Claire Wright
Certified Practising Valuer, Jones Lang LaSalle

"The property sector relies heavily on referrals and word of mouth recommendations when looking to appoint a new staff member. It is imperative that property students understand this 'hidden job market' when considering their plan to obtain a graduate role. A critical step students need to take is connecting with industry contacts and forming a network while still at Uni - joining a professional association as a student member is an excellent way to do this."

91% SA's only property degree of our graduates going on to full time work are employed in a professional occupation within four months of completing their degree.

86% of our research at or above world-class

Get Connected Fair
Engage with opportunities available to you throughout your study to gain extra experience.

Employment and Careers Expo
Connect with employers to learn more about graduate intakes, vacation internships and cadetship programs.

Volunteering and Work Experience Fair
Build your resume with experience before you graduate, learn new skills and network with potential employers.

International Careers Evening
Develop a strategy for moving in to the workforce in Australia and overseas. An event for international students.

Commerce Student Association
Make new friends and develop your professional networks through social and academic events hosted by the CSA.

Career Development Workshops
Workshop topics include: Job search skills, resume writing and business communication.

Global Experience Information Session
Meet the team, learn more about the program and start enhancing your degree today.

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SA’s only property degree

Unisa’s Bachelor of Business (Property) has a strong industry reputation for developing skilled property professionals. It provides a diverse range of career paths and the flexibility to change from one area in property to another. Graduates have found employment in some of the largest industry organisations in both Australia and throughout the world in the following areas:

› Valuation
› Management
› Investment
› Development
› Research

Property professionals collect and analyse information to make decisions and provide advice about the use and management of property in a business-to-business and client-focused setting.

Make smarter choices throughout your study by taking action, developing your competitive advantage and giving you the best opportunity for graduate employment.

Smarter choices

Understand how your personality, values, skills and knowledge combined with a tailored study plan will influence your career.

You

The property industry encompasses valuation, portfolio, asset and property management, commercial, agricultural and industrial sales and leasing, real estate investment trusts, research and development. Positions are available in property firms, financial institutions, private enterprise and local and national government departments.

☑ Complete an online assessment to determine which sector your values and skills are most aligned to.

Your study

You will graduate with a recognised industry qualification without the need to complete additional study. It is recommended to choose electives in complementary disciplines such as finance or marketing to increase your competitive advantage with a specialisation.

☑ Get sought after experience. Do a practicum, Work Placement Scheme, student exchange or the Global Experience course.

Your plan

It is never too early to develop your career plan. Make the most of the resources available to you.

☑ Schedule an appointment with a career advisor and get your career plan started.

Take action

Identify and close your skill gap, succeed in work experience, record your achievements and develop knowledge for your professional career pathway.

Assess

Record relevant skill sets and achievements that align with the needs of potential employers to demonstrate your suitability for a graduate role.

☑ Take a skill assessment to identify your areas of development needed to enhance your employability.

Prepare

You will undertake the course Professional Development in Property, designed to provide you with a highly practical skill set. Workshops and industry events with property professionals will give you essential communication, networking and business specific skills.

☑ Ensure this portfolio of development is highlighted to employers in your resume.

Engage

Expand your network and get a head start by engaging with industry contacts through opportunities such as the Business Career Mentor Program and Property Career Mentoring Program. Connect with the professional associations in your industry. These include the Australian Property Institute (API) and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

☑ Register to become a student member of a professional association.

Get connected

Engage with industry and prospective employers to enhance your career and professional development.

What you offer

How do you stand out from the crowd? Package your transferrable skills, work history and experience, and professional development to be an employer’s ideal candidate.

☑ Find out more about Unisa’s Leadership Program.

Where you’re going

Develop your plan to secure a graduate position.

› Who is employing graduates?
› Where are the jobs?
› When are the intakes?
› Is self-employment an option?

☑ Consider taking the Transition to Employment A (BUSS3079) course.

How to get there

Improve your chances of securing a graduate role. Put your career plan to work. Manage your job search strategy, get organised and invest time in tailoring your applications.

☑ Register for CareerHub – Unisa’s online database of vacancies, internships, work experience opportunities and career-related events and workshops.

Catherine Kain

“My advice for students would be to make sure you have a career plan. When I commenced my degree I knew experience in a global context would be critical for my career ambitions.

As a result, I undertook a student exchange to Hong Kong which was an enriching experience and an invaluable introduction to doing business in China.”

“I have always had a passion for research and knew further study would support my career goal. In order to be eligible for postgraduate study, I ensured that I would meet the requirements and have successfully secured the Prime Minister’s Australia Asia Endeavour Scholarship to complete my thesis in China.”

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