

## NUS Real Estate Information Session and High-tea Reception 2019

Every year, we look forward to our annual **NUS Real Estate Information Session and High-tea Reception** held at Shaw Foundation Alumni House, NUS on a Saturday afternoon (11 May 2019). We were excited to meet around 270 prospective students and parents who attended the tea session.



The session was kicked off by Head of Department, Associate Professor Yu Shi Ming, who welcomed the prospective students and family members. Followed by a presentation by Dr. Seah Kiat Ying Sky, Deputy Head (Academic), who spoke about the exciting and important world of Real Estate.

Once again this year, we are very honoured to have lined up a panel of 6 distinguished alumni for the Real Estate Information Session. The panelists include:

- Dr Chua Yang Liang, Head of Research and Strategy, ARA Private Funds, ARA Asset Management;
- Ms Cindy Chow Pei Pei, CEO of Mapletree North Asia Commercial Trust Management Ltd;
- Ms Kemmy Tan, CEO of M+S Pte Ltd;
- Mr Melvin Poh, Founder and Managing Director, Fission Group;
- Ms Tan Chew Ling, Group Director of Estate Administration & Property Group, HDB;
- Mr Terence Tang, Managing Director, Capital Markets & Investment Services, Asia, Colliers International

During the alumni dialogue session moderated by A/Prof Yu, our panel of distinguished alumni shared candidly on how they came to decide on their university course, despite some challenges in the past, “There was no Google in the past, I had to research and find out the hard way” as Mr Terence Tang pointed out. However, they were glad that the choice worked out well for them.



Mr Melvin Poh, Class of 1997

Many of the alumni came from different background, such as Science or Humanities, but none of them regretted their choices. Mr Melvin Poh shared “I got into the real estate course by accident. But I learnt some very useful modules in real estate finance, real estate management, public land policies, valuation, real estate land law, property law and real estate marketing. And I could apply what I’ve learnt in the real world. Although real estate may not have been my first choice of course then, looking back now, I will still choose it.”

Many of the prospective students and parents were also impressed by the plethora of career opportunities available for our real estate graduates both locally and overseas. “Real estate is very multi-disciplinary. You must be nimble, acquire the skillsets, with a global mindset”, added Ms Kemmy Tan.



Distinguished alumni panelists (from left): Mr Melvin Poh, Ms Cindy Chow Pei Pei, Ms Tan Chew Ling, A/Prof Yu Shi Ming, Ms Kemmy Tan, Mr Terence Tang, Dr Chua Yang Liang

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