LL.M. DEGREE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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Enrollment Services

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There is a strong, persistent demand for well-trained IP lawyers in law firms, in-house legal departments, and government across a range of industries. Many of these firms, industries and agencies have roots in New Jersey or Manhattan. Seton Hall Law School has a long history of offering a wide array of IP courses, and created an IP concentration for J.D. students in 2000. In 2008, the Law School received acquiescence from the American Bar Association to establish an LLM degree in IP law. Seton Hall Law School now provides training beyond the J.D. degree to select students, practitioners and scholars in the growing and increasingly complex IP discipline.

Admission

The Law School seeks to admit highly qualified candidates with a particular interest in IP law, including patent, trademark, copyright and technology law. All candidates must hold a J.D. degree from a law school that is approved by the Section of Legal Education of the American Bar Association or the foreign equivalent from a school of law.

We seek candidates for the LLM program from among attorneys already practicing IP law who wish to increase their exposure to and credentials in the field; attorneys who wish to transition from other practice areas to IP; government officials and regulators who specialize or wish to specialize in IP related issues; and law school graduates who are interested in teaching or other academic or research work relating to IP law. It is possible for students to combine courses from the Health and the IP LLM curricula.

In making its selections, the LLM admissions committee will consider depth of practice experience, quality of law school academic record, demonstrated interest in intellectual property law, and evidenced ability to do superior academic work. In most cases, we highly recommend that a candidate have at least two or three years of practice experience, beyond a judicial clerkship, before commencing the graduate program.

Academic Standing

LLM students must remain in good academic standing throughout the program. View the full academic policy. (https://law.shu.edu/academics/online/mls-llm-academic-policy.html)

Course of Study

LLM candidates must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Completion of 24 credit hours of coursework;
- Completion of a high-quality paper, under the supervision of a fulltime faculty member (3 credits); and
- 3. Maintenance of a GPA of at least 3.0.

LLM candidates may pursue one of five sub-specialties:

- 1. Patent Law and Policy,
- 2. Trademark Law and Policy,
- 3. Copyright Law and Policy,

- 4. Intellectual Property and Life Science Industry, or
- 5. Intellectual Property and Telecommunications Industry

The graduate student's faculty advisor will aid the student in selecting electives appropriate to the student's subspecialty. No credits can be applied from a JD program to the Seton Hall LLM Program, but a student who has taken similar courses in his/her JD program may be excused from taking courses that would otherwise be required for the LLM.

LLM students are encouraged to complete the degree within two years of commencing enrollment in the program, but they have up to six years to do so.

Courses Offered

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses	s *	
Must take all:		12
INDL 8301	Copyright Law	
INDL 8303	Patent Law	
INDL 8302	Trademark and Unfair Comp	
Seminar Pape	r**	
Core Courses		
Select 12 credits		12
INDL 7550	Cybersecurity & Prv I:Lw & Pol	
INDL 7555	Cyber & Prv II: Comp Rsk Mgmt	
INDL 8340	Cybersecurity-Comp Crimes-PS	
INDL 7305	Entertainment Law	
INDL 7313	Entertainment Law: Torts	
INDL 9328	Foundations IP Lw and Pol	
INDL 7304	Information Privacy Law	
INDL 7316	Entertainment Lw:Reg of Ind Pr	
CORP 7180	EU Data Pro and Pv Lw:The GDPR	
INDL 7301	Intellectual Property	
INDL 8317	Technology and IP Licensing	
INDL 9310	Patent App Prep and Pros	
INDL 9305	Patent Claim Drafting	
INDL 7308	Sports Law	
INDL 9322	Trademark Registration	
Total Hours		24

- * In Person only.
- **LL.M. students shall satisfy their advanced writing requirement in a 3-credit AWR seminar taught by a full-time faculty member. The full-time faculty member teaching the AWR seminar shall serve as the LL.M. student's supervisor. The final paper must satisfy the law school's advanced writing requirement.
- **Students may take up to 2 elective courses from another concentration area in place of courses on this list.