

Course Title (Subtitle)	Intellectual Property Law in Practice			Term	Fall-Winter
				Day/Period	Sat. 4th - 5th
				Credit	2
Instructor	Prof. Shinto TERAMOTO Prof. Kunihiro KAWASAKI	Course Code	Required/Elective	Intended Year	
		25176118	Elective	1st and 2nd	
Schedule	<p>①②10/4, 4th & 5th periods ③④10/11, 4th & 5th periods ⑤⑥10/18, 4th & 5th periods ⑦⑧11/1, 4th & 5th periods *Guidance 11/29, 5th period ⑨⑩12/13, 4th & 5th periods ⑪12/20, 5th period ⑫⑬1/24, 4th & 5th periods ⑭2/7, 5th period The class session numbers correspond to those of the International Course at the Graduate School of Law. The session that is exclusively provided to students of the Law School and the Business School is indicated as "Guidance".</p>				
Prerequisite	Require a minimum level of English language proficiency. This ensures students can understand basic legal terms in English and potentially reference English-language materials.	Keywords	Intellectual property law, Patent, Copyright, Trademark, Trade Dress, Social Network Services		
Overall Goal	This course provides a practical overview of intellectual property law practice in Japan, with a particular focus on patents, copyrights, and trademarks.	Individual Goal	Students are expected to gain practical training on how to utilize the tools offered by intellectual property laws to protect their clients' rights. Japanese-speaking students are additionally expected to obtain the skill to explain intellectual property law practice to foreign clients and counterparts in English.		
Course Overview	<p>This course provides a practical overview of intellectual property laws in Japan, with a particular focus on patents, copyrights, and trademarks. Many of these topics are also being discussed in other jurisdictions, including the EU, the U.S., and various Asian countries. Students will gain practical training on using intellectual property law tools to protect their own or their clients' rights.</p> <p>Legal practitioners are expected to be skilled readers and drafters of legal texts, such as laws, contracts, patent claims, and court opinions, not PowerPoint wizards. This course will not teach you how to become a PowerPoint wizard using trendy or even outdated buzzwords. Students looking for that kind of training should find another course that better suits their needs. The terminology we'll examine in this course is limited to terms that are already established or are anticipated to become established in legal practice.</p>				
Access to the latest course information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyushu University Moodle https://moodle.s.kyushu-u.ac.jp " Japanese Intellectual Property Law in Practice 2025, Prof. Teramoto, Shinto				
Class Styles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lecture, seminar 	Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electronic media 		
Teaching and Learning Methods	Lecturers with extensive legal practice experience will deliver lectures. Students are encouraged to ask questions and provide comments at any time during class.				
Textbook References	Reading materials will be distributed as needed via Kyushu University Moodle.				
Grading Policy	Grading will be based on participation in class discussions and the final examination (take-home exam).				