



SAPOA – UCT Property Programme

Introduction to South African Property Programme

Online, 5 & 6 and 12 & 13 June 2025, mornings

Introduction

SAPOA and the University of Cape Town (UCT) are adapting to the changing training needs of the South African property market by transitioning from face-to-face to online and hybrid courses. This shift is driven by the increasing demand for online courses, the inability of companies to free employees for extended periods, and the rising costs associated with travel and accommodation for face-to-face courses.

Live interactions assist in creating a comprehensive and engaging learning environment. The proposed online format therefore includes a mix of live synchronous sessions and online learning materials and activities. This format allows for the preservation of the 'warmth' and structure associated with face-to-face programmes while providing the flexibility of online learning. The inclusion of both academics and property professionals in the presentation further enriches the learning experience.

The SAPOA – UCT Property Programme includes three short courses:

Introduction to South African Property Programme (IPP)

Introduction to Property Investment and Finance (IPIF)

Public Sector Real Estate Programme (PSRP)

Course Objective

The main objective of this course is to provide participants with an introduction to the SA property industry. It is an induction programme to the Sector which SAPOA members can use to as part of their overall company induction programme.

Course Outcomes

- Understand the structure of the SA property sector.
- Understand the role players in the SA property sector (including REITS).
- Understand the critical rules that drive the property sector (the law).
- The fundamentals of town planning.
- Fundamentals of major functions of the property business.
- Property management.
- Property facility management.
- Property asset management:
 - Analysis of trends in the SA property sector
 - An introduction to property investment terminology

Course Content

Module 1: Introduction to the SA property sector; SA property trends.

Module 2: The players in the SA property sector.

Module 3: An introduction to property investment concepts.

Module 4: The fundamentals of property law and planning.

Module 5: An introduction to major real estate functions and decision-making.

Course Format

The course will be delivered online with live sessions, including activities like panel discussions. It will run over two weeks with two morning sessions per week, each lasting about 2 hours. Participants will also complete additional readings and quizzes for each module.

Who Should Attend?

This course is primarily focussed to those who are new to the South African property sector, or who might need a stronger background to the sector. This course would be useful to public and private sector professionals new to the sector, individuals in who work in property management teams and individuals in an administrative position who need a better understanding of the sector.

Certificate Requirements

A certificate of attendance will be awarded to participants who attend at least 80% of the live sessions and complete each module.

A certificate of completion will be awarded to participants who attend at least 80% of the live sessions, complete each module, and achieve a minimum of 50% for the quizzes.

Course Overview

Course	Introduction to South African Property Programme
Dates and Duration	5 & 6 <u>and</u> 12 & 13 June 2025, morning sessions
Venue	Presented online via MS Teams and Amathuba (UCT's online learning platform)
Format	Synchronous online sessions, two mornings a week for two weeks. Total course duration including readings and quizzes: 20 hours
Course fees	SAPOA Members: R10 000 Non-members: R15 000
Registration Deadline	Thursday 22 May 2025
Enquiries	CPD Programme: ebe-cpd@uct.ac.za SAPOA: eduofficer@sapoa.org.za

Course Presenters

All the presenters on the course are recognised leaders in their fields.



A/Prof François Viruly is a property economist with over twenty years' experience in the analysis of the South African property market. A/Professor Viruly lectures in Urban Economics, Property Development and Portfolio Management at UCT in the School of Construction Economics and Management.

François held the position of Chief Economist at the Chamber of Mines. He was Head of Research at JHI Professional Services (valuations, research and legal services) and more recently Head of School of the School of Construction Economics and Management at Wits University. He is the director of Viruly Consulting Pty Ltd and also a fellow of RICS (Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors). He is past president and also Executive Director of the African Real Estate Society and he is also past president of the International Real Estate Society (IRES). Prof. Viruly has undertaken extensive research into the South African property cycle, the drivers of the South African property market and the relationship between urban economics and property markets. He is the founder and director of the UCT Urban Real Estate Research Unit at the University of Cape Town



A/Prof Kathy Michell is a quantity surveyor and facilities manager and has been a full-time academic staff member at UCT since 1995. Her research is in the fields of corporate real estate, property management and sustainable urban development and management. She is also a core member of the Urban Real Estate Research Unit. Kathy is the Africa Regional Editor for the Journal of Facilities Management and serves on the editorial board of the Journal of African Real Estate Research. Kathy is a former president of the South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession and has served on the Council for the Built Environment.



Dr Saul Nurick teaches on the both the undergraduate and masters Property Studies programmes at the University of Cape Town's Department of Construction Economics and Management. His teaching focuses on property financial mathematics, property feasibility analysis, property finance and environmental aspects linking to the real estate sector. He holds a BCom, BSc (Hons) (Property Studies) and MPhil degrees from the University of Cape Town. He also holds a PhD from the University of the Witwatersrand. He is registered as a chartered surveyor with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). Prior to joining UCT he worked in the listed property sector, and briefly as a consultant for a project management company in the UAE.



Dr Louie van Schalkwyk is a Senior Lecturer in property law in the Department of Construction Economics & Management at the University of Cape Town. She is also a researcher at the SARChI Research Chair: Mineral Law in Africa, hosted at the Law Faculty of the University of Cape Town. Her current research interests include mining law and property law, in particular the relationship between land use planning and mining and the role of cooperative government in this context.

Dr van Schalkwyk holds a PhD in Law from the University of Cape Town, and LLB and LLM degrees from the University of Stellenbosch. She is also an admitted attorney, notary and conveyancer of the High Court of South Africa with about ten years of experience in conveyancing and notarial practice.

Registration

Registration and Cancellation

- [Register for this course](#)
- Registration covers attendance of all sessions of the course, and course material.
- Registrations close on 22 May 2025. Confirmation of acceptance will be sent on receipt of a registration form.
- **Cancellations must be received 7 days before the start of a course, or the full course fee will be charged.**
- For more information on application and registration procedures, please visit our website: www.cpd.uct.ac.za

Certificates and CPD Points

The course is an approved University of Cape Town short course, and it is accredited with the Engineering Council of South Africa for the award for CPD points.

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