowledge of wider geographical issues through an awareness of world news and through reading various environmental journals.

Outside of work I make a contribution to the geographical community in a number of ways. I attend relevant CIWEM and BCS meetings related to GIS. A selection of GIS reading materials (e.g. AGI electronic newsletters) are made available at work, which are read in my own time to keep abreast of current technology and methods in the GIS field.