



CORE ACTIVITIES OF UGA

- Discovering nature initiative. There are so many sites in Uganda that are not in text books, they are not known and yet can have great potential to enhance the development of the Country. UGA is to explore these sites, map and advertize them for tourism and nature related activities.
- Organizing public lectures and debates on pertinent issues affecting humanity such as climate change, landslides, floods, soil erosion and sedimentation, land degradation, regional development, ecosystems management, urbanization and settlements, transport patterns and challenges, weather forecasting, population growth and development, ecosystems management, urbanization and settlements, transport patterns and challenges, weather forecasting, population growth and development, geology and soils, water scarcity, food security among others.
- UGA also conducts basic and applied research on such issues and make both peer-reviewed articles/books and grey publications such as newsletters. The association also organizes seminars, workshops and conferences in different parts of the country.

- Organizing fieldwork activities and outreach programs focusing on understanding the trends of growth and development of different areas in Uganda, and the rest of East Africa for the benefit of the East African Community and beyond.
- Periodic retooling/ training courses for Geography Teachers as well as other Public Servants.



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MOTTO

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VISION

"To develop professional geographers that can meet the present and future challenges"

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- i. To advance and promote the teaching, learning, and application of geographical knowledge and skills at all levels of the education system in Uganda.
- ii. To promote and coordinate advanced research in geographical sciences and related environmental disciplines.
- iii. To actively engage in the dissemination of geographical information and skills through the organization of regular Conferences, Workshops and Seminars; as well as the publication of Reports, Journals and Scientific Reviews
- iv. To prioritize and promote Fieldwork studies in all parts of Uganda on pertinent issues affecting the country as the essential foundation of developing the discipline and the perception of geography.
- v. To pro-actively host relevant networks of national, regional and international geographical interest



MEMBERSHIP

Membership to UGA, is open to anyone with a Degree in Geography or any related discipline like Geology, Meteorology, Environment, Tourism, Forestry, Agriculture, Botany, Zoology, petroleum, Ecology, Economics, Statistics, Land use, Urban and Regional Planning among others. Membership of the Uganda Geographical Association is categorized thus;

- i. **Individual membership;**
This is open to any Professional Geographer in Uganda. Individual membership fees is 50,000/= and this is paid once when someone is joining UGA.
- ii. **Institutional Membership;**
This is open to all Schools, Colleges, Universities, Libraries, Public or Business Institutions. The institutions that have subscribed to UGA are eligible to get involved in activities such as hosting and organizing UGA conferences, seminars, workshops, publications, research etc. For any institution to become a member of UGA, it has to pay membership fees of 200,000/= and get registered with the secretariat. Membership fees are also paid once.
- iii. **External Membership**
This is open to geographers and institutions whose addresses are outside Uganda, either by invitation or through expressed interest and application for membership. The external membership fees are 200 US dollars.
- iv. **Honorary Membership**
These are distinguished persons in the community, whose nomination by the Executive Committee is approved by the Annual Conference of the UGA. At least two honorary members shall be nominated



the patron of the Association.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- Acknowledgement of a status of a geographer and related disciplines.
- Recognition by the International Geography Union (IGU) to which UGA is affiliated.
- Opportunities for networking with members of the association in Uganda and the rest of the world
- Being able to publish papers and articles in the association's journal
- Being able to carry out fieldwork and outreach programs with other association members
- Be able to carry out basic and applied research with other senior researchers in the association
- Participating in seminars, workshops and conferences in Uganda and abroad.

