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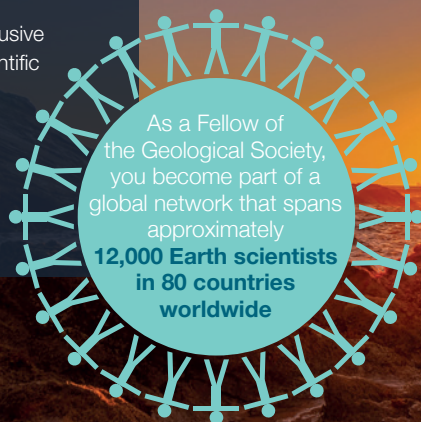
Fellowship Guide 2024



Welcome to the Geological Society

The Society is dedicated to cultivating a dynamic and inclusive Earth science community. The focus is on advancing scientific knowledge, addressing significant global challenges and nurturing future leaders in Earth sciences.

Becoming a Fellow signifies more than membership; it represents a dedication to the Earth sciences, as indicated by the post-nominal letters 'FGS'.



Benefits of Fellowship

Community & Networking: Engage with a diverse and international Earth science community, offering a wealth of knowledge-sharing and networking opportunities.

Exclusive Rates: Benefit from preferential rates for conferences, Training Courses and events.

Professional Development: Access an array of resources and opportunities specifically designed to support career advancement.

World-Class Library: The Society's extensive geoscience library stands as one of the most comprehensive in the world.

Publications & Resources: Special discounts on books and exclusive access to the Lyell Collection's wide range of journals and content are available.

Global Mapping: The Society's comprehensive map collection ranges from historical geological maps to contemporary cartography.

Geoscientist – the quarterly membership magazine delivered to your door – is more than a news outlet. Featuring a vibrant mix of science, opinion and news, *Geoscientist* aims to stimulate thinking within and beyond fields of expertise, complementing professional development and keeping you up to date with advances across the Earth and planetary sciences.

Geoscientist is also available digitally, together with additional content, including Science Snapshot videos and podcast interviews at geoscientist.online



Chartership: A Benchmark of Professional Excellence

As a Fellow, the opportunity exists to elevate your professional standing by achieving the status of Chartered Geologist (CGeol) or Chartered Scientist (CSci).

Benefits:

Global Recognition: Stand out as an authority in your field.

Enhanced Skills and Confidence: Elevate your professional capabilities.

Credential Verification: Affirm your skills and qualifications.

Career Progression: Improve your potential for leadership roles.

Ethical and Global Standing: Achieve international recognition while underscoring your commitment to ethical practices.

Commitment to Learning: Show your dedication to ongoing skill and knowledge development.

Chartership and Your Career

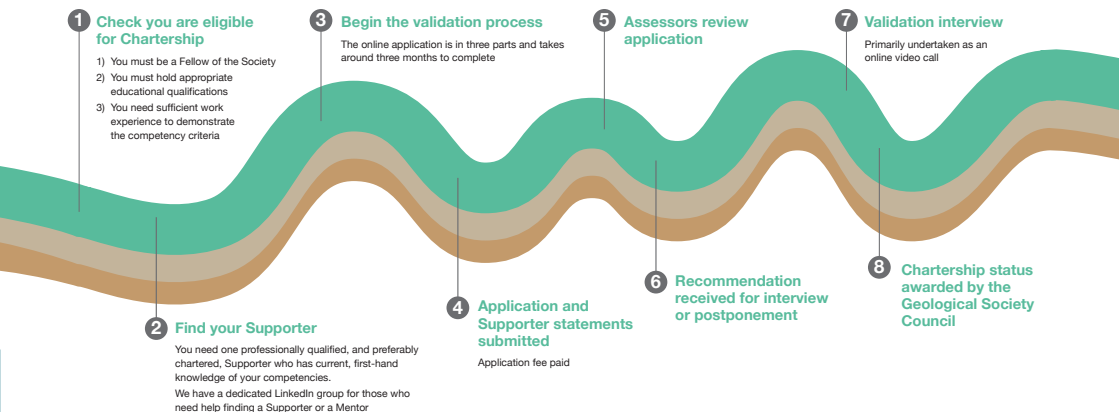
Regulatory Compliance: CGeol status is a pre-requisite to being a 'competent person' under many international reserves and resources reporting codes in the CRIRSCO family.

EurGeol and Global Partnerships: With CGeol, you can apply for the highly regarded title of European Geologist (EurGeol).

Supplementary Qualifications: Obtain additional credentials like SiLC, RoGEP and CSCS.

Ongoing Development: The Society aids Chartered Fellows in upholding high standards via continuous professional development, including Geological Society Training Courses.

[Learn More geolsoc.org.uk/chartership](https://geolsoc.org.uk/chartership)



Stay Connected

Join the Chartership Mentors Group on LinkedIn: It is a space for Chartered candidates to support those looking for a mentor or respond to potential applicants' ad-hoc mentor-related queries.

Become a Chartership Assessor: The Chartership Assessors Group on LinkedIn provides a forum for Assessors to share knowledge about aspects of the Chartership application review process and keep up to date with developments.

For more information on becoming a Chartership Assessor,

visit geolsoc.org.uk/membership/chartership-and-professional/chartership-assessors

Training Courses

The Geological Society serves as a catalyst for your professional advancement, offering online and in-person courses. These courses are delivered by experts in diverse sectors, ensuring you remain at the forefront of geoscience knowledge.

Upcoming 2024 Training Courses

- Groundwater Controls.
- Geoscience Data Interpretation.
- Fundamentals of Foundation Design.
- Carbon Capture and Storage.
- Among others...

These courses are integral to your Continuous Professional Development (CPD) and can be recorded as part of your progression towards achieving and maintaining your Chartership status. CPD activities can be logged via MyGSL on the Society's website.

Benefits for Fellows

- Discounts of up to 50% on Training Course registration fees.
- Group discount options.

For enquiries and Training Course registration, email training@geolsoc.org.uk

[Learn More geolsoc.org.uk/trainingcourses](https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/trainingcourses)



'The courses provided by the Geological Society are delivered by experts in their field and bring real-world examples into their presentations to demonstrate the application of the theory. The courses also look for audience participation to reinforce the information provided and question and answer sessions at the end. Attendees of courses have an opportunity to learn more and develop their knowledge and understanding of a specific area of geoscience.'

Alison Graham,
Course Instructor



Events and Burlington House

The Geological Society hosts a dynamic programme of conferences and events that serves to unite and engage people passionate about geoscience and its role in addressing global challenges.

Exclusive benefits for Fellows

- Preferential rates for Society-organised meetings, events and lectures.
- Complimentary admission to thematic webinars and the annual GeoFutures symposium.

Noteworthy Events for the Current Year

- Complimentary attendance at the inaugural Peter Fookes Meeting for Engineering Geology, exclusively for Fellows.
- Specialised conferences covering topics such as Salt Tectonics, Geohazards, Geoengineering and Georesilience.
- And much more...

Learn More geolsoc.org.uk/events



Burlington House: A Central London Resource

The Society's central London location is an optimal work, study and professional collaboration environment, enhanced by complimentary Wi-Fi access.

Venue Hire

Burlington House offers a selection of unique venues to meet various needs, from a modern, tiered lecture theatre to smaller, adaptable rooms. All venues are furnished with cutting-edge AV technology. Fellows receive special rates.

The Venue Hire team can be contacted at venuehire@geolsoc.org.uk



Professional, Scientific Publications and the Lyell Collection

As a Fellow or student member, complimentary online access is available to one of the following journal options:

- Journal of the Geological Society and Quarterly Journal of Engineering Geology & Hydrogeology.
- Petroleum Geoscience.
- Geochemistry: Exploration, Environment, Analysis.
- Geoenergy.



Stay updated with the latest research by signing up for email Table of Contents alerts within the Lyell Collection.

Learn More

geolsoc.org.uk/online_content_alerts

Open Access

Fellows are eligible for up to a 25% discount on Article Processing Fees for Open Access publishing in journals and books owned or co-owned by the Geological Society, including the new GeoHorizons book series. Eligibility criteria apply.

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The Book Archive and Additional Options

- Gain online access to an extensive Book Archive of over 500 books published before December 2020.
- Upgrading options are available for more journals and the Full Book Collection, which includes all books published since January 2021.

Exclusive Savings for Fellows

- Enjoy substantial discounts of up to 50% on printed Society books, including Special Publications, Memoirs and Engineering Geology Special Publications.
- Further member discounts are available on a selection of titles in the online bookshop.

Browse the extensive range of publications at the Geological Society Bookshop

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Partner Publications

- Benefit from discounted subscriptions to Geology Today by Wiley and GSA's Geology.



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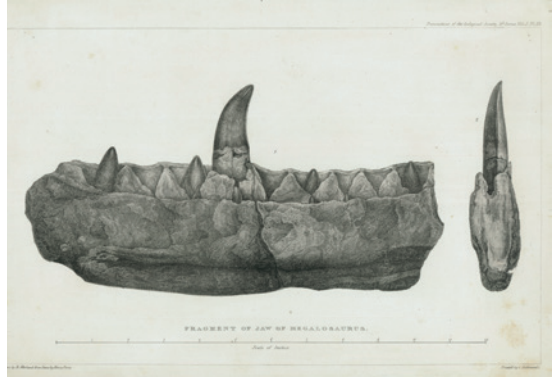
The Geological Society Library houses one of the world's finest collections of geoscience literature, managed by a dedicated professional team. The library offers Fellows a wealth of resources from rich historical archives, an unrivalled map collection and the latest scholarly research delivered straight to your device or desktop.

The Map Collection

- Over 40,000 maps, including historical examples dating back to 1808.
- Features noteworthy items such as William Smith's iconic Strata map.

Services

- Access to e-books and e-journals via OpenAthens.
- Postal loans, complimentary literature searches and document scanning.
- Online and in-person Library training.



Rare and Historic Collections

- Rich archives covering the history of the Society and of geology.
- 3,500 rare books, dating back to the 16th century.

Learning Spaces

Study spaces with Wi-Fi available at Burlington House

For more details, visit geolsoc.org.uk/library or email library@geolsoc.org.uk

To register for OpenAthens, navigate to geolsoc.org.uk/eresources

For historical images, explore geolsoc.org.uk/picturelibrary



Engage in Geoscience Communities



Regional and Special Interest Groups

Participate in one of 15 UK-based Regional Groups or the Hong Kong group for a range of scientific and social activities. Various Professional and Scientific Interest Groups are also available.

To stay informed, ensure your contact details are up to date. Further information can be found at geolsoc.org.uk/groups



Commitment to EDIA: Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility

The Society is dedicated to cultivating a diverse and inclusive Earth science community, guided by EDIA principles in all activities.

The Geological Society aims to:

- Adhere to EDIA legislation to ensure fairness and equality.
- Employ data-driven strategies to inform EDIA initiatives.
- Work to eliminate barriers to participation.
- Collaborate with organisations that share a commitment to equity.
- Set a standard for inclusivity in the Earth science community.

For more information, visit geolsoc.org.uk/diversity

Supporting Science and the Profession

Policy

As issues such as climate, environment, energy and hazards dominate global discourse, the need for accurate, trustworthy and timely scientific advice in public policy making is more critical than ever. The Society is committed to integrating geoscience into emerging and evolving policy discussions, promoting evidence-based solutions to global challenges. The Society serves as a bridge between the geoscience community and policymakers, providing timely, quality-assured expertise. Through collaborations with science policy organisations both in the UK and globally, the Society ensures that the voice of the geoscience community is heard in broader scientific discussions.

If you would like to be notified when a consultation or inquiry opens, or if you would be interested in providing technical input for policy briefing notes, please sign up for the Society's database of expertise.

Learn More geolsoc.org.uk/policy



Education

As a trusted and accessible source of information, the Society's education programme supports students and teachers from primary education to university. Initiatives include world-renowned educational posters, engaging school workshops and the annual Schools Geology Challenge. The Society also offers free curriculum-linked teaching resources, underscoring the belief that robust geoscience education is key to a sustainable future.

Learn More geolsoc.org.uk/education

Outreach and Public Engagement

The Society's outreach activities serve as a vital channel for communicating geoscience's societal and environmental relevance. Through carefully curated experiences, the Society reaches underserved audiences, offering engaging and educational interactions with the natural world. Recent initiatives include the 'Spacescapes' exhibition and participation in festivals and fairs, where geological samples are brought out from 'behind the museum glass' for public interaction. The Society's outreach efforts aim to deepen public understanding of geoscience's role in society and promote responsible Earth stewardship.

Learn More geolsoc.org.uk/outreach



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Contact Us

If you would like to contact the Society please use our online enquiries form at **[geolsoc.org.uk/contact](https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/contact)** which will direct your enquiry to the relevant department. Alternatively you can call us on **+44 (0)20 7434 9944** between 9.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday.

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Stay Informed with the Society

For the most current updates in geoscience, explore the Society's member magazine, *Geoscientist* and subscribe to our e-newsletters. Additionally, the Society maintains a presence on various social media platforms, including Facebook, X, LinkedIn, Instagram and YouTube.

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