



Master Programme in Intellectual Property Law 2018/2019



60 CREDITS
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CAMPUS 100%

The Master Programme in Intellectual Property Law is the only Master's programme in Sweden designed for law graduates that delves into the regulation of intellectual property. With rapid technological advancements and ever increasing legal developments, this programme will enable you to stay ahead of the crowd, whether you wish to progress as an e-commerce entrepreneur, patent attorney, trademark specialist or the chief legal officer of a company.

You will be studying at Sweden's oldest university and at a faculty that has a history spanning more than 500 years.

Intellectual Property Law is becoming increasingly important in our knowledge-based society that focuses on innovation and information. Economic progress depends on the possibility to legally protect, and develop, intellectual assets.

WHY THIS PROGRAMME?

The Master Programme in Intellectual Property Law has a general objective of providing a deep understanding of major issues covering international and EU intellectual property law, and in particular copyright, patents, designs and trademarks. This is an area that has grown both in importance and complexity as reflected in the increased focus on intellectual property protection and its value as a corporate asset. On top of that, over the years intellectual property law has become increasingly interdisciplinary having key interfaces with market, competition, contract and tort law.

This programme is designed for those of you who wish to deepen your understanding of intellectual property law, whether you are qualified, practicing lawyers who wish to improve your knowledge of this area of law, students who wish to proceed into post-graduate education to further your specialisation, or someone who works in areas influenced by intellectual property law and are interested in the area.

DEGREE

The programme leads to a Master of Laws (60 credits) LLM with Legal Science as the main field of study.

Programme

The Master Programme in Intellectual Property Law encompasses a total of 60 credits.

The programme is divided into three modules. You must take a compulsory 7.5 credit course (module 1), which is a general course focusing on the fundamentals of EU intellectual property law. Thereafter, you specialise in specific areas of EU intellectual property law by three courses in trademark law, copyright and patent law worth 7.5 credits each (module 2). The final component of the programme teaches you legal scientific methods and you will write a thesis worth 30 credits. You should decide the subject of the thesis on your own in dialogue with a teacher responsible for a given area, who will also serve as supervisor.

COURSES WITHIN THE PROGRAMME

Module 1

Advanced Intellectual Property Law (7,5 credits)

Introduction

International Conventions and Treaties

Copyright Law

Patent Law

Design Law

Trademark Law

Overlapping Protection

Contracting Intellectual Property

Competition Law and Parallel Importation

Module 2

Specialisation: three courses á 7.5 credits:

Advanced Trademark Law

Copyright Protection in the Digital Society

Patent Law and Pharmaceuticals

Module 3

Legal scientific methods and independent work (30 credits)

LEARNING EXPERIENCE

The language of instruction is English. Teaching is mainly conducted in the form of seminars and lectures. Attendance at seminars is, in principle, compulsory however some absence can be accepted. Absence may not exceed 20% of the teaching time.

As a student of the Master Programme in Intellectual Property Law you are expected to prepare for seminars and actively participate in discussions. Shorter writing exercises are also part of the curriculum.

Career

As intellectual property law plays a central role in the knowledge-based economy which characterises our society, there is a great demand for lawyers with special competence in the area. This programme will give you a competitive edge on the employment market.

The objective of the programme is the provision of a qualitative and competitive education and students should be able to present advanced competence in intellectual property law. On successful completion of the programme you can proceed to a career in several different areas, such as research and education, governmental agencies, law firms and patent offices, international companies and in the judiciary.

Admissions

MASTER PROGRAMME IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

60 credits

Autumn 2018 - 100 % - Campus

Location: Uppsala

Application Deadline: 2018-01-15

Enrolment Code: UU-M2813

Language of Instruction: English

Requirements:

Academic requirements

A Bachelor's degree, equivalent to a Swedish

Kandidatexamen, from an internationally recognised university. The main field of study must be Law or Legal Science.

Also required is 15 credits in intellectual property law, or equivalent, documented knowledge.

Language requirements

All applicants need to verify English language proficiency.

This is normally attested by an internationally recognised test such as TOEFL or IELTS with the following minimum scores:

- IELTS: an overall mark of 6.5 and no section below 5.5
- TOEFL: Paper-based: Score of 4.5 (scale 1–6) in written test and a total score of 575. Internet-based: Score of 20 (scale 0–30) in written test and a total score of 90
- Cambridge: CAE, CPE

Exemptions for students from certain countries.

Selection: Students are selected based on:

- a total appraisal of quantity and quality of previous university studies;
- CV;
- a statement of purpose; and
- two letters of recommendation.

Fees: If you are not a citizen of a European Union (EU) or European Economic Area (EEA) country, or Switzerland, you are required to pay application and tuition fees. Read more about fees.

Application Fee: SEK 900

Tuition fee, first semester: SEK 50000

Tuition fee, total: SEK 100000

Contact and further resources

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