UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

School of Law

LLM IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY LAW

A MASTER OF LAWS PROGRAM FOR FOREIGN AND U.S. LAWYERS
With modern facilities situated in a world-class city, there is no better place to study law than at the University of San Francisco. The San Francisco Bay Area’s legal and business markets offer unparalleled training and career opportunities. Home to Silicon Valley’s leading international law firms and corporations, the region is the business and financial capital of the West Coast of the United States and is a rich environment for observing American law in action. Whatever your plans are once you receive your degree, USF will prepare you with the knowledge, skills, and professional networking opportunities to help get you there.

The USF School of Law, founded in 1912 and accredited by the American Bar Association, offers a rigorous education with a global perspective within a diverse, supportive community. Our professors bring to the classroom the highest educational credentials, substantial practical experience, and an underlying dedication to teaching, scholarship, and service. They are respected authors, researchers, and legal theorists who collaborate with students on research and writing. Our students are among the most ethnically diverse in any law school in the United States, and Master of Laws students are integrated into many of the Juris Doctor courses.

The law school is housed in the Koret Law Center, one of the most modern law school facilities in America. The center includes the technically advanced Dorraine Zief Law Library and Kendrick Hall, which is home to classrooms, offices, and student lounges.

WHY JOIN US?
• Immerse yourself in the legal profession in one of the world’s most dynamic cities
• Thrive in an intellectually demanding and intensely personal education experience
• Graduate prepared to be a successful, effective leader inspired to change the world
• Engage in innovative legal programs that provide invaluable practical experience and service communities near and far
“Much of what I have achieved in my career in intellectual property is thanks to my education at USF. The expert professors, intellectually challenging courses, and the professional connections gave me a solid foundation in IP law and issues.”

MAXIMILIANO SANTA CRUZ ‘02
DIRECTOR OF THE CHILEAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY
Your Successful Career Begins with Engaged Learning at USF

Recognizing the importance of giving students a solid foundation in theory and skills, the Intellectual Property and Technology Law LLM program at USF emphasizes participation, dialogue, and practical experience. Both full- and part-time options are available.

The law school provides a supportive environment to help students reach their educational and career goals.

- Attend hearings at the California Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and a local jury trial.
- Benefit from individual counseling with a faculty member and career planning services.
- Learn from USF law school alumni mentors who are practicing attorneys specializing in a variety of legal fields.
- Take advantage of the Office of Career Planning’s array of services, including individual career counseling, resume and cover letter review, networking events, and programs with practitioners regarding diverse areas of the law.

YOUR COURSE OF STUDY

All students take the IP seminar and write a thesis paper on an aspect of intellectual property law. In addition, international IP students must also complete the American Legal System I and American Legal Writing and American Legal Systems II classes.

The program requires completion of 25 units and can be completed in two full-time semesters, August through May. A part-time option is available with approval from the program director. Graduates of the LLM program may be eligible to take the bar exam in many U.S. states, and are strongly encouraged to discuss this with their academic advisors at the beginning of the fall semester.

CORE COURSES INCLUDE:
- Copyright Law
- Cyberlaw
- Intellectual Property Survey
- Patent Law
- Trademark

ELECTIVE COURSES MAY INCLUDE:
- Antitrust
- Antitrust Law and IP Rights
- Biotechnology Law
- Entertainment and Media Law
- Information Privacy
- International IP Law
- Internet and IP Justice Clinic
- IP Litigation
- Law of Mass Communication and the Press
- Patent Prosecution
- Science and the Law
- Sports Law
- Transactional Trademark Practice
On our faculty, you’ll find seasoned educators, practitioners, and scholars who share a zeal for teaching and are ready to help you define your own career direction.

David J. Franklyn
Professor, Director of the LLM Program in Intellectual Property and Technology Law, and Director of the McCarthy Institute for Intellectual Property and Technology Law

Professor Franklyn is author of numerous scholarly articles on trademark issues, and is editor-in-chief of McCarthy’s Desk Encyclopedia of Intellectual Property. Franklyn previously clerked for the U.S. District Court of Eastern Michigan, spent five years in private practice in Chicago, and later taught at Northern Kentucky University.

Susan Freiwald
Professor

Professor Freiwald is an expert in cyberlaw and information privacy who has published articles in numerous legal journals. A former software developer, Freiwald has authored and co-authored amicus briefs in major cases involving electronic surveillance laws. She also regularly assists the Electronic Frontier Foundation with electronic surveillance litigation efforts and has served on the board of the Northern California American Civil Liberties Union.

ADJUNCT PROFESSORS

The paramount role of Bay Area businesses in the technological revolution has made it home to the world’s leading intellectual property law practices. We enrich our curriculum by engaging adjunct professors who are talented local attorneys with specialized knowledge and unique practical experience. A selected list of adjuncts for 2014-2015 includes:

Mehrnaz Boroumand Smith
Partner
Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP

Roger Cook
Partner
Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP

Michael E. Dergosits
Partner
Dergosits & Noah LLP

Richard P. Doyle Jr.
Member
Janssen Doyle LLP

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Partner
Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP

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Harvey Kiskind LLP

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Vice President of Intellectual Property
Genentech

Thomas M. Onda
Chief Intellectual Property Counsel
Levi Strauss & Co.

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Senior Counsel
Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP
McCarthy Institute for Intellectual Property and Technology Law

The McCarthy Institute for Intellectual Property and Technology Law, a leading trademark law institute, serves as the center of USF’s intellectual property and technology program. Devoted to advancing knowledge about trademark law around the globe, the program includes a distinguished faculty, internationally focused curriculum, innovative clinical offerings, as well as a vibrant student organization and nationally recognized student publication, *Intellectual Property Law Bulletin*.

The institute is named for USF Senior Professor J. Thomas McCarthy, who served on the faculty for 36 years and remains active with institute activities and scholarly work. McCarthy is recognized as a pre-eminent expert in the field with a host of honors including being named the most influential trademark expert of the 20th century by the American Intellectual Property Lawyers Association.

The McCarthy Institute focuses on the impact of increasing global trade, communications, and how the law can shape world trade to maximize its positive benefits. It collaborates with the heads of industry, government, legal practice, and the academy to bring forward a cutting-edge, annual symposium on trademark laws, with partner and co-sponsor Microsoft. In addition, it is conducting empirical work on various issues in trademark law, including the use of trademarks and advertising search terms on the Internet.
Apply Now

We seek to admit a diverse group of students who are among the most capable lawyers from countries throughout the world. The priority application deadline for August 2015 admission is February 16, 2015. The Admissions Committee reviews files in the order they are completed, on a rolling basis. Therefore, it is to your advantage to submit the complete application with supporting materials as early as possible.

Eligibility

The LLM program is open to applicants who have obtained a first degree in law, or have completed in a foreign country the university-based legal education required to take the equivalent of the bar examination in that country, or are qualified to practice law in a foreign country, or are otherwise determined sufficiently qualified by the LLM Admissions Committee.

Strong English language ability is a prerequisite to admission. Please visit www.usfca.edu/law/llm/itcl for more information.

The LLM and English Language Program is designed for otherwise qualified LLM applicants who want to improve their English language skills and achieve the level of proficiency necessary to be successful in the LLM degree program. After submitting TOEFL or IELTS scores, conditionally admitted students may be required to take one or two semesters of English language development coursework at USF prior to starting their LLM degree. Students will receive some credit towards their LLM degree and a certificate at the completion of the program. More information about the program can be found at www.usfca.edu/law/llm/english.

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USF by the Numbers

325
USF LLM alumni worldwide

2nd
Ranked second best quality of life and eighth most diverse faculty by The Princeton Review

5th
Tied as the fifth most diverse law student body in the nation by U.S. News and World Report

8th
Ranked the eighth best law school for diversity practices by HispanicBusiness.com

85
Countries represented by all LLM program graduates

TOP 10
One of ten recommended LLM programs in the U.S. for lawyers of color by The Black Student’s Guide to Law Schools

345 and growing
Alumni participating in the USF School of Law LinkedIn Mentor Program (as of August 2014)

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