

Course Outline

Course Code : RE3703
Course Title : Advanced Real Estate Economics
Semester : Semester 1, Academic Year 2024/2025
Time & Venue : Thursday 8:30-11:30, BIZ2-0511
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Overview

This course covers three major components related to real estate economics from both theoretical and practical perspectives. First, it introduces the broad linkages between real estate markets and the macroeconomy, and the relevant theoretical frameworks for analysing the demand, supply, and market equilibrium of properties in different real estate sectors. Second, it discusses the availability and interpretations of real estate market data in practice. Third, it touches upon popular modelling techniques to evaluate real estate market conditions using statistical software.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students will be able to understand the intricate linkages between real estate markets and the macroeconomy, applying relevant theoretical frameworks to analyze across various real estate sectors. Students are expected to understand practical implications of real estate market data and employ theoretical analysis to make informed decisions. Furthermore, students will gain hands-on experience to apply and critically assess advanced real estate models for evaluating real estate market conditions. This holistic approach will equip students with both the theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to excel in the field of real estate economics.

Course Prerequisite(s)

RE2705 Urban Economics

Course Preclusion(s)

Nil

General Guide & Reading

Reference list will be provided at the end of each lecture.

Tentative Schedule & Outline

| Week | Date | Topic | Activity |
|------|--------|--|---|
| 1 | 15 Aug | Introduction: World Urbanization and Real Estate Markets | Group Project (CA Assignments 1 & 2) Announcement |
| 2 | 22 Aug | Real estate market and economy | |
| 3 | 29 Aug | Real estate system, and the four-quadrant model | Submission of Group Members List |

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| 4 | 5 Sep | The theories interpreting real estate cycles | |
| 5 | 12 Sep | Housing market and housing price indexes | |
| 6 | 19 Sep | Theories and housing bubbles | |
| | 21 – 29 Sep | RECESS WEEK | |
| 7 | 3 Oct | EXAMINATION (MID-TERM QUIZ) | |
| 8 | 10 Oct | CA Assignment 1 Consultation & Discussion | CA Assignment 1 (preliminary report) due on 7 Oct |
| 9 | 17 Oct | Real Estate and Urban Housing I: Economics of Density | |
| 10 | 24 Oct | Real Estate and Urban Housing II: Market for Housing Units | |
| 11 | 31 Oct | No class on Deepavali | |
| 12 | 7 Nov | Real Estate and Urban Housing III: Hedonic Pricing Model | CA Assignment 2 (group project report & individual reflection) due on 4 Nov |
| 13 | 14 Nov | Group presentations | Peer Evaluation (optional), due |
| | 16 – 22 Nov | READING WEEK | |
| | 23 Nov – 7 Dec | EXAMINATION (2 WEEKS) | |

The syllabus is subject to change

Assessment

| Assessment Components | Weightage (%) |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| CA Assignment 1 Group | 10 |
| Mid-Term Quiz | 15* |
| CA Assignment 2 Group | 35 |
| Individual | 10* |
| Attendance & Participation | 20* |
| Forum Discussion | 10* |
| | 100 |

Asterisk indicates individual marks

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- <http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/adminpolicy/acceptance.html#NUSCodeofStudentConduct>

Online Course on Plagiarism:

- <http://emodule.nus.edu.sg/ac/>

About me

Assoc Prof Fan Yi

Dr. Fan Yi is an assistant professor in the Department of Real Estate at NUS Business School. Her research interests lie in urban economics and real estate economics, focusing on topics related to social and environmental sustainability. Her work has been published at leading journals, such as *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *Journal of Urban Economics*, *Review of Finance*, *Applied Energy*, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, *Journal of Regional Science*, *China Economic Review*, *Journal of Environmental Planning and Management*. Dr. Fan has been awarded NUS Business School Teaching Excellence Award 2021.

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