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

Programme Brochure

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National Law University Delhi,

World Intellectual Property Organization and

Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks

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# About the Programme

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Explore the pioneering first edition of our Master of Law (LL.M. Degree) in Intellectual Property Law and Management and Masters in Intellectual Property Law and Management (Masters of Arts- M.A. Degree) Programme, seamlessly blending Intellectual Property law expertise with cutting-edge management principles. Dive into a transformative academic journey curated to empower professionals, students, entrepreneurs and Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in navigating the intricate realms of Intellectual Property (IP) Law and Management. The aim is to introduce innovative practices tailored to shape the future leaders in transforming intangible assets into tangible for the benefit of the society.

The Programme transcends boundaries of traditional education by offering a dual track mode which can cater to legal as well as non-legal backgrounds, thereby, removing barriers from the knowledge acquisition of Intellectual Property. 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 such a way that it provides a comprehensive pathway to expertise in the dynamic realm of Intellectual Property Law and Management.

The National Law University Delhi (NLUD) signed a tripartite letter of intent with the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) and Office of Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (CGPDTM - Indian IP Office), Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India for launching the Joint Masters/ LL.M. Degree in IP Law and Management under the aegis of the WIPO India Action Plan, 2023.

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

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## **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 which 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: <https://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: <https://ciipc.org/>

## **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 at <http://www.wipo.int/academy/en/>

## **OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER GENERAL OF PATENTS, DESIGNS AND TRADE MARK (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 Law 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 a 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 (RGNIPM) as Training Institute.

Read more about the Office of CGPDTM at Official website of Intellectual Property India (<https://ipindia.gov.in>)

# ACADEMIC FACULTY

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The National Law University Delhi Professors, as well as visiting faculty, WIPO experts, Officials from the office of the CGPDTM and other IP professionals from India and abroad will offer courses as well as special guest lectures.

### **CORE INTERNAL FACULTY, NLUD**

Dr. Yogesh Pai, Associate Professor (Law)  
Co-Director, CIIPC & In-charge: SPRIHA-DPIIT  
IPR Chair National Law University Delhi

Dr. Neethu Rajam, Associate Professor (Law),  
National Law University Delhi

### **CORE VISITING FACULTY**

Prof. Jacques de Werra, Professor of Contract Law and Intellectual Property (IP) Law, Director of the Digital Law Center, Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva.

Ms. Jayashree Watal, Visiting Professor, NLUD and Adjunct Professor of Law, Georgetown Law

Prof. Eric Gan Kok Wah, Associate Professor, Intellectual Property & Innovation Management, Singapore University of Social Sciences, Singapore

Prof. (Dr.) N S Gopalakrishnan, Honorary Professor, Inter-University Centre for IPR Studies (IUCIPRS), Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi

Prof. (Dr.) V K Unni, Professor, Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta

Prof. Bryan Mercurio, Simon F.S. Li, Professor of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Prof. A Damodaran, Former Professor, Indian Institute of Management, Bengaluru, Visiting Professor, Ahmedabad University, Distinguished Professor, ICRIER

Prof. (Dr.) Raman Mittal, Professor at Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi

Dr. Arul George Scaria, Associate Professor of Law, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru

Prof. Srividhya Ragavan, Professor of Law and Director of India Programmes, School of Law, Texas A&M University

Dr. Shubha Ghosh, Director, Syracuse Intellectual

Property Law Institute, College of Law, Syracuse University

Dr. Sujitha Subramanian, Senior Lecturer in Law and Associate Head of Department, School of Law and Social Justice, University of Liverpool

Prof. (Dr.) Anil Wali, CEO, BITS BioCyTiH Foundation

Prof. Suma Athreye, School of Public Policy, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

Dr. Pratyush Nath Upreti, Senior Lecturer in Law at the School of Law, Queen's University Belfast

Prof. Adam Mossoff, Professor of Law, Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University, Washington D.C.

Prof. Biswajit Dhar, Distinguished Professor Council for Social Development, Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University (Retd)

## GUEST FACULTY

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The programme promises a stellar panel of guest faculty with experts from academia, judiciary, industry, law firms, independent counsels, law chambers, tech-transfer offices, in-house R&D leads, government officials and officials from diplomatic missions. Senior representatives from all walks of the IP ecosystem in India will offer their expertise and insights on various aspects of Intellectual Property, including protection, management, commercialisation, litigation, enforcement and policy.

# CURRICULUM

The One-year Joint Masters/LL.M. Programme will have a dual track and the components are mentioned herein below:

a) **Credits:** LL.M. in Intellectual Property Law and Management has been allocated 24 credits while M.A. in Intellectual Property Law and Management has been allocated 40 Credits.

b) **Compulsory Papers/ Core Specialization Papers:**

Track I (LL.M.)	Credits	Track II (M.A)
<b>COMPULSORY PAPER</b>		
Legal Research Methodology	3 Credits	Research Methods and IP Research
Comparative Public Law/Systems of Governance	3 Credits	Introduction to Law and Legal Systems
Law and Justice in a Globalizing World	3 Credits	International IP and Public Policy
<b>CORE SPECIALIZATION PAPER</b>		
General Principles of Intellectual Property Law	2 Credits	General Principles of Intellectual Property Law
General Principles of Strategy and Management of IP	2 Credits	General Principles of Strategy and Management of IP

c) **Optional Papers:**

Track I (LL.M.)	Credits	Track II (M.A)
<b>OPTIONAL PAPER</b>		
IP and Innovation (Advanced Focus on Patents, Plant Variety Protection and Industrial Designs)	2 Credits	IP and Innovation (Advanced Focus on Patents, Plant Variety Protection and Industrial Designs)
IP and Creative Economy (Advanced Focus on Copyright and Related Rights)	2 Credits	IP and Creative Economy (Advanced Focus on Copyright and Related Rights)
IP and Brand Protection (Advanced Focus on Trademarks and Geographical Indications)	2 Credits	IP and Brand Protection (Advanced Focus on Trademarks and Geographical Indications)

Track I (LL.M.)	Credits	Track II (M.A)
<b>OPTIONAL PAPER</b>		
IP Variants (Focus on Trade Secrets, Data Protection, Unfair Competition etc.)	2 Credits	IP Variants (Focus on Trade Secrets, Data Protection, Unfair Competition etc.)
IP Licensing and Contract Management	2 Credits	IP Licensing and Contract Management
IP Monetisation and Valuation	2 Credits	IP Monetisation and Valuation
IP and Frontier Technologies: Artificial Intelligence, Metaverse and Critical/Emerging Technologies	2 Credits	IP and Frontier Technologies: Artificial Intelligence, Metaverse and Critical/Emerging Technologies
IP Economics and Innovation and New Business Models	2 Credits	IP Economics and Innovation and New Business Models
Advanced IP Acquisition (Search, Patent Drafting, Filing and Prosecution)	2 Credits	Advanced IP Acquisition (Search, Patent Drafting, Filing and Prosecution)
IP Commercialisation and Technology Transfer for TTOs	2 Credits	IP Commercialisation and Technology Transfer for TTOs
IP Examination, IP Office Administration and Management	2 Credits	IP Examination, IP Office Administration and Management
IP and Competition Law/Policy	2 Credits	IP and Competition Law/Policy
IP and Regulation	2 Credits	IP and Regulation
IP Remedies/Enforcement and Dispute Resolution Management	2 Credits	IP Remedies/ Enforcement and Dispute Resolution Management
IP Intelligence and Analytics	2 Credits	IP Intelligence and Analytics

**Note:**

- ❖ Foundation/Compulsory Papers (3 credits) will be equivalent to Sixty-Four teaching hours and Optional/ Core Specialization courses will be equivalent to Thirty- Six teaching hours.
- ❖ Optional/core Courses will be offered only based on the availability of the faculty and minimum student subscription determined by the Steering Committee.
- ❖ All Courses shall be offered by using the block teaching method.
- ❖ Dissertation/ Applied Research Project Report: The Dissertation/Applied Research Project shall be for 3 or 5 credits at the option of the student and on the recommendation of the supervisor to the steering committee for the award of M.A. Degree/ LL.M. Degree. It is a compulsory requirement for a student to become eligible for the grant of a degree.
- ❖ Skill-Based Courses: The LL.M. Candidates may take extra-credit skill-based courses at their option for which separate certificates/transcripts shall be provided. However, these extra credits shall not be accounted for in the award of LL.M. Degree. The M.A. Candidates are required to undertake the mandatory skill-based courses which shall be accounted for the award of M.A. Degree.



# APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

The application period is from **21<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 till 3rd June, 2024**. All the applications will be processed online through the website: <https://nationallawuniversitydelhi.in>

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (Indian National and Officials of CGPDTM)

Master of Law (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property Law and Management	Masters of Arts (M.A.) in Intellectual Property Law and Management
Candidate should have completed LL.B. or an equivalent degree from a recognized University.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Candidates must have completed two bachelor's degrees in succession, including one in the relevant discipline; or</li> <li>(ii) An integrated degree programme of five years in the relevant discipline after completing plus two; or</li> <li>(iii) An equivalent post-graduate degree in any discipline from a recognized university; or</li> <li>(iv) Candidates completing a four-year Bachelor's programme with Honours/Research, from a recognized university</li> </ul>

In all the above mentioned cases, the candidate must have secured a minimum of 55% marks in aggregate (50% for reserved categories such as SC/ST/Persons with Disability).

As per the admission process, the scores of All India Entrance Test shall carry a weightage of 70%, Written Personal Statement of 15% and the Interview of 15%. The Indian Nationals and the Officials of CGPDTM are required to mandatorily take the All India Entrance Test.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS (FOREIGN NATIONALS)

Academic Record	Written & Spoken English	Written Personal Statement	Interview
Academic record of Bachelor's Degree (For M.A. Programme) or LL.B. or equivalent Degree (For LL.M. Programme) recognized by UGC/ Association of Indian	Assessment of necessary communication skills in written and spoken English is a prerequisite. Scores of IELTS/TOEFL with a minimum requirement of [IELTS (Academic) 6.5, or	The candidates will have to submit a written personal statement (minimum 500 and upto 700 words) at the time of filing of the application.	The candidates for the interview will be called in the ratio of 2:1 based on the cumulative score of the academic record and IELTS/ TOEFL result.  [The candidates

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Academic Record	Written & Spoken English	Written Personal Statement	Interview
Universities (AIU) with not less than 55% marks or equivalent grade.	or TOEFL 580 (paper-based) / 85 (internet based)].		shortlisted for the interview shall be required to submit two Letters of Recommendation (LORs) Academic/ Professional.]

## WEIGHTAGE ALLOCATED

70%	15%	15%
Grades and IELTS/TOEFL scores will be given 70% weightage (50% + 20% respectively), with conversion of academic grades through AIU (Association of Indian Universities) Standards.	The remaining 30% weightage will be allocated with distribution of 15% each between the interview and written personal statement submitted during filing of the application.	

## APPLICATION FEE

Indian Nationals	
General /OBC/EWS	4,000.00 (INR)
SC/ST and Persons with Disability (PwD)	2,000.00 (INR)
Below Poverty Line (BPL) candidates of SC/ST Category	5,00.00 (INR)
Officials of the Office of Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademark (CGPDTM-Indian IPO)	4,000.00 (INR)
Foreign Nationals	
	5,000.00 (INR)

## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Application Start Date</b>	<b>: 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2024</b>
<b>Application Closes</b>	<b>: 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2024</b>
<b>Announcement of Hall Tickets</b>	<b>: 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2024</b>
<b>Date of All India Entrance Test</b>	<b>: 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2024</b>
<b>Start Date of Programme</b>	<b>: 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2024</b>

For detailed information about the Admission process and the All India Entrance Test, the candidates should visit the official website <https://nationallawuniversitydelhi.in>

# DURATION, LANGUAGE, VENUE AND DEGREE

**DURATION:** The programme shall be of one year duration (16th August, 2024 to 30th July, 2025).

**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.

**HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION:** It may be noted that due to the paucity of rooms in the hostel, the National Law University Delhi shall not be able to provide hostel accommodation to any student admitted in the Joint Masters/LL.M. programme.

**DEGREE:** The Degree granting authority for this programme is National Law University Delhi. However the transcript/degree certificate shall bear the logos of all the partnering institutions

## 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. Please refer to the [WIPO Academy website](#) for more information.

## TUITION FEE

Category	Fees in INR	Fees in USD
Indians	INR 4,15,595/-	USD 5,000/-
Officials of the Office of CGPDTM	INR 2,07,748/-	USD 2,500/-
SAARC	INR 6,23,392/-	USD 7,500/-
International Students	INR 8,31,190/-	USD 10,000/-

# PROGRAMME COORDINATORS

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## NLUD COORDINATOR

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## WIPO ACADEMY COORDINATOR

**Victor Owade**

Counsellor, Academic Institutions and Executive Program

WIPO Academy at World Intellectual Property Organization

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## CGPDTM COORDINATOR

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**CGPDTM:** [cgooffice-mh@nic.in](mailto:cgooffice-mh@nic.in)

**Disclaimer:** All candidates are requested to visit the official website for entrance <https://nationallawuniversitydelhi.in> In case of any inconsistency in the brochure, the information on the website will be considered final.