



CCRIF Regional Internship Programme



The Regional Internship Programme is designed to provide opportunities for students who have specialized in the areas of disaster risk management, environmental management, actuarial science, geography, climate studies and other similar areas to be assigned to regional organizations where their educational experience can be enhanced through practical work assignments.

In this initiative, CCRIF is partnering with the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB), Caribbean Disaster and Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA), Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC), Caribbean Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH) and the University of the West Indies (UWI) among others. The programme will benefit both the participating organizations and the interns.

For Interns – Young Caribbean Professionals and Students

The Regional Internship Programme will:

- Promote academic, career and personal development
- Provide experiential learning thereby ensuring that interns gain vital skills and experience that they will be able to use throughout their professional career
- Expose interns to the work being undertaken in the region in the areas of disaster risk management, climate change and risk transfer

For Host Organizations

The Regional Internship Programme will:

- Provide temporary employees with special and new/cutting-edge skills and knowledge
- Assist with the organizations' work towards achieving its targets.

THE CCRIF TA PROGRAMME

The Regional Internship Programme is part of CCRIF's Technical Assistance (TA) Programme.

Started in 2009, the TA Programme provides an ongoing mechanism for support within the Caribbean region for capacity building initiatives and the development and implementation of projects to improve the effectiveness of disaster risk management. The Programme aims to help Caribbean countries deepen their understanding of natural hazards and catastrophe risk, and the potential impacts of climate change on the region.

The Programme consists of three components:

- Scholarship/professional development programme
- Regional knowledge building
- Support for local disaster risk reduction initiatives

Within the TA Programme, CCRIF supports the region in disaster management efforts through partnerships with regional organizations, implementing capacity building initiatives, education, research and development and knowledge sharing.



Requirements of the CCRIF Regional Internship Programme

Eligibility

Interns must be citizens of CARICOM and/or CCRIF member countries and must be graduates of a recognized university and have completed a course of study in any one of the following key areas of study: disaster risk management; environmental management, meteorology; climate studies, civil engineering, management studies with a focus on risk management, environmental economics, geography, geology, civil engineering and actuarial science.

- Candidates applying must have completed their first degree by the closing date of applications. They may be enrolled in a higher degree programme at that time.
- Preference will be given to candidates who are recipients of either a CCRIF-UWI Scholarship or a CCRIF Scholarship.
- Applicants must be available for a minimum of two months.
- The internship programme will normally be on a full-time basis. Interns will be expected to work five full days a week in the host organization, under the supervision of an experienced staff member.

Submission Guidelines

Candidates are required to submit their applications electronically using the CCRIF website and specifically through the CCRIF Internship Programme online platform (see below). The guidelines and instructions are located on this online platform.

Deadlines for Applications

A call for applications for the CCRIF Regional Internship Programme will be issued each year – announcing the application period. Also, this information will be available on the CCRIF Internship Programme online platform.

For guidelines and application information, visit the Internship Programme online platform at:

www.ccrif.org/content/regional-internship-programme

For additional information or for clarification, please email pr@ccrif.org