

Information for International Applicants For Master's of Real Estate Development

- **English Language Proficiency**

International students must demonstrate a proficiency in the English language by taking the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). The TOEFL is administered by the Educational testing Service (ETS) at numerous locations throughout the world.

A score of 575 or above on the paper based test (PBT) or 233 or above on the computer based test (CBT) (with a writing score of 4.0 or above) or a score of 84 and above on the internet based test (IBT) (with a writing score of 25 or above) may qualify an applicant for full admission. Also, a score of 6.5 or higher on the IELTS (with no sectional score below 6.0) may qualify an applicant for full admission. Applicants who score between 475 and 574 on the PBT, 153-232 on the CBT between 60 – 83 on the IBT may be considered for provisional admission, and will be required to take an English language proficiency examination upon arrival at the University of Maryland. Additionally, applicants scoring below 6.5 on the IELTS may be considered for provisional admission, and will be required to take an English language proficiency examination upon arrival at the University of Maryland.

- **Certificate of Finances**

International applicants applying for admission to the Graduate School at the University of Maryland College Park must certify sufficient funds (exclusive of travel funds) to cover university fees, books, supplies, tuition and living expenses for themselves and for any dependents. Funds can be demonstrated in the form of personal funds, parental or sponsor funds, government support, an assistantship at UMD or any other official sources of income. Please follow the guidelines and complete the Certification of Finances form.

- **Visa**

On the Graduate School application, prospective students are requested to note the type of visa they currently hold or will need to study at the University. In addition, if you are a current holder of a visa or Permanent Resident card, you must submit copies of that visa or Permanent Resident Card.

- **Transcripts**

The Graduate Admissions Office must receive the complete application and official records/marksheets in the original language with literal English translations by the appropriate international deadline date. Translations should not be interpretive and actual names of all degrees, diplomas, and certificates must appear in the translation. Official copies must be submitted for review with your application. Only applicants who have completed the full sequence of preparatory studies and examinations equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree from an approved institution, and who have met the University of Maryland College Park admissions criteria, will be considered.

- **More Information**

Further information can be found at The Department of International Education Services. If you have any questions regarding requirements for international students, please contact Insiya Jiwanji by email at: ijjwanji@umd.edu or by telephone at 301-314-4646.