

AAG Career Resources Available for Recent Grads, Students, and Jobseekers

With the spring semester behind us and as many new graduates entering the job market, employment prospects weigh heavily on the minds of many geographers. Whether looking for your first professional position, seeking a new opportunity, or considering a summer internship, the Jobs and Careers area of the AAG website (www.aag.org/careers) provides a variety of helpful resources, including content specifically created for geographers.

Earlier this year, the AAG reorganized the site structure to improve navigation, created new sections such as a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page and a collection of "tip sheets" about career preparation, and added an assortment of materials based on the recent AAG book *Practicing Geography: Careers for Enhancing Society and the Environment*, published by Pearson Education. The revised site features expanded and updated existing resources, including salary data and employment trends for geography-related careers and a new collection of profiles of professional geographers who represent a wide range of industries and occupations.

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our activities must engage in a political discussion of social injustice, a conversation that entails a collective, collaborative, and ongoing process that pays special attention to people's experiences, feelings, ideas, and actions; seeks to understand and challenge oppressive and exploitative structures and institutions; supports and generates people's political agency by addressing 'personal' concerns and taking them seriously; questions the meaning for differently situated people of oppression and liberation; and proceeds non-judgmentally but cultivates the political judgment needed to act in response to violence and other forms of injustice.

As teachers and researchers, as members of an organization, what are our responsibilities? As long as societal injustices

If you're visiting the site for the first time or if it has simply been a while since your last visit, we suggest that you start your exploration in the section entitled "About Geography Careers." Here we provide an overview of the many career paths available to geographers, including recent salary and employment data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. You can learn more about specific industries and positions by browsing our profiles of professional geographers. The "Preparing for a Geography Career" section provides the "nuts and bolts" of locating openings and creating application materials that will impress prospective employers. Explore an array of professional development "tip sheets," connect with content specialists who can answer your questions about their research interests, investigate educational opportunities, and access reference lists for further research. The "Career News" page highlights current events and recent information of relevance to professional and prospective geographers, and the "Career Events" calendar includes information about upcoming professional development opportunities. AAG Members are encouraged to

suggest events and articles to be featured by emailing us at careers@aag.org.

In the weeks to come, look for new additions, such as "snapshots" of the employment prospects for geographers the business, government, and nonprofit sectors and summaries of the many careers-related panel discussions that took place at the 2012 Annual Meeting in New York. We will also be posting announcements about sessions and special events being planned for the 2013 Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, beginning late this summer.

We hope that the Jobs and Careers pages will continue to be a dynamic and timely source of useful information, and we look forward to continuing to develop and improve this section of the AAG website with your ideas and input. To share your feedback or suggest additional resources, contact Joy Adams, AAG Senior Researcher. ■

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remain, we cannot deny our responsibility to help students—and the public, and the "state"—understand these problems. If we are willing to accept this claim, then it will be possible to develop the skills and the techniques to provide just and humane alternatives: to ensure that no person is abandoned to live and die in *terra nullius*. ■

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