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How I got here

After taking my A Levels, including geography of course, I studied for a BSc in geographical science at Portsmouth University. I was introduced to technical mapping as part of my degree and was interested from the start in the applications of mapping and satellite imagery.

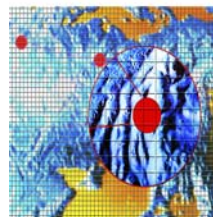
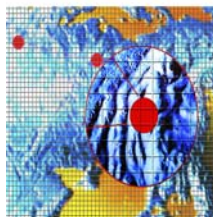
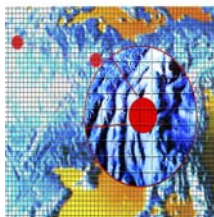
After graduating I wrote lots of letters and was pleased to secure a job in research at the Ordnance Survey (The OS) working on a geospatial data project. The OS was an obvious choice being such a large company with international links. After a series of promotions I secured the position of deputy director for the Association for Geographical Information (The AGI). In this role I managed a team who worked across the public and private sectors promoting GIS through publicity, communications and events. I have recently returned to work at the OS in a management role.

What my job entails

I work in public affairs. I am the international relationships manager for the Ordnance Survey. I work at the OS headquarters in Southampton. In this role I manage the company's relationship with all the national mapping agencies across the globe.

How are geographical skills useful?

Geographers are rounded characters. There is such a broad range of skills in a geographical education. We use statistics, how to lay things out, report writing, scientific analysis and general awareness of what is going on in the world. It is this broad perspective- the local, national and international and the skills to bring diverse information together which makes geographers so useful.



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