THE DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS CHAIR,

MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR

CALL FOR PAID INTERNSHIP

FOR THE MONTH OF

September, October and November 2026

About the University

Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur, was established by the Government of Maharashtra by way of an enactment known as the Maharashtra National Law University Act (Maharashtra Act No. VI of 2014). The University is the nineteenth National Law University in India. The University is a residential University engaged into promoting quality legal education and conducting cutting-edge research on thriving issues of law, social science and humanities. The University is presently offering B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course; B.A.LL.B (Honours in Adjudication and Justicing) Five Years Integrated Degree Course; B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.) Five Year Integrated Degree Course; LL.M. One-Year Postgraduate Degree Course; Ph.D. interface with law.

About the DPIIT IPR Chair

The Scheme for Pedagogy & Research in IPRs for Holistic Education & Academia (SPRIHA) was launched in the year 2016 by the Department for Promotion of Industries and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. The IPR Chair was established in October 2020 and the Chair got extension for further five years under the SPRIHA scheme at selected Universities in India and MNLU, Nagpur takes pride in being one for them. The chair was established to fulfil one of the objectives of the National IPR Policy of the Government of India which was to 'Strengthen IP Chairs in educational institutes of higher

learning to provide quality teaching and research, develop teaching capacity and curricula and evaluate their work on performance based criteria'.

Eligibility

The internship is open to students enrolled in 4th and 5th year undergraduate in law and LLM (Intellectual Property Rights) Specialization from MNLUN only.

Duration

Internships shall be provided for the period of 3 months. Stipend will be paid of Rs. 10,000 Per Month.

***After one month the work of the candidate will be reviewed by the Chair and then only it will get continued for further 2 months.**

Application Process

- The applicants must communicate their interest for internship via email to iprchair@nlunagpur.ac.in along with their CV. The subject of the email must be 'Internship with IPR Chair'.
- Along with the CV, applicants are required to submit:
- SOP for Internship (500-800-word limit only); and
- Short write-up on any one of the following topics of your choice:

  1) AI & Copyright in India: Law, Policy, and the Future of Creative Rights

  2) Patent & Public Health: India's Balancing Act Between Innovation and Access

  3) Significance of Well-known Trademarks: Cross-Border Reputation vs. Local Use

  4) Modernising the Design Protection framework in India
- The word limit for the write up would be 1000 words. The submission must be the original work of the authors i.e. shouldn't be plagiarized and AI created or Generated.
- Similarity index: Not more than 10%
- AI-generated work is not accepted; authors must disclose any ethical use of AI tools for language editing or research assistance.

- **The Last date to apply for an internship is August 24, 2026.**

Work Structure

Once the applicant is selected, the intern would be asked to undertake tasks that shall involve assisting in research on topics related to Intellectual Property Rights. Also, the applicant will contribute to the projects assigned by DPIIT-IPR chair. The interns are expected to facilitate and coordinate the programs conducted by the IPR Chair. Interns may be asked to share the research work assigned to them in the form of papers, presentations, or reports. **The internship will be in offline mode only.**

Submission of Report

Interns must submit a final report to the Chair Professor at the end of every month of the internship period containing the work done by the intern during the internship period for the processing of the Certificate.

Confidentiality and IPR

The Chair reserves all rights and title over the research done by the interns during the internship period and the research work cannot be otherwise used by the interns without prior written approval of the Chair. Any breach of this may invite legal consequences.

NOTE:

1. Interns must send their University cards/ID before the date of joining.
2. The confirmation of the internship will be communicated to the applicant after the final selection round. If no correspondence is made from the department within 4 days after interview, kindly assume that the application has not been considered.
3. After selection of an application the shortlisted candidate will undergo an interview round.