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This year's ARGUS case was a combined portfolio-level hold/sell and investment analysis, using three scenarios to project the risk/return on each scenario and determine potential loan-to-value ratios for the refinance scenarios. The portfolio of three shopping centers presented an opportunity to be sold, refinanced as-is, or refinanced with some additional funds for recommended improvement projects.

"The 2017 ARGUS University Challenge was a great platform to gain practical experience utilizing the ARGUS system to perform investment analysis," said Julin Yong. "It allowed us to present an investment thesis backed with thought derived from market research coupled with creativity that emphasized returns."

The 2017 ARGUS University Challenge received over 30 submissions. The University of San Diego took first place, with Louisiana State University and the University of California at Los Angeles rounding out the top four.