

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. How do you compare UROP (EG2605) to UREx (CDE2605R)?

Aspect	UROP	UREx
Course Name	Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme	Undergraduate Research Experience
Course Code	EG2605	CDE2605R
Units	4	4
Eligibility	Stage 2 standing	Stage 2 standing
Offered in	Sem 1, 2 and Special Term 1	Sem 1 and 2
Project initiated by	Staff (mostly)	Student
Nature of project	Typically academic research	Any technical project is fine as long as it serves to facilitate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent learning • Critical and creative thinking
Student(s)/project	One	Can be conducted individually or group (max 4 students)
Supervised by	CDE academic staff	CDE academic staff
Grant	Little to none	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SGD 2500 (individual) • SGD 5000 (group)
Deliverables	UROP report (10-20 pg technical report)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UREx report (10-20 pg technical report) • Executive summary (1-2 pg non-technical report) • Attendance for 5 workshops
Commitment	130 hr (minimum)	130 hr (minimum)

2. I have completed UROP (EG2605). Can I upgrade it with REX?

UROP (EG2605) **cannot be upgraded with REX**. Students who wish to benefit from the REX programme while doing a research project can opt to take UREx (CDE2605R) which is offered as a separate course.

3. I have completed UROP (EG2605). Can I still enrol for UREx (CDE2605R) and earn 4 units to count towards the Unrestricted Elective requirements?

Yes, you can enrol for UREx. Note that only a maximum of 4 units from UROP/UREx can count towards the major internship requirement for Bachelor of Engineering students. If you have completed both UROP and UREx, the other 4 units will count towards Unrestricted Electives.

4. **I have enrolled for UREx (CDE2605R) in Semester 1 but I am not able to complete the requirements in one semester. Can I complete it in Semester 2?**

The REX Fellows have **up to two regular semesters** to complete the UREx deliverables. You can choose to complete UREx by end of Semester 1 or end of Semester 2.

5. **I have enrolled for UREx (CDE2605R) in Semester 1 and I would like to complete it in Semester 2. Do I need to indicate my preferred UREx completion date via the CDE Enhancement Programme portal?**

You do **NOT** need to indicate your preferred completion date to us, or via the portal. Simply complete your UREx deliverables by the deadline. Kindly refer to the [UREx website](#), Section 3.4, for deadlines.

6. **If I choose to complete UREx (CDE2605R) over two semesters, I will receive an 'IP' grade at the end of the first semester and receive actual grade at the end of the second semester. How is the course workload distributed across the two semesters? Specifically, would it be counted as 4 units workload in both semesters, or would it be counted as 2 units in each semester?**

If a student decides to complete UREx in 2 semesters, the **course workload** is counted as 4 units for each semester (i.e. 4 units for Sem 1 and 4 units for Sem 2). On successfully completing UREx, your transcript will show that you have earned 4 units for UREx.

7. **Could I seek an industry manager/supervisor (non-NUS staff) from my previous internship to be my UREx supervisor?**

Main supervisor for UREx must be a full-time academic staff from CDE (includes staff with joint appointments with CDE). Your **co-supervisor**, however, can be a non-CDE person (example an industry manager/supervisor from previous internship).

- 8. The UREx website provides a link to the logsheet (to state the hours clocked), but the deliverables do not include the submission of the logsheet. Is it required of me to submit the logsheet?**

The submission of the logsheet is not compulsory unless required by your supervisor. The logsheet is designed to assist you and your supervisor in monitoring the progress of the UREx project.