# The Faculty of Law Masters Degree in patent drafting (MA)

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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 in collaboration with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Academy provides excellent academic training in IP 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, IP Analysts and IP Managers (subject to satisfaction of local patent bar requirements) in large industrial companies, government agencies and patent law firms.

## The program is aimed for both Israeli and International students and will be conducted in English

#### **Academic Program**

The program combines excellent academic training in intellectual property and business law with high level practical experience in patent drafting, patent applications and technology transactions. Training is provided by leading international experts from academia and practice. The training includes introductory courses in law for non-lawyers and courses and seminars in intellectual property: Introduction to IP, Patent Law, Patent Drafting, IP Enforcement, IP Licensing and Antitrust, International Aspects of IP, and IP and Entrepreneurship. The program further offers research seminars, which provide students the opportunity to engage in empirical study of patent related issues.

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 January).

### **Application Requirements**

- Candidates will be expected to possess at least a Bachelor Degree in natural sciences, computer science, pharmacy or any field of engineering. Candidates with a Bachelor Degree in Law (LLB) will also be considered.
- A minimum 3.0 GPA or an 80% average
- A minimum 80% grade on the TOEFL exam (students who have graduated from an academic institute where the language of instruction was English will be exempted from this requirement)
- At least one academic references.
- Curriculum Vitae

#### Degree

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