



POSTGRADUATE LAW 2023

POSTGRADUATE SHORT COURSES IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Postgraduate courses at Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington's Faculty of Law offer working professionals access to relevant, thought-provoking research and insight from world-leading experts. Each can be taken as a standalone paper.

These courses are accredited by the Trans-Tasman Intellectual Property Attorneys Board (TTIPAB). All are taught both in person and simultaneously online for distance students.

Courses are coordinated by Professor Susy Frankel and taught by a range of lecturers from academia and the profession, including Professor Frankel, Professor Graeme Austin, Associate Professor Jessica Lai, Paul Scott, Sarah Barclay (AJ Park), and David Koedyk (Chapman Tripp Patents).

Go to www.wgtn.ac.nz/coursefinder for up-to-date information.

LAWS 530

New Zealand and Australian Copyright and Designs Law (Group I TTIPAB)

This course focuses on the protection of designs for products in Australian and New Zealand law. It provides an overview of Australian and New Zealand copyright law, with a particular focus on the designs/copyright law interface. The course also covers designs law practice.

20 points

**Offered in Trimester 3: 9.30 am–4.30 pm,
Thursday 2 November to Tuesday 7 November**

LAWS 536

Trade Marks and Unfair Competition (Group A2 TTIPAB)

More New Zealand businesses depend on trade marks than any other form of intellectual property. New Zealand's trade mark law, and related rights such as passing off and geographical indications, have both international and local impacts. This course examines how trade marks operate in domestic and international trade.

20 points

**Offered in Trimester 3: 9.30 am–4.30 pm,
Monday 13 November to Thursday 16 November**

LAWS 537

Patent Law (Group E TTIPAB)

This course provides the foundations necessary to understand both New Zealand and Australian patent law and how the law operates in a global context. Topics include the patent examination and grant systems, infringement, non-infringing uses, and the policy and functions of patent law.

20 points

**Offered in Trimester 2: 9.30 am–4.30 pm, Thursday 22 June
to Tuesday 27 June 2023**

LAWS 551

New Zealand and Australian Intellectual Property Law (Group A2 TTIPAB)

This course provides an advanced-level overview of intellectual property law, including the commonalities and differences between New Zealand and Australian patent, trade mark, copyright, design, and related rights such as plant variety rights, and confidential information. The trans-Tasman relationship will be discussed in the context of international obligations.

10 points

Offered in Trimester 2: 9.30am– 6.30pm, Thursday 31 August and 9.30am– 1.30pm, Friday 1 September

LAWS 552

Legal Systems and Sources of Law (Group A1 TTIPAB)

This course provides an overview of New Zealand's and Australia's legal systems and sources of law. It is primarily designed for students without a Bachelor of Laws, or other first degree in law, and admission is by approval of the Director of Graduate Studies.

10 points

Offered in Trimester 2: 9.30 am–12.30 pm and 1.40–4.30 pm, Thursday 7 September and 1.40–4.30 pm, Friday 8 September 2023

LAWS 554

Interpretation and Validity of Patent Applications (Group H TTIPAB)

This course teaches the fundamentals of interpreting patent specifications and claims. Students taking this course must have studied LAWS 537 Patent Law. This course includes modules and discussion and will be taught as an online intensive course. Total class time is 18 hours.

15 points

Offered in Trimester 2: 1.40–4.30 pm, Wednesday 9 August to Friday 11 August and Wednesday 16 August to Friday 18 August 2023

LAWS 555

Patent Drafting (Group G TTIPAB)

This course provides the foundations necessary to understand how patents are drafted and to develop the practical skills to draft them by using case studies that reflect issues that arise with drafting. This course includes modules and discussion and will be taught as an online intensive course. Total class time is 18 hours.

15 points

Offered in Trimester 2: 1.40–4.30 pm, Wednesday 13 September to Friday 15 September

