



Graduate Programs in Real Estate

The National University of Singapore

A leading global university centred in Asia, the National University of Singapore (NUS) offers a global approach to education and research, with a focus on Asian perspectives and expertise. Its transformative education includes a broad-based curriculum underscored by multi-disciplinary courses and cross-faculty enrichment, as well as special programmes which allow students to realise

their potential. Over 30,000 students from 100 countries further enrich the community with their diverse social and cultural perspectives, making campus life vibrant and exciting. In addition, NUS was ranked amongst the World's Top 30 and Top 4 universities in Asia in the QS World University Rankings 2009 conducted by the Times Higher Education Supplement.



Department of Real Estate, NUS

The Department of Real Estate (DRE), in the School of Design and Environment (SDE), is recognized internationally as one of the strongest research groups in Asia in the real estate academic field. The faculty members' research areas include real estate finance and investment, urban and housing economics, urban planning and urban studies. Their work has been published widely in internationally refereed economics, finance, and real estate journals.

In 2007, NUS established the Institute of Real Estate Studies (IRES) as a university-level institute for multidisciplinary research. IRES collaborate with

international scholars and industry practitioners to be a leading research hub in Pan-Asian real estate issues as well as real estate financial innovations and risk management. DRE and IRES are members of the Finance Cluster at NUS, which also includes the Risk Management Institute, NUS Business School, Department of Economics, Department of Mathematics, and Department of Computer Science. The cluster fosters collaborative effort to advance research in finance related areas, supporting Singapore's position as a key regional center for global financial services and wealth management.



The Graduate Research Program in Real Estate

As the largest asset class and a critical resource in today's urbanized world, real estate affects our economy and society in many fundamental ways. Research in this field brings together the disciplines of economics and finance to advance our knowledge of real estate markets and urban economies. Our program offers students rigorous training in the disciplines of economics and finance and a wealth of knowledge regarding real estate markets and urban policies. We offer excellent resources for motivated students from different disciplines to excel academically and to pursue a rewarding career in academia, private sector and public institutions.

The program is hosted at the Department of Real Estate (DRE) in collaboration with IRES and the NUS Finance Cluster. Students will be taking cross-faculty modules in economics and finance in addition to real estate subjects. Students are expected to complete required coursework and pass a written qualifying exam in two years to qualify as a PhD candidate. NUS offer scholarships to outstanding applicants to the graduate research program. DRE also offers financial support through research assistantship. Although applicants for a Master's degree will be considered, PhD applicants will be given priority for financial support. Outstanding undergraduates can apply directly to the PhD program.

The application requires the following documents:

- TOEFL or IELTS score (for applicants whose medium of undergraduate instruction is not English)
- GRE or GMAT score
- A short essay to describe the applicant's objectives for taking the graduate research program and his/her research interests

Application deadlines are:

- For August enrolment, application deadline is Nov 15 (online application) and Dec 31 (by post) for each year.
- For January enrolment, application deadline is May 15 (both online application or by post) for each year

Online application is preferred. Please visit website http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/edu/gd-applnres.html or http://www.rst.nus.edu.sg/programme/graduate/index.htm

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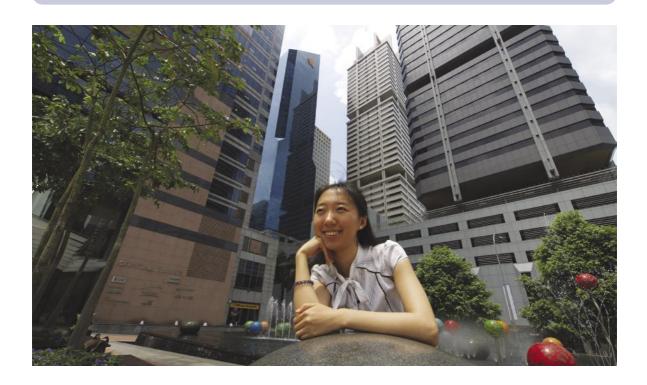


Master of Science (Real Estate)

This taught graduate course in real estate is hosted at the Department of Real Estate, in the School of Design and Environment (SDE). This high quality program offers professionals currently involved in the real estate development industry with a sound understanding of a broad range of contemporary real estate issues. Focusing on development and wealth creation, the new curriculum is designed to develop analytical and methodological skills that are critical for management, decision-making and problem-solving roles.

We spare no effort in ensuring the highest standards in areas such as:

- Quality teaching: Problem-based learning, case studies, applied projects, industry guest speakers and seminars – these are but only some of the ways we adopt to ensure effective learning.
- State of the art knowledge and tools: Even as they ensure academic rigour, our staff keep up with the latest trends through active involvement in cutting edge research in their areas of specialization.
- **Networking:** We offer a whole lot of opportunities for interaction and exchange of ideas among students, staff and practitioners.
- International perspective: With our strong team of international faculty as well as our good mix of local and overseas students, we create a cross-cultural environment where issues and problems are tackled from different viewpoints.
- **Programme flexibility:** The mix of core courses and elective modules ensures high academic standards while catering to individual interests.



The programme, which attracts a good mix of both local and international practitioners of various disciplines such as architects, engineers, builders, developers, property consultants, managers, marketers and financiers, is multi-disciplinary and has an international emphasis.

It has a special feature in which teaching is conducted inside and outside the classroom. An international field trip is arranged annually to bring students to visit and study interesting real estate projects and investments in different countries and cities. Past visits include Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong, Macau, Ho Chi Minh City and Iskandar Development Project in Johor, Malaysia.



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The admission requirements for the MSc (Real Estate) course are

- At least a bachelor's degree with honours in a relevant discipline.
- Candidates should have at least two years of relevant practical experience after their first degrees.

The course curriculum provides an up-to-date programme that is grounded in academic rigor and relevant in its coverage of the industry's needs. The program is designed to provide a strong foundation in strategic decisions within the real estate development process. The structure also allows sufficient flexibility for candidates to develop their interest in other specialized areas.

A full-day session, lasting one week, will be held at the beginning of Semester One of Year One. This is followed by evening classes, typically two to three times per week. Some elective courses may be offered on full-day sessions. The full-time program is integrated with the part-time program.

Candidates are required to complete a 40-Modular Credit programme comprising

- 6 essential modules of 4 MCs each;
- 1 Dissertation or International Field Study of 8 MCs each and
- 2 cross programme/faculty unrestricted elective modules of 4 MCs each within a maximum period of four semesters for full-time candidates, and six semesters for part-time candidates.
 On average, the course requirements can be completed in one year on a full-time basis, or in one and a half years on a part-time basis.

Please visit website http://www.rst.nus.edu.sg/programme/mre/

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As a world-class department, many of the faculty members are internationally recognized scholars in their field as reflected by the numerous international academic awards and publications. To view our faculty profile, please visit the website https://www.rst.nus.edu.sg

We have a distinguished list of alumni from both our post-graduate degree programs. Many of them have secured top positions in the real estate industry. Others have taken up positions in universities around the world or entered the public sector.



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