



# **THE INTERNATIONAL MASTER'S PROGRAM IN PATENT LAW**

**The University of Haifa**

*in collaboration with the*

**World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO Academy)**





*The International Master's Program in Patent Law* at the University of Haifa is a one year academic degree program for scientists and engineers pursuing careers as Patent Agents. This one year executive program is offered at the Haifa Center for Law and Technology (HCLT), a renowned research institute located at the Law Faculty.

The University of Haifa is collaborating with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Academy to provide excellent academic training in intellectual property and business law combined with high-level practical experience in patent drafting, patent application and technology transactions.

This unique comprehensive training provides the necessary background for practicing patent law in a global environment. In addition, an optional thesis track allows graduates to pursue an academic career in the field of Intellectual Property.

Graduates of the program will be trained as Patent Attorneys, Intellectual Property Analysts and IP Managers.

## **INSTITUTION**

*The University of Haifa Law School* has been a pioneer in the area of Law and Technology in Israel. The Haifa Center for Law and Technology, located at the law school, is the only center in Israel which combines academic research and academic training in the area of intellectual property and law and technology. With four full-time faculty members who focus on these areas and numerous research fellows, HCLT offers a wide selection of courses and seminars in intellectual property and information law at the graduate and post graduate level, including a joint degree in Law and Computer Science, LL.B with major in Law and Technology, and LL.M in Law and Technology. The main areas of research and teaching include: Patent Law, Copyright and Information Law.

*The WIPO Academy*, founded in March 1998, is a division of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva mandated by its 184 Member States to provide intellectual property (IP) education and training for human resource development. Since 1998, more than 100,000 students have participated in its five Programs namely, Professional Development, Academic Institutions, Distance Learning, Executive Program and WIPO Summer School.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The program combines excellent academic training in intellectual property and business law with high level practical experience in patent drafting, patent application and technology transactions. This unique comprehensive training provides the necessary background for practicing patent law in a global environment. Graduates of the program will be trained (subject to satisfaction of local patent bar requirements) to practice as Intellectual Property Analysts and IP Managers in large industrial companies, government agencies and patent law firms. The optional thesis track allows graduates to pursue an academic career in the area of intellectual property.

The program runs for 1 calendar year (from January to December).  
Language of teaching is English.

## DEGREE

The program grants a Master degree in Law (M.A.), with specialization in Patent Law.

## CANDIDATES

Holders of a Bachelor Degree in natural sciences, computer science or any field of engineering.

## TRAINING PROGRAM: PATENTS LAW AND PRACTICE

### *Rationale*

The master program in patents offers a comprehensive training in patent law and practice. It is designed to provide graduates of science and engineering with an introduction to law, intellectual property law, and patent law. It is also intended to provide lawyers who wish to work as IP managers or specialize in intellectual property law and patent law with the necessary expertise. Accomplished students would further be able to engage in cutting edge research in patent law and pursue a master thesis or a PhD.

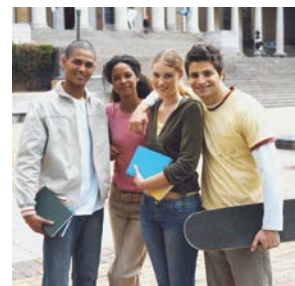
### *General Structure of the Training Program*

The program includes the following features:

- 1) Introductory courses in law\*
- 2) Introductory courses in intellectual property law
- 3) Advanced courses in patent law

\* holders of a law degree are exempted from these courses

All courses will incorporate the theoretical and doctrinal foundations of the legal regime as well as the practical aspects of the particular areas of law.



## ***Curriculum***

### ***Introduction to Law***

Course	Instructor	Credits
Jurisprudence	Dr. Yovel	4
Introduction to Contract Law	Dr. Adar	4
Introduction to Public Law	Dr. Sagy	4
Introduction to the Legal System	Dr. Sagy	2

### ***Introduction to Intellectual Property***

Course	Instructor	Credits
Introduction to Intellectual Property Law	Prof. Elkin-Koren	4
Introduction to Patent Law	Dr. Benoliel	6

### ***Advanced Courses in Patent Law***

Course	Instructor	Credits
IP Licensing and Competition Law	Prof. Michal Gal	4
	Lecturer from aboard	4
IP Enforcement	Adv. Eran Bareket	4
IP and Business Entrepreneurship	Dr. Sara Lev	4
Patent Drafting	Patent Agents	8

### ***Seminars***

Course	Instructor	Credits
Empiric Seminar	Prof. Perry & Dr. Gazal-Eyal	4
Patents in Research	Prof. Elkin-Koren	4

## VISITING PROFESSORS

Each year, the program invites leading Global law professors from around the world to teach at Haifa Law School.

### *Year 2009*

[Prof. Martin J. Adelman](#) - Professor of Intellectual Property and Technology Law, The George Washington University

[Prof. Rochelle C. Dreyfuss](#) - Pauline Newman Professor of Law, NYU

### WIPO EXPERTS

[Mr. Denis Cohen](#) - Head/senior lecturer, Wipo Worldwide Academy

[Mr. Matthias Reischle](#) - Deputy Director and Head, PCT Legal Affairs Section

[Mr. Erik Wilbers](#) - Acting Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center

### *Year 2010*

[Prof. Dan L. Bruk](#) - University of Minnesota

[Prof. Joseph Straus](#) - Max Planck Institute, Germany

[Prof. Heinz Goddar](#) and [Prof. Christian Osterrieth](#) – Germany

### WIPO EXPERTS

[Debbie Ronning](#) – Director Legal and Promotion Division, International Registries of Madrid and Lisbon

[Mr. André Ntamack](#) - Head Legal and Promotion Division, International Registries of Madrid and Lisbon



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