THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Master of Science in Real Estate
(applicable to students admitted in 2023-24 and thereafter)

<u>CREDIT UNIT STATEMENT</u>

The Master of Science in Real Estate curriculum comprises prescribed and elective courses. All courses are 6-credits except Dissertation (RE) which is a 12-credit elective course. The norm for a 6-credits course is 150 student learning hours (including 24 contact hours normally and other student learning activities and efforts). The total student learning hour is about 1,800 hours. Courses are assessed by means of written examination and/or coursework. Coursework tasks includes writing of essays, reports, presentations, in-class tests, etc. Candidates have to complete the prescribed courses (54 credits) and elective courses (not fewer than 18 credits) to graduate. Total contact hours to complete the whole programme are around 270 to 300 depending on the choices of elective courses.

1. *Prescribed courses* (6 credits each)
   There are 9 prescribed courses that provide candidates with the theoretical and essential professional knowledge in real estate and land development.

   There are 8 taught or content-based courses that focus on delivering the essential concepts, theories, principles, and applications primarily by means of lectures, tutorials, and seminars (normally 24 contact hours in each course). The study load of each course is 150 hours. Assessment methods are decided by the individual teachers to tally with the intended learning outcomes of the courses, ranging from 0% to 100% coursework and 0% to 100% examination. Assessment tasks may include the writing of essays, reports, in-class quizzes, presentation, teamwork performance, and examination. Written output from each course is 3,500-6,000 words.

   Project workshop (RE) is the prescribed capstone course which is a project-based course. It requires candidates to apply the theories and knowledge acquired in solving authentic problems or cases. It provides the opportunity for the candidates to show their achievements in learning outcomes and their individual competences. The study load is 150 hours including 24 contact hours. Assessment is 100% coursework including interim and final presentations, peer assessments, and a final report of 3,500-6,000 words.

2. *Elective courses* (6 credits each except Dissertation (RE) which is 12 credits)
   These are specialization courses covering different topics in real estate selected and approved by the Department from time to time. Topics include real estate finance, Greater China real estate, development projects, advanced real estate analysis, urban planning: theory and practice, etc. Candidates are required to take not fewer than 18 credits in elective courses. The study load of each course is 150 hours including 24 contact hours (except for Market Research and Consultancy which is 9 contact hours). Assessment methods are decided by the individual teachers to tally with the intended learning outcomes of the courses, ranging from 0% to 100% coursework and 0% to 100% examination. Assessment tasks may include the writing of essays, reports, in-class quizzes, presentation and examination. Written output from each course is 3,500-6,000 words.

Dissertation (RE) (12 credits) provides an option for the candidates to pursue their own research and professional interests under the supervision of a dissertation supervisor. It provides the opportunity for the candidates to show their research competences. The study load is 300 hours. Contact hours are flexibly agreed between the candidates and supervisors, which are around 18 hours approximately. Assessment is 100% coursework including a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words.