

A Day in the Life of a Risk Review Group Analyst

Here's what you can expect in our full-time Rotational Analyst Program.

We asked Analysts who've been through this career-path program to answer the most frequently asked questions about this position. A.J., in Cleveland, Ohio, shared some experiences as a Risk Review Analyst.

Q. What is your typical day like in this Program?

A typical day starts around 8:00 a.m. and ends around 5:00 p.m. Some teams are more flexible, but most likely you won't work more than 40 hours a week. No day is ever really the same, and you could be doing a variety of things depending on the team you are on. Most activities include conducting and sitting in walk-through meetings to discuss current processes with the lines of business, writing and editing work papers, and performing other audit functions. The pace of work is steady but not overwhelming, and there is a good balance of working alone at your desk as well as meeting and working with your team. You are also given exposure to the senior leaders within Risk Review and various levels of LOB Management.

Q. What areas can Analysts rotate through in this program? And how many rotations do you go through?

RRG has 14 teams (Asset Management, Capital Markets, Compliance, Credit, Data Analytics, Enterprise Projects, Enterprise Risk Management (ERM), Finance, Models, Operations, Professional Practices, SOX, Technology, and Treasury) that you could rotate through.

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Q. What is the typical career path for someone who starts as an Analyst in this program?

Upon completing your rotations, the first step is to be promoted to an Auditor, which typically requires 0-2 years of professional experience. The next step on the ladder is a Senior Auditor (2+ years' experience), Senior Lead Auditor (4+ years), Senior Audit Strategist (7+ years), Audit Manager (9+ years), and Senior Audit Manager (10+ years). All of these promotions are performance-based, and this schedule is not set in stone; however, starting in the Analyst Program is a great way to work your way up quickly.

Q. What would you say are the most important traits an Analyst needs to be most successful in this program?

There are three traits that are a definite advantage for an Analyst to have:

- **Confidence** – Be able to present yourself in a confident and professional manner. It is the first thing someone will notice about you, so don't be afraid to be yourself.
- **Communication** – Constant communication is vital to your success in the program. Starting from the day you enter training, to discussing with your manager which rotations you want to participate in and ultimately, which one you enjoyed enough to be placed full time, it is very important to keep a constant dialogue with those around you.
- **Willingness to learn** – This is the most important trait to being successful in the program. You are here to learn, so never pass up on the opportunity to do so.

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Q. What is your favorite part of being an Analyst in this program?

The opportunity to try out a bunch of different things that I find interesting. Along with that comes the opportunity to meet numerous people across the entire department and have exposure with various lines of business across the bank. You will see the work you are doing have a direct impact on the bank and you are rewarded for your hard work.

Q: What do I need to know before applying for the program?

Preferred Majors: Accounting, Finance, Economics, Management Information Systems

Minimum GPA: 3.5 or above preferred

Certifications: As an analyst, you are not required to obtain a particular certification. However, as you move through your career, it can be very beneficial to obtain a certification and will help if you are looking to be promoted. Common certifications within Risk Review include CPA,[®] CIA, and CISA.

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