



Research Award: Risk Management and Internal Audit (RMIA)

Deadline: 12 September 2012

Please note that all applications must be sent electronically.

IDRC's Research Awards are a unique opportunity for master's and doctoral-level students, as well as recent graduates, to enhance their research skills and gain a practical perspective on operational management issues. This one-year, paid in-house program of training and mentorship in risk management and internal audit will allow a research awardee to pursue his or her research/career goals within a dynamic team environment while working for one of the world's leaders in generating new knowledge to meet global challenges.

The Risk Management and Internal Audit team directs and coordinates a broad program of risk management, internal audit and advisory services. These services support IDRC's senior management and its Board of Governors in the discharge of their responsibilities by providing assurance and advice on the effectiveness and efficiency of the Centre's risk management, internal control, and governance processes.

RMIA encourages research proposals from applicants interested in a range of topics that may include:

- examining current risk, control or governance issues facing organizations in developing countries;
- studying how financial and administrative processes can best support the capacity of institutions to fund and manage research; and
- identifying competencies, key success factors or performance indicators most critical to research institutions.

In addition to their research project, the RMIA research awardee will be involved in a range of activities to contribute to the ongoing programme of risk management and internal audit engagements of the unit. RMIA works strategically across all areas of the Centre to help management and the IDRC Board of Governors find innovative ways to manage risk; enhance management controls; and provide effective oversight of its operations and programs.

Applicants should have a professional interest in public or business administration in a developing country context. Some experience in project or research management would be helpful. Applicants must be flexible and willing to work on a broad variety of topics and projects.