

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE

Florida International University's Master of Science in International Real Estate (MSIRE) program is designed for the real estate professional who seeks the skills needed to be successful in today's domestic and international real estate markets. The program's Downtown Miami location combined with the real estate expertise of our nationally and internationally recognized professors makes this one-of-a-kind program a worthy investment in your business future.

Highlights

The MSIRE program is the only program that combines a mastery of real estate fundamentals with a true international focus. This 10-month program focuses on the assessment of the financial, legal, project development, risk and marketing aspects of real estate that link domestic and international real estate transactions.

Faculty

MSIRE courses are taught by nationally and internationally recognized FIU faculty specializing in real estate and finance. Faculty members are highly published in the top journals in the field, work with industry leaders, and present cutting edge research throughout the world.

Unique Features

Upon completing this program, graduates will have a detailed understanding of

- Domestic and international real estate transactions
- Real estate markets and analytical techniques
- Real estate investment analysis, valuation, and performance measurements
- Real estate debt and equity markets and financing techniques
- Real estate law and accounting
- Real estate development

MSIRE and the Certified Commercial Investment Member (CCIM) Institute

The CCIM Institute of Chicago has approved FIU's MSIRE Program as a University Partner and part of the CCIM/University Fast Track Program. Under this agreement, CCIM will give CCIM candidates who attend and graduate from FIU's MSIRE program credit for 3 of the 4 required CCIM courses. MSIRE graduates would then only need to take the remaining one class, pass the CCIM comprehensive exam, and satisfy the organization's experience requirements to earn their CCIM designation. With the University Partner agreement MSIRE students wanting to ultimately earn a CCIM designation will save at least \$5,000 on the cost of earning the CCIM designation and will have access to CCIM programs and materials such as the CCIM "site to do business" which allows for substantial access to market databases. The CCIM designation is one of the most highly recognized professional designations in commercial brokerage.

For information on the CCIM/University Fast Track Program please visit:

http://www.ccim.com/education/ccim_education/Universities.html.

Program Format

The MSIRE program begins every Fall semester (August). Cohorts are structured into "blocks" or sessions, with each block consisting of two courses and lasting approximately eight weeks. Classes typically meet on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Downtown Brickell Center from 5:30 pm to 10:00pm. The schedule accommodates both working professionals and traditional full-time students.

Core Real Estate Courses

Real Estate Markets, Institutions and Practices
Real Estate Finance
Advanced Real Estate Investments and Valuation
Seminar in International Real Estate
Legal Environments of Real Estate

Elective Real Estate Courses

Regional Real Estate Development
Real Estate Market Analysis

Core Finance Courses

Corporate Finance
Financial Markets and Institutions
Global Financial Strategy

Application Deadlines

To begin in the Fall Term (August)

April 1 - Last day for international students to submit a graduate application.

June 1 - Last day for international students to submit all supporting academic credentials, appropriate test scores, and Declaration of Finances; last day for US applicants to submit a graduate application and supporting credentials

Application Procedures

To apply for admission to the MSIRE Program, applicants should submit the following to:

Florida International University
Chapman Graduate School of Business
Master of Science in International Real Estate
1101 Brickell Avenue, Suite S-300
Miami, FL 33131

1) Graduate Application for Admission, along with nonrefundable application fee of \$30.00 US dollars. Applications can be completed at <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/admissions.html>

2) Official transcripts from all previously attended colleges and/or universities demonstrating receipt of a Bachelor's degree. Transcripts must be sent directly to the Chapman Graduate School Admissions Department in an *official sealed university envelope*. Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or above is required. If official transcripts are not in English, a second copy of the transcript must be requested for translation by an official translation agency. Both the official translation as well as the requested official copy of the transcript must be submitted.

3) Official proof of degree: a notarized copy of the original diploma is required if the degree is not posted on the official transcripts or if applicant obtained degree from a foreign country. Proof of degree is also required to demonstrate receipt of a Masters-level degree.

4) Official GMAT (Minimum score is 500) or GRE score (Combined verbal & quantitative scores must equal a minimum of 1000). The official score *must be sent directly by Educational Testing Service (ETS)*. FIU's university code is: 5206

5) Resume

6) Statement of purpose
There is not a minimum or maximum word or page count. The document should outline your objectives in pursuing this graduate degree.

7) Recommendation letters (Optional)

8) Official TOEFL score. If applicant is an international student whose native language is not English, the applicant must have achieved a minimum score of 550 on the paper-based TOEFL exam, a score of 213 on the computer-based TOEFL exam, or an equivalent score on a comparable examination. An applicant having obtained an undergraduate degree in a foreign country must also demonstrate proficiency in English by taking the TOEFL exam. The official score must be sent directly by Educational Testing Service (ETS). FIU's university code is: 5206

9) Declaration of Finances form. This form can be downloaded from: http://gradschool.fiu.edu/downloads/Declaration_of_Finances.doc

10) Bank letter has to reflect \$47,800.00 or more in a *checking or savings account or combined*.

11) Sponsor letter (if applicable)

Items 8, 9, 10 and 11 apply only to international students.

Only those applicants who have submitted a complete application packet will be considered. *Please be aware that meeting only the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission to the program.*

Financial Aid

Scholarships and student loans are available. Contact the MSIRE office for more information.

Fees

Tuition for the MSIRE program for the 2011-2012 academic years is approximately \$25,000 for Florida-residents and approximately \$29,000 for non-Florida residents and international students. The fee

covers tuition, dinner and coffee breaks on class nights, graduation dinner, parking at the Downtown Center, university student fees and other program services.

Payment is due prior to the beginning of each semester.
All fees are subject to change.

Advisory Board

The Real Estate Advisory Board supports the real estate programs, including the MSIRE program, at Florida International University. The Advisory Board is made up of leaders from the national and South Florida real estate communities. Concurrently, the Jerome Bain Real Estate Institute supports the university's undergraduate and graduate real estate programs and links to industry. The Jerome Bain Real Estate Institute also sponsors the Jerome Bain Real Estate Scholarship.

Career Services

The Career Management Services staff offers high-quality, accessible, and well-coordinated services and provides information designed to help you achieve career success. Workshops cover topics such as writing resumes, preparing for and handling the job interview, developing job search strategies, and effective networking. In addition, the office provides self-assessment tools, individual advising, resume referral, and on-campus interviews for internships and permanent positions. Career Management Services works closely with employers to develop relationships that ensure you have access to many employment opportunities.

The MSIRE program works closely with FIU's Real Estate Student associations, Real Estate Alumni Affinity Council and local real estate companies to provide our students with networking and career enhancing opportunities. We encourage our students to take advantage of these opportunities to get the full benefit of this program.

More Information

For more information about the Master of Science in International Real Estate program, please contact our office.

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