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The Geography Teachers' Association of New South Wales (GTA) is a not-for-profit, incorporated body that represents the professional interests of Geography teachers in NSW and Geographical Education more generally. The objectives of the Association are to promote the study and teaching of geography in schools by:

- providing professional learning opportunities for teachers of Geography;
- advocating the interests of Geography teachers on matters in the State and National interest;
- providing forums where teachers of Geography and the wider community can exchange views;
- supporting Geographical Education through the development and dissemination of geographical resources; and
- promoting geographical research and fieldwork.

The GTA seeks to address its objectives via a yearly program of activities and events, which include:

- online publication of the quarterly Geography Bulletin a quality, peer-reviewed journal designed to serve the contemporary interests of Geography teachers and students.
- delivering Teacher Professional Learning Workshops and in metropolitan and regional locations, focussing on current issues, including in Global Education, the use of technology in the classroom, research and fieldwork skills.
- conducting an Annual Conference with keynote addresses from leading geographers on contemporary and emerging geographical issues as well as more practical sessions by geographical practitioners.
- hosting School Certificate and Higher School Certificate Reviews for teachers of Geography. These reviews are held in a number of regional areas across the state.
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- encourage teachers to share their ideas on teaching geography
- provide a means by which teachers can publish articles
- inform readers of developments in geographical education

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