

Chartered Geographer (CGeog)

Do you use geographical knowledge and skills on a daily basis? Would you like a professional accreditation that recognises your work as a geographer? Chartered Geographer status is relevant whether you are involved in academic research or private-sector consultancy, whether you work for a public sector agency or a business, whether you work in national or local government.

Chartered Geographer (CGeog) is the professional development scheme run by the Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers) and the only professional accreditation for geographers. It is the same in concept and scope to chartered accreditation in other professions such as Chartered Accountant, Chartered Engineer, Chartered Architect, Chartered Surveyor, etc.

The benefits of Chartered Status – there are many benefits associated with Chartered Geographer status, notably:

- **Recognition:** Proves to employers, clients and the public that you demonstrate competence, experience and professionalism in geographical knowledge, understanding and skills; Enhances your career profile and can assist in advancing your career as it demonstrates significant personal development and a commitment to ongoing development
- **Personal Development:** Provides support to structure your own personal development and learning; Keeps you abreast of developments within the discipline; Provides opportunities for networking
- **Benefits to Employers:** Provides the impetus and incentive to individuals to keep CPD and training current; Helps ensure you have a highly skilled and respected workforce and documents this to others
- **Fellowship (FRGS) of a Prestigious Learned Society - The Royal Geographical Society (with IBG):** Enjoy a rich variety of London and regional lectures and events; take advantage of a vast array of resources - publications, journals, books, online resources, archives and maps; Attend special networking events; Support and contribute to the future of geography

Criteria - If you are interested in applying you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a Fellow of the RGS-IBG (apply for Fellowship at the same time as CGeog)
- Hold an Honours degree or BEd in Geography and have a minimum of 6 years full time geographical experience since graduation or if you do not hold a degree, have 15 years of geographical experience
- Clearly demonstrate that they are undertaking a range of CPD (Continuing Professional Development) activities
- Specifically address the requirements for validation, and justify in the Professional Self-Evaluation why they want to become a CGeog and what they have to offer

For More information:

- Further information and all application documents on the website: www.rgs.org/charteredstatus/apply
- To find out more contact the Professional Officer. E: cgeog@rgs.org