

National University of Study and Research in Law (NUSRL), Ranchi



CENTRE FOR STUDY AND RESEARCH IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (CSRIPR)

VIRTUAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

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INTRODUCTION

10 SEATS RESERVED EACH FOR INTERNATIONAL AND NON-LAW STUDENTS!!!

ABOUT NUSRL

NUSRL has been established by an Act of the State Legislature prompted by the vision of the constitutional forefathers that the law, legal system and legal institutions have an overarching role for the human, social, political and economic development of the nation. Law is one of the Social processes having the maximum filtering capacity of societal processes is sinew for healthier growth of democracy and constitutional rule of law.

The Centre for Study and Research in Intellectual Property Rights (CSRIPR), a premier institution in North India, is dedicated to advancing knowledge and research in Intellectual Property Law (IPR). Established to meet the growing need for expertise in this area, CSRIPR offers an intensive one-month internship program aimed at equipping students with practical insights and a comprehensive understanding of the socio-legal implications of IPR.

Guidelines for the Internship

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide prospective interns with a clear understanding of the program's structure, objectives, expectations, and selection process. CSRIPR aims to nurture the next generation of legal experts in the field of Intellectual Property by offering hands-on experience, guided research, and professional mentoring.





ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The CSRIPR internship is open to motivated students who meet the following criteria:

- Law Students: Applicants must be currently pursuing Undergraduate or Postgraduate legal studies at a college or university recognised by competent authority or any other prestigious institution, either within India or internationally.
- Science Students: Total of 10 students are reserved for Non- Law backgrounds .B. Tech, MTech, BSc, MSc, MBBS, MS, MD, etc, who are pursuing their studies in science and allied fields, can also apply for the internship to gain insights and integration of IPR with the advancement of the respective fields.
- Students Interested in IPR: Applicants should have a demonstrated interest in the field of Intellectual Property Law and be eager to explore its socio-legal dimensions, including the impact of intellectual property on society, technology, and economics.
- There will be two cohorts of people for this internship, i.e., National & International (10 slots in the batch shall be reserved for International students), and they will be exclusive but will come for exchanges on relevant co-sharing domains of knowledge.

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SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process for the CSRIPR internship is thorough and competitive. It involves two primary stages and the final stage:

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CV Submission and Screening:

- Candidates must submit a well-drafted Curriculum Vitae (CV) that highlights their academic achievements, legal experiences (if any), areas of interest in Intellectual Property, and any relevant co-curricular activities or internships, with the pdf attachments of the certifying documents.
- The CV should also reflect a clear understanding of Intellectual Property Law and demonstrate why the candidate is an ideal fit for this internship.
- The CV review will serve as the first stage of filtering, with only shortlisted candidates moving on to the next phase.
- It must be noted that the links provided in the CV should be accessible. Inaccessible links will not be accepted.

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Second Round

- Candidates who pass the first round will be required to submit a write up of 500 words on the current trending nuances of IPR, which shall demonstrate their strength in the subject as well as research skills.
- In this round, candidates will be short-listed based on <u>a ratio of 1:10</u> for the final round of the internship process.

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Interview Round

Short-listed candidates will be invited for an interview. This is a key aspect of the selection process, as it assesses the candidate's passion, knowledge, and readiness for the internship.

• Presentation: Prior to the interview, candidates will be required to give a presentation based on the write up they submitted for the second round related to Intellectual Property Law, before a panel.

This three-stage process will finalise the order of merit (OM) of the prospect internees who are motivated and have demonstrated their capability, post which a list of students selected and waitlisted candidates will be notified and in case of vacancies for any reason the waitlisted students will be facilitated for the internship.





INTERNSHIP DURATION AND WORK PLAN

The CSRIPR internship spans one month, during which interns will undertake intensive research and participate in various academic activities designed to enhance their understanding of Intellectual Property Law.

Selected candidates will receive a work plan for the whole month which will include their submission dates, deadlines as well as session schedules. it will be expected of the candidates to strictly adhere with the workplan provided at the beginning of the internship. Any reservation for any academic engagement on part of interns should be clearly stated with attached proof, at the beginning of the internship programme. Any reservations asked later shall not be permitted, except upon the discretion of the organising Committee. Candidates will also be provided with a list of sub-themes at commencement of the internship and the candidates will be asked to submit three titles in area of their choice from the given list and present it to the board on the first day of internship, i.e., after the orientation day, for provisional approval of the research paper title subject to amenability in compliance with the theme in the most appropriate manner.

Candidates who successfully complete the requirements within the initial four weeks will be eligible for a two-week extension. During this extended period, students will have the opportunity for one-on-one consultations with mentors between 4:00 PM and 9:00 PM. These sessions are intended to help students refine their research activities to align with publication standards. Only such work will be considered for publication. Others will receive a certificate of internship completion.

Topic Selection Criteria

Interns are expected to demonstrate critical thinking and legal acumen in their research topic, which will guide their study throughout the program.

Mode of Working

The internship will be virtual and will follow a structured work plan that ensures smooth progress, transparency, and accountability at every stage.





THEMES FOR THE RESEARCH TOPIC

- 1. Al-Generated Trade marks
- 2. Biotech Patents and Public Health
- 3. Blockchain and IP Rights
- 4. Competition Law and Patents
- 5. Consumer Behaviour & Trademark
- 6. Copyright in the Digital Age
- 7. Digital Rights Management (DRM)
- 8. Ethics of Gene Patenting
- 9. Geographical Indications in Trade
- 10. Global IP Treaties and TRIPS
- 11. IPR and AI in Neuroscience
- 12. IPR and Cultural Heritage
- 13. IP and Data Privacy
- 14. IP Enforcement in E-Commerce
- 15. IP in Creative Industries
- 16. IP in Space Exploration
- 17. IP in Virtual Reality and AR
- 18. IPR in Trade Agreements
- 19. IP Law in Emerging Technologies
- 20. IP Law and Social Justice





THEMES FOR THE RESEARCH TOPIC

- 21. Nanotechnology and Patents
- 22. Open Source Licensing
- 23. Software Patent Challenges
- 24. Standard Essential Patents
- 22. Trademark and Brand Strategy
- 22. Trade Secrets in the Digital Era





SUBMISSION TO APPROVAL WORKFLOW:

- Interns will start by presenting their research proposal, followed by regular check-ins with their supervisors to assess progress.
- The workflow will involve specific milestones, such as the submission of drafts, feedback sessions, and final submission.
- Each stage must be approved by the assigned supervisor to ensure the research is on track and meets the required standards.

TRACKING AND COMMUNICATION:

- A progress tracking system will be implemented, allowing interns and supervisors to monitor the intern's work at each stage.
- Supervisors will provide regular feedback and guidance to help interns overcome challenges and refine their research.
- Clear and open lines of communication will be maintained through email,
 virtual meetings, and other digital tools to facilitate timely updates.
- No personal e-Mails or messages to the Faculty Convenors or Internship Coordinators will be

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INTERN RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

Interns participating in the CSRIPR program are expected to fulfill the following responsibilities:

• <u>Conduct Independent Research</u>: Interns are required to engage in indepth legal research on their chosen topic, exploring statutory provisions, case laws, and international treaties relevant to Intellectual Property.

Research must focus not only on the legal framework but also on the broader societal, economic, and technological impacts of IPR.

• <u>Interactive Learning:</u> Interns will participate in interactive sessions with legal scholars, practitioners, and industry experts. These sessions provide valuable opportunities to seek guidance, resolve doubts, and gain insights from professionals actively working in the field.

These sessions will also cover emerging trends in IPR, challenges in enforcement, and international developments.

• <u>Compliance and Quality Control</u>: All research papers and submissions must adhere to strict guidelines on plagiarism and Al compliance. Any form of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated.

Drafts will undergo checks for originality, legal articulation, and content accuracy to ensure they meet the high standards expected by the Centre.

FINAL RESEARCH REPORT

Interns are required to submit a final research report or presentation at the end of the internship. This report will reflect the intern's research findings, analysis, and conclusions drawn from their study.

The report must demonstrate an understanding of the socio-legal aspects of the topic and provide practical insights or recommendations for policymakers, legal practitioners, or industry stakeholders.





EVALUATION AND FEEDBACK

The intern's performance will be assessed based on several criteria:

- Research Depth and Originality: The thoroughness of the research and the intern's ability to present original insights into complex legal issues will be key aspects of evaluation.
- Feedback Incorporation: Interns are expected to show a willingness to incorporate feedback from supervisors and mentors, refining their work as needed to improve the quality of their research.
- Presentation and Articulation: Interns will be evaluated on their ability to present their research findings effectively, whether through written reports or oral presentations. This includes the clarity of arguments, legal reasoning, and the practical relevance of their conclusions.

COMPLETION & CERTIFICATION

Upon the successful completion of the internship, interns will receive:

- 1. A Certificate of Completion, acknowledging their participation in the CSRIPR Internship Program.
- 2.Exceptional interns may receive letters of recommendation, based on their performance and contribution during the internship.





CODE OF CONDUCT

All interns must adhere to the following standards:

- 1. **Professionalism:** Interns must demonstrate professionalism in all interactions with supervisors, mentors, and peers.
- 2. **Timeliness:** Interns are expected to meet deadlines and manage their time efficiently throughout the internship.
- 3. Confidentiality: Any information shared during the internship must be kept confidential, particularly when dealing with sensitive legal matters or proprietary information.
- 4. **Punctuality**: Participants are expected to maintain strict punctuality for all sessions.
- 5. Engagement: Active and serious participation is required during interactive sessions. Avoid distractions and refrain from offering trivial excuses for lack of involvement.
- 6. Attendance: Attendance at every interactive session is mandatory. In exceptional and unavoidable circumstances, absence may be considered only if supported by valid documentary evidence. Such cases will be reviewed, and approval will be granted solely for emergencies or extreme exigencies.
- 7. Consequences of Absence: Accumulating three or more absence will result in a review of the participant's grades. Repeated violations or lack of adherence to the code of conduct may lead to reconsideration of the issuance of certificates.

The CSRIPR internship offers a unique opportunity to gain practical knowledge and insight into the evolving field of Intellectual Property Law. With a focus on both academic rigor and real-world application, the internship is designed to develop the skills, knowledge, and critical thinking necessary for a successful career in IPR. Interns will have the chance to contribute to meaningful legal research, engage with leading experts, and emerge with a deeper understanding of the socio-legal aspects of Intellectual Property.





TIMELINE

15th August

Deadline for Application

22nd August

(Tentative) Interview Round Begins

28th August

(Tentative) Release of Selected Candidates' List

30th August

Confirmation of the Internship (by the internee)

1st September

Commencement of Internship

30th September

End of Internship





ADDITIONAL DETAILS

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Application Form

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