**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The PhD concentration in Risk Management and Insurance (RMI) encourages students to develop and utilize research methodologies emphasizing finance and economics. Our research focus has benefited our students in the job market, leading to research appointments at universities such as California State University, University of Florida, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse, National Taiwan University, Fudan University, and the Korean Institute of Finance.

The department is composed of 18 full-time faculty members whose research interests explore a variety of risk management topics. These include productivity and efficiency of insurance firms, insurance regulation, behavioral insurance, enterprise risk management, and longevity risk management and actuarial modeling. Our department conducts leading research on systemic risk and the interrelationships among financial services firms. Faculty research is published in many leading journals such as the Journal of Risk and Insurance, Insurance: Mathematics and Economics, and the North American Actuarial Journal.

**RESEARCH**

Students have access to the Wharton Research Data Services (WRDS) database containing extensive economic and financial data. In addition, the Risk Management and Insurance program maintains extensive databases relating to risk management and insurance research. Among the available datasets are twenty years of National Association of Insurance Commissioners annual statement data on U.S. life and property-casualty insurance companies; international financial statement data on insurance companies; worldwide data on operational risk events; and data on credit default swap prices of banks and insurance companies. Funding is available for other databases as needed.

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**FINANCIAL AID**

All students admitted to our program are granted full financial support for up to five years. Funding typically comes in the form of a research assistantship and includes full tuition and a competitive stipend, based on adequate progress and yearly evaluations. Students who apply before the admissions deadline are also considered for Temple University’s prestigious university fellowships.

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