20 teams of Year 3 real estate students presented their findings and recommendations on 20 different topics on town council management last Thursday. This is part of a project done by students reading the module Residential Property Management. A panel of 3 judges from the senior management of township management company – EM Services Pte Ltd were present and evaluated all 20 teams. Out of which, 3 teams emerged as winners and received cash prizes kindly sponsored by EM Services Pte Ltd. CEO of EM Services, Mr Tony Khoo, who is also one of the panel judges presented the cash prizes to the winning teams.

“This year’s topics are much more interesting and I am happy to see so many teams presenting their excellent work.” said Mr Tony Khoo in his closing speech. Associate Professor Yu Shi Ming, who teaches the module has also commented that he is impressed by the quality of work presented by the teams. Students have found the module very useful as they have learned so much about town council management and the important roles that a managing agent play.
Our team of real estate undergraduates was awarded 3rd place at the annual USC International Real Estate Competition 2017 last Saturday. Many were impressed by the excellent work put up by the NUS Real Estate team. Congratulations to the team – Tian Feng, Wei Jie, Irene, Zhong Yi, Brandon and Samson, you did us proud!
Date: 5 April 2017

Congratulations Marcus Lee 李俊纬, our final year NUS Real Estate undergraduate on winning the Singapore leg! We are so proud of you and all the best to you in the next round of competition in China!


Source: Straits Times
Our annual Open Day was held at University Town on Saturday, 11 March 2017. Students dropped by and experienced our campus vibrancy, and chat with professors and students about the exciting world of NUS Real Estate.

Date: 28 Feb 2017

Congratulations to the following faculty members who have received the School Teaching Excellence Award for AY 2015/2016: They are Dr Lee Kwan Ok, Dr Masaki Mori, Dr Seah Kiat Ying & Dr Grace Wong.

Congratulations to Dr Grace Wong who has been awarded the NUS Annual Teaching Excellence Award (ATEA) for AY 2015-2016. The award is given by the University to recognize faculty members who have demonstrated a high level of commitment to, and achievement of, good teaching.
Dr Malone-Lee Lai Choo is appointed by the Agri-Food & Veterinary Authority of Singapore (AVA) as a member of the farming industry consultation panel for one year starting from 16 January 2017.

Congratulations! Professor Heng Chye Kiang, Lum Chang Professor in SDE, receives a MND Medallion for Distinguished Service from Minister Lawrence Wong in recognition and appreciation of his valuable contributions as Board Member of Building and Construction Authority.

Congratulations! Assoc. Prof Yu Shi Ming receives a MND Medallion for Distinguished Service from Minister Lawrence Wong in recognition and appreciation of his valuable contributions as Chairman of Examination and Professional Development Committee and Member of the Council for Estate Agencies.

Congratulations to Associate Professor Joseph Ooi who has been promoted to Full Professor in recognition of his significant contributions in education, research and service in the field of real estate and beyond.
A visit by a group of students and two professors from Faculty of Geoinformation and Real Estate, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia to the Department of Real Estate, NUS.
World Cities Summit 2016

The World Cities Summit 2016 in July was held at Marina Bay Sands Singapore. This was jointly organized by Singapore’s Centre for Liveable Cities and the Urban Redevelopment Authority.

At the summit, distinguished city leaders discuss important issues regarding urbanization. The city mayors and planners shared strategies they have adopted and the challenges they face while planning a sustainable city.

As one of the liaison officers of the event, we hold a key role in assisting the foreign guests during their 5 days’ stay in Singapore. We have to attend to their queries and plan their accommodation and transportation in Singapore. We also helped to bridge the network between different city leaders and coordinate meetings for them with potential partners. During our free time, we had the precious opportunity to sit in and listen to the discussions. By listening, we learnt the most. This year’s summit aligns focus on urban and social innovation and public private partnership to build resilient cities.

I am very appreciative of the opportunity provided by the Department of Real Estate to be part of the World Cities Summit 2016 and it was definitely one of the highlights from my summer break 2016.
The network of friends that I had managed to build is priceless and I am immensely grateful for that. It is very important for young leaders like us to be involved in such discussions in order to understand the concerns of many world leaders. This makes me more interested in building a more resilient city in the future. I am excited as many cities continue to grow and overcome the challenges they face.

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