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- Taught in English
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**Our Curriculum**

- **Introductory Module (optional)**
  - Introduction to Legal Systems
  - Introduction to IP
  - Introduction to Competition Law

- **Basic Modules (mandatory)**
  - Patent Law and Related Topics
  - European Patent Law
  - Legal Research and Writing
  - Jurisdiction and Conflict of Laws

- **Basic Trademark Law and Related Topics**
  - European Trademark Law
  - U.S. Trademark Law
  - Regulatory Framework for Trademarks

- **Basic Cross-Cutting Issues**
  - European and U.S. Legal Systems
  - European and U.S. Legal Institutions
  - Corporate and Competition Law
  - Protection of Geographical Indications

**Elective Courses**

- From the different advanced modules include:
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**Our Teaching Method**

- The teaching method at the MIPLC is focused on case studies, problem-solving, and the practical application of knowledge, with special emphasis on research, collaboration, and interdisciplinary skills. Students can test and practice their skills in simulated court cases and workshops.

**Our Librarians**

- The MIPLC’s library holds more than 200,000 volumes. They also provide access to legal databases and to the Max Planck Institute’s IP library holding more than 20,000 volumes. They also benefit from individual and group tutorial sessions.

**Our Tutors**

- Our Tutors are the main point of contact for all students throughout the academic year for a host of other issues. The administrative offices are on the same floor as the student offices, which provide quick access and easy interaction.

**Our Library**

- The MIPLC’s library is a comprehensive IP library, providing excellent access and easy interaction.

**Our Facilities**

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**Our Students**

- For the duration of their studies, our students are immersed in an international environment with whom they can exchange course content and pose for exchange. Our tutors, many of whom are MIPLC graduates, are usually researchers or researchers and, therefore, exchange information and insights with the students on a regular basis.

**Our Internships**

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- Our tutors mentor students individually and in small groups, guaranteeing quick access and easy interaction.

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The University of Augsburg, founded in 1970, is home to a strong and growing law school and a host of international cooperations.

The Technische Universität München, named an Excellence University in 2006, is one of Germany’s top research universities for engineering and other technological studies. It contributes resources of its outstanding business school to the MIPLC.

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MIPLC graduates enjoy excellent career opportunities with a wide range of potential employers. Our alumni have established or achieved careers as IP attorneys or patent attorneys in major law firms, or as IP advisors to DPUs, (TTAB), or as high officials in IP management in private industry. (China) or are pursuing Ph.D. degrees at universities or in internships with the MIPLC.

The more than 300 members of the MIPLC Alumni Network form a close-knit community open to counsel, advice, mentorship, and connect each other professionally.

Admission Requirements

1. A Bachelor's Degree (or equivalent). While most of our students hold a previous degree in law, natural sciences, or engineering, we also welcome students from other disciplines.

2. At least one year of professional experience acquired after the first university or college degree.

3. Very good knowledge of English. At least 170 points on the TOEFL IBT test (internet-based test), 523 or 687 points on the TOEFL paper-based test, or a minimum grade of 6.0 on the Cambridge CPE.

The intake is limited to 38 students per year. The tuition fee for the entire year of studies is 32,000 Euros.

It was a great international and intercultural experience to study at MIPLC, where I had the opportunity to meet and network with current and future IP professionals from all over the world. Learning the US and the European patent law from renowned patent attorneys and chief judges brought the courtroom into the classroom. It was exciting to have as professors the persons actually shaping worldwide IP law!

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