



## Intellectual Property Law

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Intellectual property (IP) is a complex and wide ranging subject. It encompasses such diverse areas as science and engineering, art and literature, advertising, music, product design and trademarks and trade reputations. This first module in IP will introduce you to the main areas of intellectual property, namely patents, trademarks and copyright, highlighting areas which are of special interest either because of their subject-matter, their economic significance or their legal/social implications.

The second module will move on to more specialist area of IP, such as access to medicines, patents and the life sciences, geographical indications and copyright and the internet. These subject areas will be studied from a national, regional and international perspective.

A supervised dissertation in an IP area of your choice completes the programme.

The LLM in Intellectual Property Law will generally be taught in a combination of lectures and seminars. The lecture provides the key information and the seminar develop these ideas and issues further utilising a problem-based approach. This gives a deeper understanding of the issues.

Students will also benefit from our vibrant research environment with a number of events and external speakers organised by the research groups such as the Institute for Corporate and Commercial Law, and the Centre for Ethics and Law in the Life Sciences.

### Core Modules

- Introduction to Intellectual Property Law
- Advanced Issues in International Intellectual Property Law

### Optional modules (include)\*

- Artificial Intelligence and IP
- Introduction to Corporate Governance
- Competition Law
- International Commercial Dispute Resolution
- International Investment Law
- International Trade Law and Policy
- International Tax Law

*\*Not all modules will run every year.*

I could not have imaged what my time Durham would be like. I have truly enjoyed my time at Durham University as the course has definitely been challenging, but it is an experience I will always cherish. The teaching has also enabled me to think critically about contemporary legal issues.

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