

Steps for setting up a GA Branch

- Firstly, organise a programme of events which will interest your members and local geography community.
- Join the GA – a GA Branch requires a minimum of four individuals who are all members of the GA. The four members can have their own personal GA memberships (excludes entry level members) or can be covered by one or more GA group memberships (e.g. all four members can come from one organisation).
- Select local officers (e.g. chair, secretary and treasurer) a minimum two of whom need to be members of the GA) and form a committee. Branch committees have the power to make Branch regulations appropriate to their needs (e.g. set up Branch subscriptions or a Branch bank account) as well as lead in the organisation of Branch activities.
- A Branch is a separate legal entity and Branches are entirely responsible for their own financial arrangements. You are not part of the national GA so you don't need to send us any financial details.
- Once up and running the Branch can formalise its relationship with the national GA by completing the GA Branch Affiliation application form (e-mail info@geography.org.uk). Upon receipt the GA's Governing Body will approve the affiliation application (NB. The Governing Body usually meets three times a year in early March, June and November).