

PROGRAMME BROCHURE 2026-2027

Joint Masters/ LL.M. in Intellectual Property Law and Management

Jointly offered by:

National Law University Delhi
World Intellectual Property Organization
Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks



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About the Programme

The Master of Laws (LL.M.) and Master of Arts (M.A.) in Intellectual Property Law and Management Programme, seamlessly blends intellectual property law expertise with cutting-edge management principles.

The Programme transformative academic journey is curated to empower students and career professionals to navigate the intricate realms of intellectual property (IP) law and management. The course aims to introduce innovative practices tailored to shape the future leaders in transforming intangible assets into tangible one's for the benefit of society.

The Programme transcends the boundaries of traditional education by offering a dual track mode that can cater to legal as well as non-legal backgrounds, thereby removing barriers in accessing IP education. Innovative pedagogy and interdisciplinary coursework forms the cornerstone of this Programme. Whether you come from the legal field seeking an LL.M. Degree or from diverse fields of non-legal backgrounds seeking a Master's Degree, the Programme is structured in a way that it provides a comprehensive pathway to expertise in the dynamic realm of IP law and management. The involvement of world-class faculty drawn from different parts of the world and its skill-based courses (SBCs) delivered by professionals and practitioners are key highlights of the Programme.

NLUD, WIPO, and the Office of CGPDTM, Government of India, have collaborated to deliver the programme through a tripartite letter of intent. The Programme heralds a new era of education, emphasizing holistic development, a multidisciplinary approach and embracing internationalisation. Further, recognizing the evolving landscape where IP intersects with law, science, technology, business and management, the programme has been crafted with a unique curriculum guided by distinguished experts from around the globe. It is tailored to meet the diverse needs of the professionals encompassing different domains.

About the Partners

National Law University Delhi (NLUD)

National Law University Delhi (NLUD) was instituted by Act 1 of 2008 of the National Capital Territory, Delhi. The primary objective of the University is to evolve and impart comprehensive and interdisciplinary legal education that is socially relevant. The vision of the University is to create a global educational institution that strives to be the best, both within and outside India, and to present individuals with a wide range of opportunities to contribute to the legal profession and beyond.

The curriculum and pedagogy at NLUD are designed to bridge the gap between theoretical concepts and their practical applications. The University aims to encourage novelty and scientific temper amongst its students, enabling them to become pioneers of change for future generations. The commendable achievements of the students and faculty of NLUD within a short span of time stand testimony to the pool of skill and talent that this University has nurtured. The University has been consistently ranked 2nd in the 'law category' of the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) by the Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India. Read more about NLU Delhi: nludelhi.ac.in/home.aspx

Notably, the Centre for Innovation, Intellectual Property and Competition (CIIPC), NLUD was established with the aim of supporting academic and policy-oriented dialogues in the areas of innovation, IP and competition in the year 2015. Recognizing the contributions and academic potential, the Chair on IPR was instituted by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India in the year 2018 under the Scheme for Pedagogy and Research in IPRs for Holistic Education and Academia (SPRIHA). Read more about the activities of CIIPC-IPR Chair: ciipc.org

On the Programme Committee, NLU Delhi is represented by:

- Prof. (Dr) G.S. Bajpai, Vice-Chancellor
- Prof. (Dr) Ruhi Paul, Registrar
- Mr. Eashan Ghosh, Programme Director
- Mr. Virender Singh Negi, Assistant Registrar
- Ms. Nishtha Sharma, Programme Coordinator

About the Partners

World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is the global forum for intellectual property (IP) services, policy, information and cooperation. It is a self-funded agency of the United Nations, with 193 member states. It helps governments, businesses and society realize the benefits of IP; provides global services to protect IP across borders, and resolves IP-related disputes. It delivers capacity-building programs to enable all countries to use IP for economic, social and cultural development.

The WIPO Academy is the centre of excellence of IP education, training and skills-building for WIPO member states, in particular developing countries, least-developed countries (LDCs) and countries in transition.

The Academy works to help build human capacity in IP, which is essential to innovation. The aim of the University Partnerships program is to support access to IP higher education, especially to participants from developing countries, LDCs and countries in transition. One of the main means of achieving this aim is through the Joint Masters/ LL.M. Programs on IP, offered in cooperation with selected academic institutions. Read more about the WIPO Academy: www.wipo.int/academy/en

On the Programme Committee, WIPO is represented by:

- Mr. Victor Owade, Counsellor, WIPO Academy

Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (CGPDTM)

Office of the Controller General of Patents, Design and Trade Mark (CGPDTM), Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (DPIIT), Government of India (GoI) is the government agency responsible for the administration of Indian intellectual property laws with regard to Patents, Designs, Trademarks, Copyrights, Semiconductor Integrated Circuits Layout-Design Registry and even Geographical Indications.

The Office of the CGPDTM plays a vital role in promoting innovation and protecting Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in India. It administers the IP laws in the following different IP domains and has an IP training institute:

(i) Patent Office; (ii) Designs Registry; (iii) Trademark Registry; (iv) Copyright Registry; (v) Geographical Indications Registry; (vi) Semiconductor Integrated Circuits Layout-Design Registry (SICLDR); and (vii) Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management (RGNIIPM) as Training Institute.

Read more about the Office of CGPDTM: : ipindia.gov.in

On the Programme Committee, CGPDTM is represented by:

- Prof. (Dr) Unnat P. Pandit, Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks

Application & Admission

All application will be processed online through the admission portal of NLU Delhi:
<https://nationallawuniversitydelhi.in/>

Last Date for Submission of Applications: April 10, 2026

Eligibility Requirements

Master of Arts (M.A.) in Intellectual Property Law and Management

- Candidates must have completed two bachelor's degrees in succession, including one in the relevant discipline; **or**
- An integrated degree programme of five years in the relevant discipline after completing plus two; **or**
- An equivalent post-graduate degree in any discipline from a recognized University.

In all the above-mentioned cases, the candidate must have secured a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate (45% for reserved categories such as SC/ST/Persons with Disability).

No. of Seats: 25 Indian, 10 Foreign National, 5 CGPDTM

Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property Law and Management

- Candidates should have completed LL.B. or an equivalent degree from a recognized University.

In the above-mentioned case, the candidate must have secured a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate (45% for reserved categories such as SC/ST/Persons with Disability).

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Admission Process For Indian Nationals

Admission for Indian Nationals shall be based on merit in the All India Entrance Test (AIET).

- **Issue of Admit Card:** The admit card will be issued online through the NLU Delhi Admission Website on **April 25, 2026**.
- **Date & Time of AIET:** **Sunday, May 3, 2026 | 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

Admission Process For Foreign Nationals

The selection of Foreign Nationals shall follow a structured procedure, which includes the following stages:

- (i) **Preliminary Screening (30% Weightage)** - Academic record of Bachelor's Degree(s) (for the M.A. Programme) or LL.B. or equivalent Degree (for the LL.M. Programme) recognized by UGC/ Association of Indian Universities (AIU) with not less than 50% marks or equivalent grade. All candidates applying under this category shall be required to supply:
 - (a) certified English Translations of all academic documentation submitted under this clause, and
 - (b) a statement certified by the Issuing University explaining the scoring scale/criteria, expressed as a percentage, followed in awarding the overall degree score/cumulative grade point average.
- (ii) **Short Essays (40% Weightage)** - Candidates shortlisted by the Admissions Scrutiny Committee shall be required to submit two (02) essays, each of approximately 800-1000 words, on separate topics related to intellectual property law and/or associated fields, constituting stage two of the selection process.
- (iii) **Interview (30% Weightage)** – Candidates shortlisted by the Admissions Scrutiny Committee shall be required to appear for an interview before a panel of experts, constituting stage three of the selection process.

Admission Process For CGPDTM

The selection process will include the following stages:

- (i) **Preliminary Screening (30% Weightage)** - This will include verification of compliance with the minimum eligibility criteria and examination of the academic records of the qualifying degree for the applied programme.
- (ii) **Short Essays (40% Weightage)** - Each shortlisted candidate shall be required to submit two (02) essays, each of approximately 800-1000 words, on separate topics related to intellectual property IP Law, which shall form stage two of the selection process.
- (iii) **Interview (30% Weightage)** – Candidates shortlisted by the Admissions Scrutiny Committee shall be required to appear for an interview, constituting stage three of the selection process.

Online Application Fee

General /OBC/EWS/Foreign Nationals/CGPDTM	3,000.00 (INR)
SC/ST and Persons with Disability (PWD)	1,000.00 (INR)
SC/ST and women candidates who are Below Poverty Line (BPL) are exempted from payment of the online application fee.	
Online Application Fee is non-refundable	

Tuition Fee

Fee Heads	Amount (INR)
Admission Fee (one time)	10,000.00
Tuition Fee (p.a.)*	3,35,595.00** USD 7500 for SAARC USD 10000 for Other than SAARC
Academic services and facilities (p.a.)	43,000.00
Student welfare fund (p.a.)	7,000.00
Utility Services (p.a.)	20,000.00
Refundable Estate Deposits (one time)	25,000.00

*There shall be an annual increment in tuition fee of Rs. 20,000/- (USD 150 for SAARC, USD 200 for other than SAARC).

** There shall be a concession of 50% tuition fee for CGPDTM Category candidates.

Scholarship Information

A limited number of scholarships are available from WIPO supported by the Government of Japan for international students from developing and least developed countries. Kindly visit WIPO Academy Website for more information: <https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/university-partnerships/jointmasters-in-ip>

Course Structure & Flow (2026-27)

Total Credits: 40

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER		
Course Type	Course Name	Course Type	Course Name	
Mandatory Courses	Legal Research Methodology/Research Methods and IP Research	Elective Courses	Advanced Trademark Law	
	Comparative Public Law/Systems of Governance/Introduction to Law and Legal Systems		Advanced Patent Law	
	Law and Justice in a Globalizing World/International Intellectual Property and Public Policy		Advanced Copyright Law	
	General Principles of Intellectual Property Law		WIPO & International IP	
	General Principles of Strategy and Management of IP		IP Across Disciplines	
Skill Based Courses	Intellectual Property Transactions: Negotiating and Drafting Agreements	Skill Based Courses	Intellectual Property Prosecution: Acquisition, Oppositions and Maintenance	
	Intellectual Asset Management and IP Policy: Actors and Stakeholders		Trending Topics in Indian Intellectual Property	
Dissertation				
*The courses mentioned are indicative in nature.				

Duration, Language, Venue & Degree

Duration: The programme shall be of one-year duration (**1st August, 2026 to 30th July, 2027**).

Language: English

Venue: The Programme will be held physically on campus of the National Law University Delhi and Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (CGPDTM-Indian IP Office), Dwarka, Delhi in full time mode.

Degree: All Degrees for this Programme shall be granted by National Law University Delhi.



Placement Information

Placement opportunities for the Joint Masters/LL.M. in IP Law and Management are coordinated by the student-led Recruitment Coordination Committee, formed by each batch.



Programme Coordinator

NLUD COORDINATOR

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WIPO ACADEMY COORDINATOR

Mr. Victor Owade

Counsellor, Academic Institutions and
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Official Website of WIPO Academy:
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CGPDTM COORDINATOR

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ipindia.gov.in

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Disclaimer:

All candidates are requested to visit the official website for detailed information: nationallawuniversitydelhi.in In case of any inconsistency in the brochure, the information on the website will be considered final.

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