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MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY MUMBAI

Two-Year

**MASTER IN
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS
(M.IPR)**

2022-2024

LAST DATE TO APPLY: OCTOBER 17, 2022

Mode: Hybrid (Online + Offline)

Eligibility: Graduate in any stream

Fees: ₹1,60,000/- (Rs. 80,000/- Per Year)

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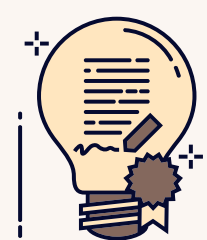
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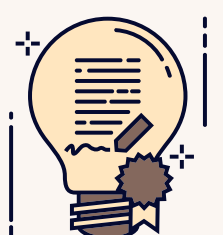
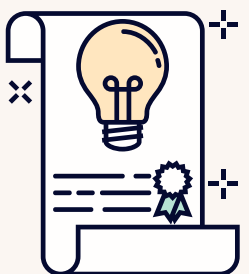
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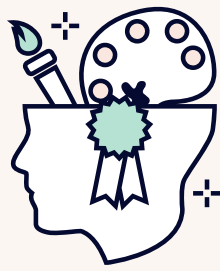
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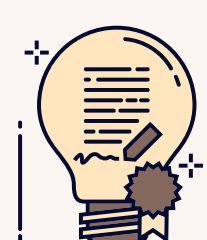
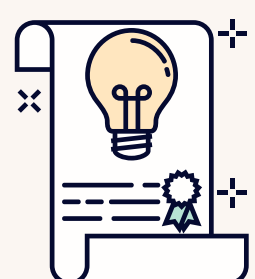


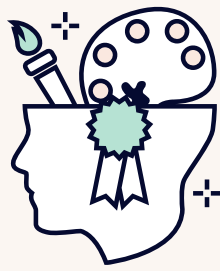
FROM THE DESK OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR

Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai as one of the Premier Law Institutions in India requires no introduction today as it has already made its own space in the field of legal education. The University established in the year 2014 by the Government of Maharashtra with the objective of imparting specialized and systematic instruction, training, and research in law, has grown into one of the premier institutions of excellence in legal education located in the economic capital of India. MNLU Mumbai has developed an exemplary professional and academic environment compatible with any other top institution in the world.

The University offers B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) Five years integrated program and one-year LL.M. program in Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Corporate and Commercial Laws, Maritime law, Investment and Securities Laws (with National Institute of Securities Management). From the Academic Year 2022, the University has also introduced Post Graduate Diploma in IPR to acquaint students with the modern processes of law. Cognizant of this changing paradigm of learning MNLU Mumbai has signed MoUs with some leading Universities and premier Institutions in India and abroad for a more sustained and engaged exchange of ideas related to law and allied subjects and society in modern times.

Intellectual Property is used in practically every aspect of an individual or an institution. Thus, the grant of IP holds significant importance due to the fact that in the past few years, IP has become more of a private or commercial affair and is no longer restricted to a state-run activity. The protection that the IP law offers to the holder of the IP increases its demand and value. This creates a need for IP professionals in various sectors of the industries. For creating efficient IP professionals; special education in IP is the need of the hour. To align Indian professionals with the international standards of innovation and creativity, MNLU Mumbai is launching a Master Programme in IPR.



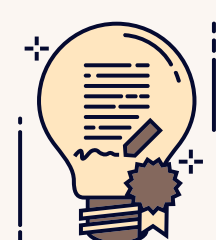
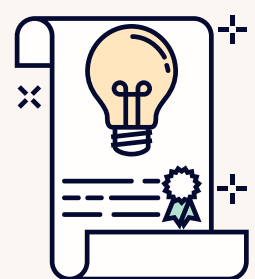


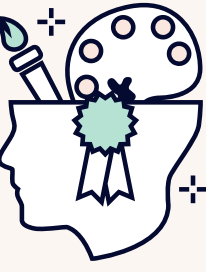
MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR

Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai disseminates advanced legal knowledge under the able guidance and mentorship of the University's Chancellor, Hon. Dr. Justice D.Y. Chandrachud, Judge, Supreme Court of India, and under the able leadership of its Hon. Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Dilip Ukey. Located in the pristine region of Mumbai, its surroundings contribute to making MNLU Mumbai such an exemplary academic environment and a hub for wide career opportunities.

The competitiveness of nations and corporations depends not just on their physical assets but also on their ability to effectively capitalize on their knowledge assets. The knowledge economy is just not restricted to high-tech, information, and communication technologies industries. It is an economy that leverages existing knowledge to improve overall productivity across industries and human development. In spite of having a strong intellectual capital base, India has still a long way to go in utilizing its resources toward creating a strong knowledge economy. To overcome these issues Indian government has launched different programmes such as 'Make in India', and 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' amongst others to equip India with the facilities to develop and compete with the international markets. Simultaneously, the government has also launched National Education Policy 2020, which introduces intellectual property from a very young age to develop the scientific, creative, and innovative temper.

Educational institutes play a pivotal role in disseminating IP knowledge and creating IP professionals and policymakers. MNLU Mumbai as an educational institute understands its vital role in shaping the professionals of tomorrow. With this aim this unique two year M.IPR Degree programme has been launched. I look forward to welcoming the maiden batch of this programme.



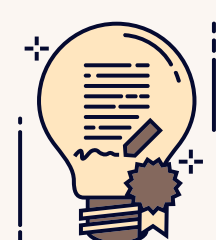
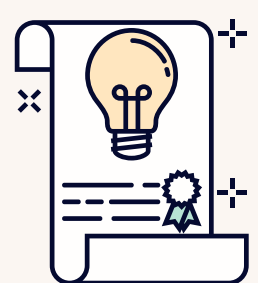


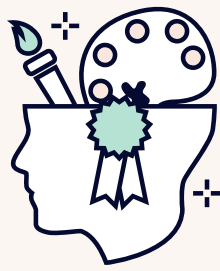
COURSE DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Today's youth are an incredible source of creativity and ingenuity. There are around 1.8 billion young people in the world and ninety percent of them live in developing countries. India being a developing country can tap this untapped source of energy to develop its human resource, infrastructure, and economy.

To promote innovation, policymakers have made attempts to increase India's expenditure on R&D. It is notably below 2 percent of GDP, which is the benchmark value that most innovating countries spend on R&D. Policymakers must listen to the needs and concerns of young inventors, creators, and entrepreneurs and develop policies and programs that nurture and support their endeavors to innovate for a better future. We need courses like M.IPR to facilitate this idea of innovation for a better future. Further, to promote innovation, more R&D encouragement from the private sector, schemes, and recognition is required. The country needs better training for the students at school and college levels. Youth has the power to change. Education programs should be aimed at teaching young minds about the importance of intellectual property in the economic growth of the country.

The M.IPR course is aimed at providing exhaustive quality education and practical training along with professional skills in all IPRs, viz., Patents, Industrial Designs, Trade Marks, Copyrights, Geographical Indications, Plant Variety Protection Rights, Semiconductor Layout IC Design layout, and other allied areas. The proposed course will be offered in a hybrid mode. The objectives include providing quality education and hands-on training on intellectual property, developing the capability to file various kinds of IPs and render advice to clients, imparting comprehensive knowledge in IPRs, and developing an ability to analyze technical-legal decisions related to intellectual property, etc.





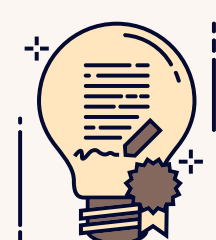
ABOUT MNLU MUMBAI

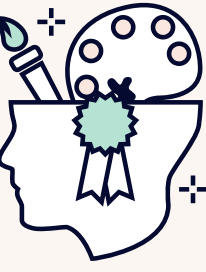
MNLU Mumbai is one of the premier National Law universities located in the economic capital of India. It offers graduate, post-graduate, and research degrees in law and allied disciplines. The object of the university is to advance and disseminate learning and knowledge of the law and legal processes and their role in national development, to serve society in the field of law by developing skills in regard to advocacy, legal services, legislation, law reforms, and the like; to organize lectures, seminars, symposia and conferences to promote efficient instruments of social development. MNLU Mumbai has set up a Centre for Research in IP among fifteen centers for legal research. Department for the Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Govt. of India has also established IPR Chair in the University to advance these objects.

ABOUT THE M. IPR PROGRAMME:

India presently needs to develop a strong IP ecosystem and adopt an IP culture to cultivate the socio-economic sector of the country. A large number of well-trained IP professionals are required in view of increased IP filing & IP litigation. Further, the government furnishes a plan 'Make in India' and 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' which will make India a manufacturing hub for a large number of inventions and other intellectual creations to boost the economy. This will need a large number of IP professionals for the facilitation of these knowledge assets. In view of this insufficient/inadequate number of IP professionals in the country. To facilitate IP knowledge, a Master's in IPR is launched.

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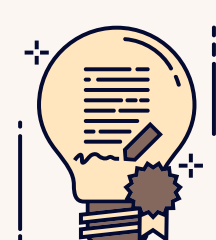
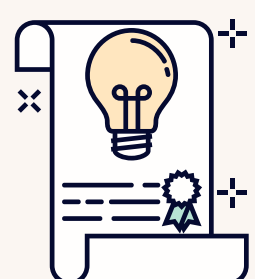


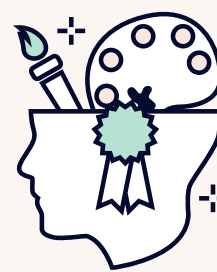
Post Graduate IPR degree course is more fruitful and effective due to its exhaustive and practical contents and also due to the fact that the students joining the course already possess graduate or higher degree/ higher education at the time of joining, and hence, they are more conversant and focused towards the course. At present, there is no specific post-graduate IPR course conducted by any National Law University, hence, it will be most appropriate for MNLU Mumbai to fill the void and start such a Post-graduate IPR course.

The Government of India has launched National IPR Policy in May 2016 which highlights the need for the creation of IPR awareness, strengthening IP education, ensuring the availability of well-trained IPR professionals, and building up IPR-related institutional capacity for the promotion and creation of IPRs. The growing complexity of intellectual property law makes a fundamental appreciation of the underlying legal principles essential to top-level practice. The fast-changing commercial and technological environment in which intellectual property operates makes exposure to practice significantly important for any proper academic understanding of the subject matter. This course is a course in intellectual property law and practice that is second to none.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To provide quality education and hands-on training on all intellectual property rights i.e., Patents, designs, trademarks, copyrights, geographical indications, etc.
- To develop an ability to analyze technical-legal decisions related to intellectual property through oral and written communication, presentation of legal discussions, and education and professional training.
- To develop the capability to file various kinds of IPs and render advice to clients.
- To impart the most advanced comprehensive knowledge in IPRs so that successful students can confidently work or start their businesses as IP experts/teachers/executives /consultants or researchers.
- To equip the students and professionals taking this course with the tools to enhance their career in the field of Intellectual Property.





PEDAGOGY

The curriculum of the course reflects the challenges of contemporary intellectual property law and practice. The two-year course is comprehensive in scope and would enable the students of the course to specialize in all three (03) fields of the discipline. The program offers coverage of all the substantive IP regimes and thus, fulfills the need for quality education and training in all IPRs under master's in IPR. The course will be both designed and taught in close collaboration between leading academics and IP practitioners & other IP experts. The Course is designed to be taught in an interactive environment and will use technology to ensure participative lectures, group discussions, simulations, presentations, and audio-visual tools. The participative nature of the Course will also be followed in the evaluation of students via case studies, group discussions, assignments, research projects, and objective tests. Besides testing for knowledge and practical skills, students will also be encouraged to develop their own understanding of the IPR System in India and abroad, with reference to the literature they read and the practical sessions they engage in during the course.

MODE: HYBRID (ONLINE + OFFLINE)

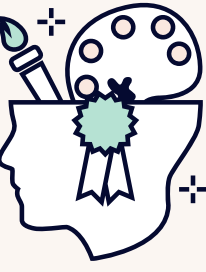
There will be certain physical classes to attend as well which will be notified in advance.

ELIGIBILITY

- Bachelor's Degree or an equivalent Degree in any discipline from any recognized University;
- Candidate must submit their graduation degree at the time of admission.

The course will be open for all persons from anywhere in India or abroad, having the above qualification, and may include students, academic personnel, professionals from various public and private industry sectors, legal professionals, Government officials, persons from the R & D sector, media personnel, etc. This course is intended for students who are familiar with the main contours of intellectual-property law and would like to explore the subject further.





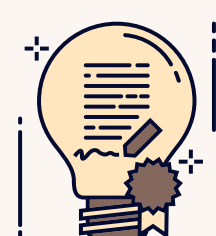
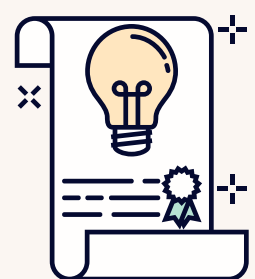
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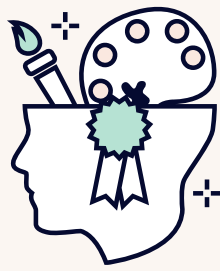
The selection will be made on the basis of the All India Entrance Test which will be conducted in an online mode. The test will contain 50 MCQs of two marks each on the basics of IPR. No negative marking will be there.

No. of Seats: Sixty (60)

DISTRIBUTION OF SEATS UNDER VARIOUS CATEGORIES

CATEGORIES	PERCENTAGE %	M.IPR (60 SEATS)
All India General Category - [A]		23
Maharashtra State Reserved Category - [B]		
Maharashtra State - Schedule Caste	13	08
Maharashtra State - Schedule Tribe	07	04
Maharashtra State		
Denotified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis) (A)	03	02
Nomadic Tribes (B)	2.5	02
Nomadic Tribes (C)	3.5	02
Nomadic Tribes (D)	02	01
MH - Specially Backward Class	02	01
MH - Other Backward Class	19	11
MH- Economically Weaker Section (EWS)	10	06
Total Seats		60





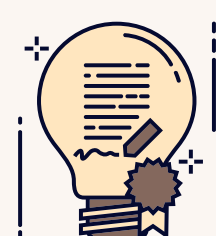
Note: Seat Distribution

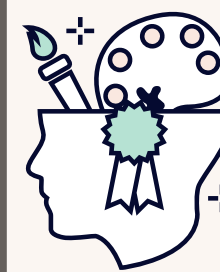
1. The above seat distribution is based on Section 6(1) of the Maharashtra National Law University Act 2014 and Section 4(2) of the Maharashtra State Public Services (Reservation for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis), Nomadic Tribes, Special Backward Category, and Other Backward Classes) Act 2001.
2. Maharashtra EWS seats have been calculated as per Maharashtra GO Raआधो - 4019/प्र.क्र.31/16-अ dated 12.02.2019.
3. Non-Creamy Layer certificate issued by the Govt. of Maharashtra is mandatory for all the Maharashtra Reserved categories except - Scheduled Caste, and Scheduled Tribes.
4. For MH-EWS, a certificate in the prescribed format issued by the Competent Authority of the Maharashtra Government is required.
5. A caste Validity Certificate is required from the candidates admitted under caste-based reservation.

Note: Horizontal Reservations

1. 30% for Women across all categories.
2. 5% seats for Specially Abled Persons (SAP). Certificate of Disability issued by Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India
3. Five (5) % seats of the total sanctioned intake for an institute, shall be reserved for wards of Ex-Servicemen/ Defence Personnel. Ex-Servicemen/ Defence Personnel Certificate from the respective department Unit/ Dept. / HQ/ Records/ RSWO/ ZSWO/ Army/ Navy/ Air Force HQ is required.

Important Note: Admission is dependent upon the fulfillment of the eligibility requirements and submission of required documents. The University reserves the right to cancel the admission anytime if the eligibility requirements are not met or any false document is submitted.





COURSE STRUCTURE

SEMESTER - I

- Paper 01** Introduction to IPR
- Paper 02** International IP Regime
- Paper 03** Indian IPR Regime in pre & Post TRIPS Era
- Paper 04** Patent Law Basics

SEMESTER - II

- Paper 01** Patent Drafting & Claims
- Paper 02** Patent Filing & Related Issues
- Paper 03** Examination, opposition & Grant & Revocation of Patent
- Paper 04** Working of Patents, licensing procedure, Infringement & Appeal of Patent

SEMESTER - III

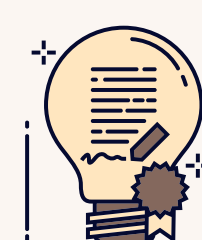
- Paper 01** Introduction to Trademark
- Paper 02** Trademark Registration
- Paper 03** Enforcement, Infringement of TM
- Paper 04** Introduction to Industrial Design and Registration

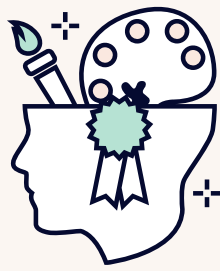
SEMESTER - IV

- Paper 01** Introduction to Copyright and Related Rights
- Paper 02** Understanding Other IPRs & other related laws
- Paper 03** Valuation and Management of IPR
- Paper 04** Dissertation

The duration of the course will be two years after Graduation. The course shall comprise 4 Semesters with 16 papers (including one Dissertation) with each paper of 04 credits i.e., 60 hours of teaching, out of which a few hours will be kept aside for reading, assignments, evaluation, and project work.

Note: Papers may be swapped between the semesters. However, they will not be cancelled from the curriculum.





PROGRAMME FEE

The total fee for 02 Years is ₹ 1,60,000/- (For 1st Year Rs. 80,000/- and For 2nd Year Rs. 80,000/-)

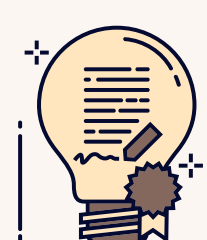
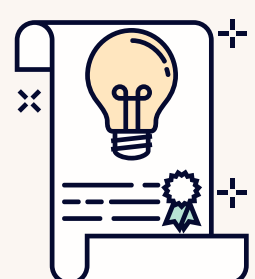
The Application Fee is Rs. 1000/-. The application fee is non-refundable.

Refund Policy:

If the candidate decides to opt-out of the program after paying the First Year Fee of ₹80,000/-, then it shall be refundable, only if notified within 7 days of payment. Rs. 1000/- processing charges will be deducted. However, after 7 days of such payment, no refund shall be made. The request for a refund is to be made by sending an email at mipr@mnlumumbai.edu.in with proof of payment.

Sr. No	Timeline	Date
1.	Release of Application Form	June 2, 2022
2.	Last date for submitting Application Form	October 17, 2022
3.	Entrance Test (Online)	November 01, 2022
4.	Release of Shortlisted & Waitlisted Candidates	November 15, 2022
5.	Orientation Day	December 03, 2022

[Application Form - Click Here](#)





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