

Just the Job Information Sheet

Job title

Investigator at Inland Revenue

Job description

Everyone at Inland Revenue makes an important contribution to the social and economic wellbeing of New Zealanders through the work they do each day. That's because Inland Revenue collects over 80% of the money our Government uses to pay for the things that make New Zealand a great place to live, like hospitals and schools.

Most Kiwis pay the right amount of tax, but there are a few who don't.

As an Investigator, you'll use your business, accounting and legal knowledge, enquiring mind, eye for detail and solid communication skills to determine whether or not specific customers have paid their fair share of tax.

Then you'll take appropriate steps (anything from education to helping get legal action under way) to help get them back on track.

Qualifications required

To launch your career as a level one Investigator, you need to:

- hold (or be studying toward) a relevant university degree (NZQA Level 7) or
- demonstrate relevant practical experience in investigative work.

Getting a university degree in accounting or law is the best pathway to succeed as an Investigator at Inland Revenue.

Inland Revenue is one of New Zealand's most trusted organisations. You must successfully complete a tax check and criminal record check before you can become part of the team.

Training costs

Inland Revenue has a structured training programme in place to help Investigators develop the skills and knowledge they need to be effective at work.

If you're an accountancy graduate who wants to become a Chartered Accountant, we're an approved training organisation of the NZ Institute of Chartered Accountants.

Inland Revenue is committed to supporting its people to develop the skills they need to succeed. Each person is supported to set and achieve relevant development goals.

Career path

There are many different paths you can take to build a rewarding career at Inland Revenue. Getting a start in one of five contact centres across the country while you study is a great way to build solid tax technical and business knowledge. This experience could help you move on to other roles at Inland Revenue, including Investigator.

There are four levels of Investigator at Inland Revenue. Investigators at higher levels deal with more complex work. For example, work involving increasingly limited case law or increasingly complex business structures, transactions or accounting systems. Investigators can progress through these four levels by developing and demonstrating the skills and knowledge required.

People with the right skills and attributes:

- who enjoy the technical aspects of investigations work can work towards becoming a Senior Investigator
- who are passionate about leading people to achieve shared goals can work towards becoming an Investigation Team Leader.

The skills and expertise you gain in Investigations could open the door to a range of opportunities across Inland Revenue.

How to increase the chances of successfully entering this industry

Different roles with Inland Revenue have different entry requirements.

Take a look at the range of careers at Inland Revenue if you:

- have a can-do attitude and are keen to keep learning and growing
- have great decision-making skills
- have good communication skills and a commitment to working collaboratively
- demonstrate integrity and professionalism in what you say and do
- are keen to make a difference through the work you do each day.

Other places to source information about this job

Visit [Inland Revenue's career website](#) to learn more about:

- the range of career opportunities available
- their commitment to developing their people
- the range of benefits available to their team.

www.ird.govt.nz/careers