

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Students in our intellectual property concentration investigate key issues relating to patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets.

These students have an opportunity to develop a firm grounding in a variety of IP fields by exploring diverse topics that include trademarks & copyrights in the digital age, computer and internet law, patent litigation, sports law, and video game law.

They also have an opportunity to participate in an externship within a law firm or corporate legal department to gain practical experience regarding the types of intellectual property work that lawyers do, and to gain hands-on insight in regard to protecting the creative works of artists, musicians, and inventors.

For specific information on the program offerings, please contact:

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Intellectual Property Concentration

Co-requisite

In order to complete the intellectual property concentration, a student must take Administrative Law (LAWS 114) prior to graduation. Credit for that course does not count toward the 18-credit concentration requirement.

Requirements:

To receive the certificate for this concentration, a student must earn 18 intellectual property–related credits from the following list. Please note that some courses are offered every other year.

Code	Title	Credits
LAWS 116	Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices	3
LAWS 117	Trademarks and Copyright in the Digital Age	2
LAWS 292	Independent Research Project W	2
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LAWS 329	Communications Laws	3
LAWS 331	Intellectual Property	3-4
LAWS 332	Patent Law	2
LAWS 333	Advanced Patents	2-3
LAWS 335	Patent Litigation	2
LAWS 344	Law, Science and Technology	3
LAWS 349	Antitrust	3-4
LAWS 350	Health Care Antitrust	3-4
LAWS 409	Drug and Device Law	2-3
LAWS 417	Intellectual Property Externship ¹	2-5
LAWS 437	Computer and Internet Law	2
LAWS 506	Entertainment Law	2

LAWS 509	Sports Law	2
LAWS 596	Franchise Law	3
LAWS 633	Intellectual Property in Life Science	2
LAWS 674	Video Game Law	2
LAWS 707	Patent Practice & Procedure Exp Patent Practice & Proc. Exp	2-3

¹ An IP externship may provide up to five additional credits with approval by the concentration director. Independent research credit with an intellectual property emphasis is also available with written approval by the concentration director and the supervising professor. IP-related courses taken at other law schools or in other QU departments may be counted for up to six credits toward the IP concentration certificate with the approval of the concentration director.

1. Writing Requirement

Students must write a substantial paper—or a series of shorter papers that together comprise the equivalent of a substantial paper—on a topic or topics related to intellectual property.

To qualify for substantial paper credit, the paper must be submitted to the concentration director for review.

2. Opt-Out Option

A student may designate any course or paper as not counting toward the concentration, so long as it is not required for the concentration and the student meets the concentration requirements with another course or paper.

3. Waiver

The concentration director and the associate dean for academic affairs may waive any requirements for the concentration if they agree to do so.