

SENIOR CONFERENCES

SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICAN GEOGRAPHERS (1995 – 2026)			
Year	Conference host	Conference dates	Conference theme
2026	University of Mpumalanga	14-16 September	Geography and geographers in a changing environment: Emerging trends and challenges
2024	North-West University (Potchefstroom)	15-18 September	30 years of change and beyond: Geography, democracy, development, and future pathways
2022	University of Pretoria	12-14 September	
2021	Rhodes University (Online)	6-8 September	Collaboration within a new paradigm
2018	University of the Free State (Bloemfontein and QwaQwa)	1-5 October	Geography and community: Research, learning, impact
2016	Stellenbosch University	25-28 September	#celebratecenturyofgeography
2014	University of Fort Hare (East London campus)	22-24 June	Geographical reflections
2012	University of Cape Town	21-22 June	Building critical conversations in geography
2009	University of South Africa	1-3 September	Geography for a better world
2007	Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University	8-11 July	Environment and society: Changes, impacts and reactions
2005	University of the Western Cape	7-9 September	
2003	University of the Free State	21-23 September	Geography as an applied spatial science for sustainable development
2001	University of Stellenbosch	2-5 July	Southern Africa 2001: A space odyssey. Geographical perspectives on habitat and resources
1999	University of Namibia	5-9 July	Focus Africa: Networking transformation on the millennium continent
1997	University of Pretoria	29 June-3 July	Environment and development in Africa: An agenda and solutions for the 21 st century
1995	University of Durban-Westville	10-14 July	Geography in a changing society: Critical choices for change in Southern Africa

SOUTH AFRICAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY and SOCIETY FOR THE TEACHING OF GEOGRAPHY / SOCIETY FOR GEOGRAPHY (1961 – 1993)				
Year	Conference host	Conference dates	Organising society	Conference theme
1993	University of Port Elizabeth	4-8 July	Society for Geography	
1991	Potchefstroom University for Christian Higher Education	8-11 July	South African Geographical Society	The geographer in a changing Southern Africa
1989	University of Pretoria	2-6 July	Society for Geography	
1987	Rhodes University	26 June-1 July	South African Geographical Society	
1985	University of Stellenbosch	1-6 July	Society for Geography	Spatial analysis in the 80s
1983	University of Natal (Pietermaritzburg)	27 June-1 July	South African Geographical Society	
1981	Rand Afrikaans University	2-4 July	Society for Geography	
1979	University of Cape Town	29 June-3 July	South African Geographical Society	
1978	University of South Africa	17-19 August	Society for Geography	
1976	University of the Orange Free State	21-24 June	South African Geographical Society	
1974	Rhodes University	24-27 July	Society for Geography	
1972	University of the Witwatersrand	28 June-1 July	South African Geographical Society	
1969	Potchefstroom University for Christian Higher Education	8-10 July	Society for the Teaching of Geography	
1967	University of Natal Durban	17-20 July	South African Geographical Society (Jubilee Conference)	
1964	Stellenbosch University	29 Sept–2 October	Society for the Teaching of Geography	
1961	University of South Africa	27-29 September	South African Geographical Society	Land use