

## DESCRIPTION OF DEGREE PROGRAMME (admission year: 2021-2022)

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Title of the degree programme	National Code
Intellectual Property Law Master`s Degree Programme (joint study program with Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine)	6281KX001

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Official name of the awarding institution(s)	Language of instruction
Mykolas Romeris University	English

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Kind of study	Cycle of studies	Level of qualification
University studies	II cycle	VII level

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Mode of study and length of programme in years	Length of the degree programme in ECTS credits	Student's workload	Contact work hours	Independent work hours
Full-time study 2 years	120	3240	566	2674

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Group of Study Fields	Field of the programme
Law	Law

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Degree and/or qualification awarded
Master of Law

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Programme Director	Contact information
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Accreditation organization	Period of reference
Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education	2022.12.31

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Purpose of the programme
The objective of Intellectual Property Law programme is to prepare highly qualified intellectual property law specialists, knowing the peculiarities of legal protection of intellectual property on the international, European and national levels, able to explain the latest intellectual property law issues and trends, to analyse and assess legal solution related to the exploitation and enforcement of intellectual property rights, promptly and effectively deal with legal problems of intellectual property protection, conduct research and provide logical, motivated, efficient solutions.

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<b>Profile of the programme</b>		
<b>Study content: discipline(s)/subject area(s)</b>	<b>Orientation of the programme</b>	<b>Distinctive features</b>
<p>All the intended courses are within the study field of Law. The programme consists of 15 compulsory courses.</p>	<p>The programme is oriented towards academic research and professional practice: main fields of study for qualification are organized in a way which enables the graduates to put into practice the acquirements and capacities with skills for further self-guided academic research. The master of Intellectual Property Law study programme has the skills deepening character, aiming at further specialization within the Civil Law area prior studied by the learners in their bachelor-phase education studies.</p>	<p>The study programme is the first joint programme in Lithuania in the field of Intellectual Property Law carried out in two higher education institutions – Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania) and Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (Ukraine). The study programme will be performed in English language and it will give individuals the opportunity to gain a Master of Laws degree in two higher education institutions.</p>
<b>Qualification requirements and regulations</b>		
<p>According to the Description of the Lithuanian Qualifications Framework, level VII qualifications are acquired through graduate university (II cycle) studies.</p> <p>The qualification provides for complex activities consisting of different interrelated tasks which may cover several related areas of professional activities. That is the reason why the performance requires expert evaluation of the most recent knowledge in the close and more distanced areas of activities; discovery of new facts in applied research of the professional activity area, creative theoretical knowledge and application of the results of scientific research.</p> <p>The activities are performed independently, by way of setting prerogatives of an activity area, making independent decisions, which are oriented towards improvement and perfection of the activities. The activities imply managing the activities of other employees, thus qualifications of this level include abilities to independently carry out applied research, to provide consultations in an area of activities, to coordinate projects related to the upgrading of other individuals' qualifications and implementation of innovations, to analyse and present activity results.</p> <p>As the technological, management and organizational progress is witnessed in all areas of activities, the activities and their environment are subject to constant change, the changes are difficult to anticipate, the activities consist of volatile combinations of tasks. The activity change requires the ability to make innovative decisions based on research results, to assess alternative solutions and possible social and ethic consequences of the activities.</p>		

## 11.

Admission requirements	Specific arrangements for recognition of prior learning	Specific requirements for graduation
Students wishing to participate in the Programme will need to have obtained a first cycle degree in law (Bachelor of Law). The candidates must have very good knowledge and skills of English (at least B2 in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).	<p>Procedure for Recognition of Academic Credits at Mykolas Romeris University</p> <p>"<a href="https://intranet.mruni.eu/mru_lt_dokumentai/centrai/akademiniu_reikalu_centras/teises_aktai/Studiju%20kreditu%20prip.tv._ENG%20porfolio.pdf">https://intranet.mruni.eu/mru_lt_dokumentai/centrai/akademiniu_reikalu_centras/teises_aktai/Studiju%20kreditu%20prip.tv._ENG%20porfolio.pdf</a>"</p> <p>establishes the principles and procedure for the recognition of learning outcomes achieved by a person in other Lithuanian and foreign higher education institutions and in the non-formal and informal learning competencies, related to higher education, and the recognition of study credits at Mykolas Romeris University.</p> <p>All studies in the field of Law require additional requirements for recognition of academic credits at MRU.</p>	To complete 120 credits, prepare and successfully defend Master's thesis and successfully pass the State exam.

## 12.

Access to further studies
Master degree is a necessary prerequisite to enter the third cycle studies.

## 13.

Occupational profiles of graduates with examples
<p>Graduates who have successfully completed joint master programme Intellectual Property Law and earned Master of Laws degree will have excellent career opportunities both in graduates' home country and abroad. Degree holders will be able to work in the public sector (for example, in the European institutions, international institutions, national parliaments, governments, international, regional and national courts, quasi-courts, regulatory agencies, other supranational, state and municipal administration entities, engaged in legal framework architecture, administrative regulation, fighting law infringements or dispute settlement related to intellectual property protection) as well as in private sector (legal consulting service providers, companies working in any business sector and dealing with intellectual property protection), in academic and research institutions.</p>

## 14.

Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
Case analysis.	Presentations. Problem solving tasks. Creative tasks. Portfolio method.
Learning based on practical content.	Problem solving tasks. Creative tasks. Portfolio method.
Working in group.	Problem solving tasks. Creative tasks. Presentation. Portfolio method.
Discussions.	Problem solving tasks. Creative tasks. Portfolio method.
Academic and problematic teaching.	Frontal verbal questioning.

Critical literature reading.	Frontal verbal questioning. Presentations. Portfolio method.
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Generic competences		Programme learning outcomes	
1.	Social skills	1.1	Ability to implement the knowledge on the legal protection of intellectual property in order to self-initiate, develop and manage transnational and European business, ability to make social responsible and ethical decisions in the multicultural business environment.
2.	Social skills	2.1	Ability to participate in dispute settlement as a consultant on the legal protection of intellectual property and give recommendations on the matter independently or as a team member in multicultural business environment.
3.	Personal skills	3.1	Ability to plan the learning process independently and purposefully, to choose the direction of professional activities' development, to adapt to the changing work environment and to act in a multicultural environment responsibly, honestly and transparently.
Subject specific competences		Programme learning outcomes	
4.	Knowledge, its application	4.1	Ability to analyse and explain system of intellectual property objects and their interrelation, the principles of the legal protection of intellectual property, ability to analyse and explain national, European and international intellectual property legal sources and identify their scope, ability to find the most effective legal mechanism (national, European, international or their combination) for the protection of intellectual property objects exploited in business.
5.	Ability to conduct research	5.1	Ability to analyse and synthesize information necessary for scientific research in the field of intellectual property law, to follow developments of business demands related to the exploitation of the intellectual property objects and novelties of the legal protection of intellectual property, to clearly and unambiguously formulate logical conclusions based on intellectual property law knowledge, to convey the information to different audiences.
6.	Special skills	6.1	Ability critically analyse and assess the compliance of national legislation with the European and international legal acts, ability to identify and assess imperfection of intellectual property legislation in force, ability to provide proposals on the necessary changes of legislation in force as well as on adoption of new legislation in order to improve business environment.

<b>7.</b>	Special skills	<b>7.1</b>	Ability to advise on issues related to intellectual property law, to deal with a wide range of legal problems, including extremely complex, when there is incomplete or limited information, to provide suggestions that would enable the reduction of the rise of problems detected as well as interests alignment and satisfaction of the individual business participants.
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**16. COURSE STRUCTURE DIAGRAM WITH CREDITS**

Code	Course units	ECTS credits	Student's workload	Contact work hours	Independent work hours	Programme competences						
						Generic competences			Subject specific competences			
						1	2	3	4	5	6	7
						Key learning outcomes						
						1.1	2.1	3.1	4.1	5.1	6.1	7.1
<b>1st YEAR</b>		<b>60</b>	<b>1620</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>1208</b>							
<b>1 SEMESTER</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>544</b>							
<b>Compulsory course units</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>544</b>							
	Actual Issues of Public Law	6	162	66	96	x		x			x	
	Topical Issues of Procedural Law	6	162	66	96		x	x			x	
	Actual Issues of Private Law	6	162	66	96	x	x	x			x	
	International Protection of Human Rights	6	162	34	128				x	x		
	Alternative Dispute Resolution	6	162	34	128							
<b>2 SEMESTER</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>664</b>							
<b>Compulsory course units</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>664</b>							
	Copyright and Related Rights	6	162	34	128	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Patent Law	6	162	34	128	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Enforcement of Intellectual Property	6	162	34	128		x	x	x	x	x	x
	Intellectual Property in the Internet	6	162	34	128	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Master Thesis	6	162	10	152			x		x	x	x
<b>2nd YEAR</b>		<b>60</b>	<b>1620</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>1466</b>							
<b>3 SEMESTER</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>666</b>							
<b>Compulsory course units</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>666</b>							

	EU Intellectual Property Law	4	108	34	74	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Law of Trade Marks and Design	6	162	50	112	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	European and International Contract Law	6	162	50	112				x	x		
	Research Internship	14	378	10	368							
<b>4 SEMESTER</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>800</b>							
<b>Compulsory course units</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>800</b>							
	Master Thesis	10	270	0	270			x		x	x	x
	Internship	20	540	10	530							

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