The WIPO Summer School on Intellectual Property (IP) is an annual event bringing together students and young professionals from all over the world for intensive learning, sharing and networking. The diversity and background of the students and lecturers make the Summer Schools a truly international forum for discussion and exchange of ideas.

**Objectives**
The Summer School provides an opportunity to acquire a deeper knowledge of IP, including an understanding of IP as a tool for economic, social, cultural and technological development and the role of WIPO as a global service provider for protecting IP, a forum of debate and a platform for the legal development of IP.

**Program**
Except for the specialized Summer School (see Summer School calendar), all Summer Schools share a common curriculum, format and duration. Students will be exposed to various aspects of IP rights, including the international nature of IP protection and the interface between IP and other disciplines. The program includes the following methodologies and takes an interdisciplinary, problem-oriented approach: lectures, case studies, simulation exercises, group discussions on selected IP topics, and panel discussions.

**Topics**
- Introduction to WIPO and New Developments
- International Patent Landscape
- Flexibilities, including Exceptions and Limitations to Patent Rights
- Patent Information and Its Usefulness: A Practical Approach
- Patents and Nanotechnology: Case Study
- International Copyright and Recent Developments
- Exceptions and Limitations to Copyright and Related Rights: Ongoing Debates
- Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights
- Emerging Issues in the Digital Environment
- Copyright and the Public Domain: Case Study
- International Trademark Landscape
- Internet Domain Names and Uniform Dispute Resolution Procedures (UDRP), including cases
- Infringements and Abuses of Marks on the Internet: Case Study
- Protection of Country Names
- Trade Secrets: Issues and Best Practices
- Design Protection and Its Interface with other IP Areas
- Geographical Indications in the Promotion of National Products: Case Study
- Economics of Intellectual Property
- IP Management and Commercialization: Practical Approach
- Intellectual Property Valuation
- Copyright Licensing: A Practical Approach
- Transfer of Technology and Licensing
- Licensing Negotiations: Simulation Exercises
- Intellectual Property and Competition Policy
- Intellectual Property, Green Technology and Climate Change: Issues and Challenges
- Protection of Plant Varieties and the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) Convention
- Intellectual Property and Biodiversity: International Landscape and Current Issues
- Panel Discussion: Intellectual Property and Public Health Issues and Challenges
- Panel Discussion: Traditional Knowledge, Genetic Resources and Traditional Cultural Expressions Towards a Suitable Protection System
- Intellectual Property and Food Security: Issues and Challenges
- Intellectual Property and Biotechnology
- Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (Arbitration/Mediation) in IP Disputes: Simulation Exercises
- Group Discussions on:
  - Technology Transfer in the Field of IP
  - Copyright in the Digital Age
  - Open Innovation-Brands and Branding
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Who may apply?
Interregional in nature, the WIPO Summer Schools Program is aimed at senior students (graduate and post-graduate) from any academic discipline as well as young professionals working in any field in which IP may play a part.

Certificate
A certificate of participation is awarded to participants who successfully complete program requirements.

Distance learning
Except for the specialized Summer School, candidates will be required to successfully complete a special session of the Academy’s distance learning General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101). For the specialized Summer Schools, an appropriate session of the distance learning course will be offered.

Registration fees
For applicants from developing countries and countries with economies in transition:
- Students: US$ 250
- Young professionals: US$ 350
For students and young professionals from developed countries:
- Students: US$ 500
- Young professionals: US$ 700

Scholarships
Scholarships are available for international participants to the Summer Schools taking place in the Republic of Korea (ROK) and South Africa through the funds from the Governments of ROK and Japan, respectively. Scholarships include travel costs.

Travel, accommodation and living expenses
Other than the scholarships above, participants are responsible for their own travel to and from various destinations, as well as accommodation and living expenses during their participation in the program.

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