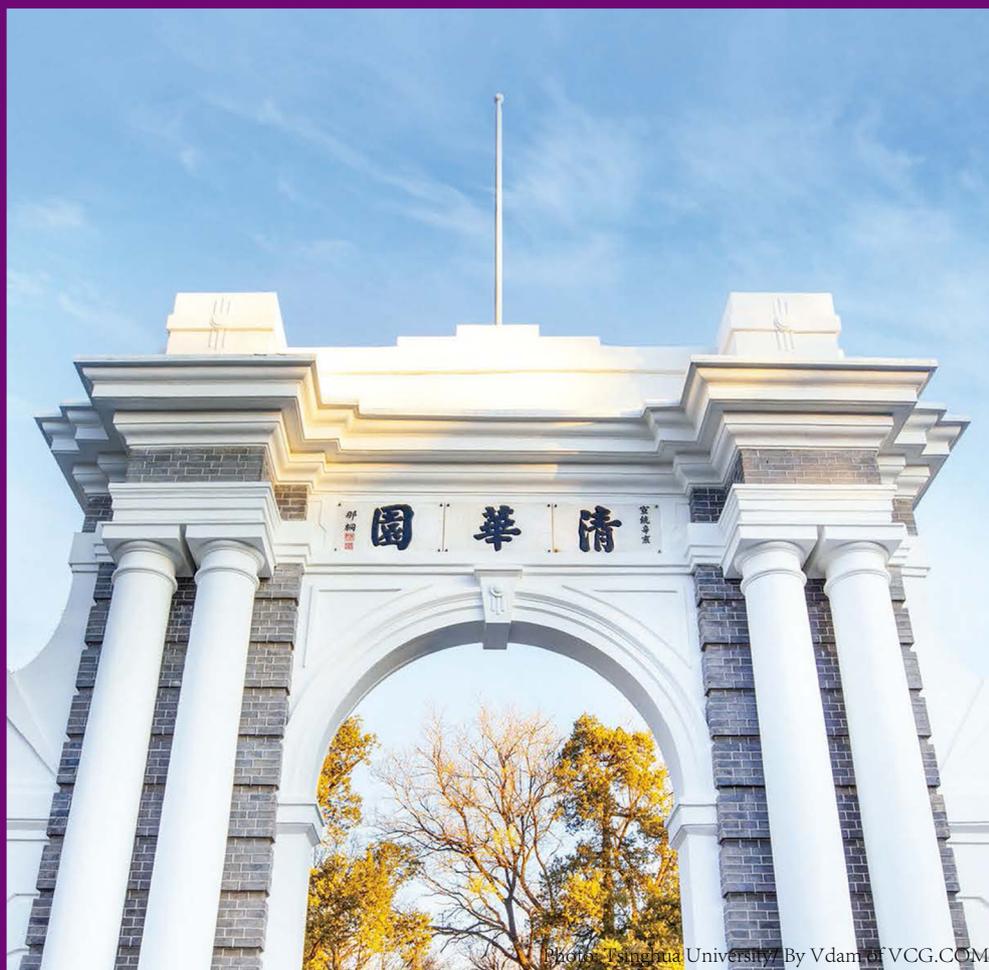




清華大學
Tsinghua University



Master's Degree Program in Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy Program Brochure

Jointly offered by
Tsinghua University
and
World Intellectual Property Organization

Why Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy

Future leaders in the intellectual property (IP) field should not only grasp the fundamental principles and cutting-edge knowledge of intellectual property law but also deeply understand the operational mechanisms of innovation policies across society. In general, without the strong support of innovation policies, the intellectual property system alone cannot ensure the effective conduct of basic research, the rapid spread of knowledge, and fairness in the market environment. It is vital to understand that in a developing society, the intellectual property system and government innovation policies must complement and cooperate to help society achieve higher innovation efficiency, reduce the social costs related to protecting private rights, and better balance social goals such as incentivizing innovation, fair competition, distributive justice, and sustainable development. Focusing on “Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy”, the Tsinghua University (THU)-World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) joint Program guides students through the rich and diverse frontier theories and industry practices to prepare them for leading the future of the intellectual property industry.



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Tsinghua University and the WIPO Academy

About the Partners

Tsinghua University



Tsinghua University, one of China's most prestigious and influential universities, is committed to pursuing education and research at the highest level of excellence by developing innovative solutions that help solve pressing problems in China and the world. It currently has 22 schools and 59 departments, including science, engineering, medicine, law, economics, humanities, history, philosophy, management, education, and art.

The discipline of law is one of the key disciplines that Tsinghua University prioritizes for development and construction, and the discipline of law in Tsinghua is also a discipline supported by the National "Double First-Class" Initiative, which aims to build world-class universities and disciplines in China. The Law School is committed to cultivating high-end legal talents with global competitiveness and regards promoting the rule of law in China as its core mission. It is China's first law school offering an English-taught LLM in Chinese Law program. The Law School's intellectual property faculty enjoys a solid academic reputation and social influence in China. It has been providing courses for students at all levels, from undergraduate elective courses to master's and doctoral mandatory courses. The programs at

Tsinghua emphasize the interdisciplinary integration of law with natural and social sciences and value the combination of cutting-edge theories and latest practices, which are aimed at cultivating intellectual property leaders with profound theoretical knowledge and broad academic vision.

Tsinghua University School of Law at <http://www.law.tsinghua.edu.cn>

World Intellectual Property Organization



World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is the global forum for intellectual property (IP) services, policy, information and cooperation. It is a self-funded agency of the United Nations, with 193 member states. It helps governments, businesses and society realize the benefits of IP; provides global services to protect IP across borders, and resolves IP-related disputes. It delivers capacity-building programs to enable all countries to use IP for economic, social and cultural development.

The WIPO Academy is the centre of excellence of IP education, training and skills-building for WIPO member states, in particular developing countries, least-developed countries (LDCs) and countries in transition. The Academy works to help build human capacity in IP, which is essential to innovation. The aim of the University Partnerships program is to support access to IP higher education, especially to participants from developing countries, LDCs and countries in transition. One of the main means of achieving this aim is through the Joint Masters/ LL.M. Programs on IP, offered in cooperation with selected academic institutions.

WIPO Academy at <http://www.wipo.int/academy/en/>

Overview of the Program

Our Joint Master's Program in Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy is developed for participants seeking to deepen their knowledge and understanding of the intersection between intellectual property and innovation policy. The program is based at Tsinghua University School of Law and is supported by the Beijing Municipal Government and China National Intellectual Property Administration.

This program aims to cultivate high-end intellectual property talents with international vision, humanistic spirit, and interdisciplinary backgrounds and to promote intellectual property protection and innovation policies in the community with a shared future for humankind.

Language: English

Tuition fees: 146K RMB approximately 20.4K USD

Degree awarding: Students will be awarded a Juris Master Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy by Tsinghua University.

Accommodations: The University provides on-campus dormitory rooms shared by two or three students with extra housing fees. The Law school can recommend off-campus accommodations within walking distance. Plenty of dining halls, cafes, and convenience shops are on campus.



Why this Program

Based on the rapid development of scientific and technological innovation and intellectual property protection practice in China, and with the help of WIPO's rich experience in intellectual property personnel training, this program is designed to build a globally attractive platform for high-quality intellectual property education and academic exchanges.

The program will:

- Enhance comprehension of fundamental theories, advanced knowledge, and management practices within the realm of intellectual property and innovation policies;
- Help students acquire insights from China's experience as a global innovation leader and develop a global perspective on navigating legal and policy challenges;
- Enhance the ability of students to handle intellectual property legal and management affairs.

About the Faculty

The faculty of the THU-WIPO Program consists primarily of professors from Tsinghua University School of Law and other schools, experts from the WIPO Academy, visiting professors from internationally renowned universities, experts from the government and judicial system, legal practitioners from major law firms and multinational corporations. With broad theoretical horizons in law and social sciences and vast practical experience, the faculty will offer a multi-level quality curriculum around the theme of intellectual property and



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innovation policy, covering a wide range of topics, including fundamental intellectual property theory, innovation economics and policy, intellectual property licensing and management, intellectual property agency and litigation, intellectual property in cyberspace, data and artificial intelligence governance, and intellectual property and antitrust regulation.

Program Structure

Courses	Credits	Language
FALL SEMESTER		
MANDATORY COURSES (For all Master's Degree Programs) (7 Credits)		
Basic Chinese Language	2	EN
Introduction to China	3	EN
Chinese Legal History	2	EN
MANDATORY COURSES (For IPIP Program) (≥9 Credits)		
Selected Topics in Civil Law: Property, Contracts and Torts	3	EN
IP and Creative Industries (Selected Topics in Copyright Law)	3	EN/CN
ELECTIVE COURSES (≥8 Credits)		
Intellectual Property and Research Methodology (Selected Topics in IP Law, Faculty-led Reading Group)	3	EN
IP Management and Licensing	3	EN
International Intellectual Property Law (International IP Treaties)	3	EN
Patent Prosecution and Litigation (Patent Agency)	2	EN/CN
Internet Regulation (Internet Governance)	3	EN
Comparative Patent Law	3	EN
Comparative Copyright Law	3	EN
Advanced Topics on Law and Technology	2	EN
SPRING SEMESTER		
MANDATORY COURSES (For IPIP Program) (≥9 Credits)		
Technological Innovation and IP (Selected Topics in Patent Law)	3	EN/CN
Trademark and Branding (Trademark Law & Anti-unfair Competition)	3	EN/CN
Innovation Economics and Policy	3	EN
ELECTIVE COURSES (≥8 Credits)		
Trade Secrets Law	2	EN
IP Law in Cyberspace	3	CN
IP and Antitrust (including Standard-setting and SEP licensing)	2	EN
Data and AI Governance	2	EN
IP and Public Health	2	EN
Advanced Topics on Intellectual Property (Selected Topics on Comparative IP Law; AI, Finance Tech, and others)	3	EN
Comparative Trademark Law	3	EN
International E-commerce Law	2	EN
MANDATORY DEGREE PAPER (<i>Research Component</i>)		
Students are required to write a thesis on an IP-related topic under the guidance of a faculty member.		
Notes: The courses listed above may change according to the instructors' availability and students' demand.		

Application for Admission

Admission requirements

International applicants shall hold a bachelor's degree in law with excellent academic performance and good English communication skills. Non-native English speakers must meet the minimum English proficiency requirement: IELTS:6.0/TOEFL:90.

Entry requirements for domestic applicants:

Chinese nationals are enrolled in accordance with the requirements of Tsinghua LL.M. and JM programs.

Entry requirements for foreign nationals:

Foreign nationals need to submit an application through the Tsinghua International Graduate Program Online Application Service System. Supporting materials include a detailed resume, a copy of all academic records, two letters of recommendation, a written personal statement, and other relevant documents. After reviewing all applications, the School of Law will organize an online interview for qualified applicants.

Application website

<https://yzbm.tsinghua.edu.cn/intlLogin>

More details and updated information are available on the WIPO Academy and Tsinghua University websites: www.wipo.int/academy, www.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/

Important dates

Application start date: October 15, 2024

Application closing date: May 1, 2025

Date of registration: end of August, 2025

Start of semester: September 1, 2025

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