

## SOL

The School of Law (SOL) was established in 2005 with an objective of imparting legal education through Open and Distance Learning system. The School aims to create awareness about legal rights and responsibilities in the emerging world order. The School strives to ensure high quality education and research through innovative, multi-media learning teaching packages with focus on learning practical aspects of law, acquiring legal skills and scholarship.

Recognising the importance of legal education and demand for the programmes in Law, IGNOU constituted a five member Committee in 1994 under the Chairmanship of Prof N.R. Madhava Menon, an eminent legal educationist. This Committee suggested for developing professional programmes in Law including programmes in Paralegal Education, Court Administration, Law and Office Management, Legal Aid administration, Occupation-based and Management-Oriented Legal Education for middle and top-level personnel in government and industry. The UGC Curriculum Development Centre in Law (CDC), set up in 1990, under the Chairmanship of Prof Upendra Baxi, an eminent jurist, also underscored the importance of Distance Education in Law as inclusive legal education for wider participation in legal profession, judicial appointments and government law offices.

The School of Law organised a brain-storming session in June, 2007 to prepare a roadmap for the legal education in India. The important recommendations of the session enabled SOL to plan and develop a range of programmes in law.

### 1. Doctor of Philosophy in Law (PHDLE)

IGNOU's School of Law is offering the Ph.D. Programme since July 2009. Depending upon the position of vacant seats in the School, admission to Ph.D. Programme will take place in July session every year. The admission schedule will be announced through advertisement on the IGNOU website and/or in national newspapers for session indicating the Disciplines which are on offer during the session. The applications will be submitted through online mode.

**Objectives:** The Objective of the Ph.D programme in law are to enable the Researchers:-

- To conduct in-depth legal Research aiming at making significant contributions in the field of law.
- To develop critical, systematic and analytical research aptitude.
- To formulate the research design and use the tools for research effectively.
- To maximise their learning in the area of their research study, philosophy of law, jurisprudence and constitutional law.

**Eligibility:** Possesses Master's Degree in law from a University recognized by UGC or any other qualification recognized as equivalent thereto in the field of law as notified for the purpose from time to time by the University with at least 55% marks [50% marks in the case of SC, ST,

OBC (Non-creamy layer) and Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of UGC from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's Degree prior to 19<sup>th</sup> September, 1991] excluding grace marks. The candidates have to Qualify in the entrance examination conducted by IGNOU at the national level.

### **Duration of the programme**

The Minimum duration after registration is 3 years and maximum 6 years. The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of two years for Ph.D. in the Maximum duration.

### **Employment Opportunities:**

- i) The successful learners may aspire to become law teachers in the conventional as well as unconventional university system.
- ii) The in-service Law teachers and practitioners may find upward mobility in their career progression.

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 14,000

**Medium of Instruction:** English/Hindi

**Pre Ph.D course work** – All the admitted candidates shall undergo course work in accordance with the provisions of IGNOU Regulations for conducting Research Degree Programmes, (IRCRDP)

### **Programme Structure for course work**

S. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Type of Courses	Credits
1.	RLE-005	Research Methodology	Compulsory	8
2.	RLE-006	Constitutional Law (Part A) and Jurisprudence (Part B)	-do-	8

## **2. Post-Graduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights (PGDIPR)**

The Programme PGDIPR has been revised in July 2013. This programme has been designed to cater to the needs of those people who are working in the field of IPR and wish to specialize in the area of IPR. The programme consists of eight courses which deals with the various areas of IPR like Patents, Copyright, Trademarks.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- Acquaint the learners with the basic concepts of Intellectual Property Right
- Develop expertise in the learners in IPR related issues; and

- Sensitize the learners with the emerging issues in IPR and the rationale for the protection of IPR

**Programme Code:** PGDIPR

**Eligibility:** Graduate in any discipline

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 10,200

**Duration:** Minimum 1 Year & Maximum 3 Years

**Medium of Instruction:** English

**Employment Opportunities:** Jobs in the field of IPR, Patent Agents, Patent Attorney  
Trademark Attorney.

### Programme Structure

S. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Type of Courses	Credits
1.	MIP-101	General Introduction to IP Rights	Compulsory	4
2.	MIP-102	Patents	-do-	4
3.	MIP-103	Industrial Designs and Layout Designs of Integrated Circuits and Utility Models	-do-	4
4.	MIP-104	Trademarks, Domain Names, Geo- graphical Indications	-do-	4
5.	MIP-105	Copyright and Related Rights	-do-	4
6.	MIP-106	Plant Varieties Protection, Biotechnology and Traditional Knowledge	-do-	4
7.	MIP-107	Trade Secrets, Competition Law and Protection of TCE	-do-	4
8.	MIP-108	Management of IPRs	-do-	4

### 3. Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Justice (PGDCJ)

Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Justice (PGDCJ) has been launched by School of Law, in July, 2010. This programme is specially designed to cater to the needs of people who are working in this field and are interested in knowing the Criminal Justice System.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this Programme are to:

- keep pace with emerging developments in Criminal Justice

- create well-informed citizens and professionals in the area of Criminal Justice
- enhance the competencies of the professionals already working in the area of Criminal Justice System.
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**Programme code:** PGDCJ

**Eligibility:** Ay Graduate, Graduate in Law, Criminology, Social Work and functionaries of Criminal Justice Administration

**Programme Fee:** Rs.10,800/-

**Duration:** Minimum 1 Year & Maximum 3 Years

**Medium of Instruction:** English only.

**Employment Opportunities:** \* Jobs related to Criminal Justice Administration in Govt. organizations, International and National NGO's.

\* Lawyers can specialize in Criminal Law related to woman, children and other vulnerable groups etc.

## Programme Structure

S.No.	Course code	Title of the course	Nature of course	Credits
1.	MLE-011	Criminal Justice System	Theory	4
2.	MLE-012	Indian Penal Code	-do-	4
3.	MLE-013	Criminal Justice Processes	-do-	4
4.	MLE-014	Criminal Justice Administration	-do-	4
5.	MLE-015	Challenges to Criminal Justice System	-do-	4
6.	MLE-016	Criminal Justice Research and Advocacy	-do-	4
7.	MLEP-017	Project	Project	8

## 4. Diploma in Paralegal Practice (DIPP)

### Who are Paralegal?

This unique programme is the first of its kind offered by a Central University in India. This programme is designed to equip the learner with paralegal skills to enable him/her to use the legal system effectively. We enjoy rights under our Constitution and other laws which are necessary to live a life of dignity and full realisation of one's potential and aspirations. In recognition of the prevailing socio-economic inequalities, the constitutional guarantee of legal aid has been given due significance.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- develop a functional understanding of the legal and judicial system and laws that affect individuals in everyday life;
- impart elementary skills in accessing legal and judicial institutions and processes;
- enable individuals to use public advocacy; and
- develop a cadre of ‘barefoot lawyers’ for preventive legal services to strengthen the legal aid delivery system by bridging the gap between people, especially the most vulnerable, and the legal system by demystifying the law, spreading awareness and facilitating access.

**Programme Code:**DIPP

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or equivalent or BPP from IGNOU

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 8,400/-

**Duration:** Minimum 1 year & Maximum 3 years

**Medium of Instruction:** English and Hindi

**Employment Opportunities:** Paralegals are also engaged by lawyers and law firms to assist them in various ways such as legal research drafting interviewing the clients etc. Various NGOs right based NGOs also employ them in their organization.

### Programme Structure

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Type of courses	Credits
1.	BLE-001	Introduction to the Indian Legal System	Compulsory	5
2.	BLE-002	Introduction to Law	-do-	5
3.	BLE-003	Law and Vulnerable Groups	-do-	5
4.	BLE-004	Rural Local Self Government	-do-	5
5.	BLEP-001	Clinical course: Placement / Research Project	-do-	10

### 5. Post-Graduate Certificate in Cyber Law- PGCCL

The Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber Law Seeks to address the changing needs of knowledge society in the era of Information communication technologies and virtual cyberspace where one can reach the masses much quickly as opposed to earlier technologies there by breaking the jurisdictional boundaries and creating series of challenges for the legal system due to its unique quality of openness, economic efficiency and anonymity of members of the virtual community. The Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber Law is a 16 credits programme and consists of four compulsory courses.

**Objectives:** The objective of this programme are to:

- Enable the learner to understand, explore, and acquire a critical understanding Cyber Law.

- develop competencies for dealing with frauds and deceptions (confidence tricks, scams) and other cyber crimes for example, child pornography etc. that are taking place via the Internet;
- make learner conversant with the social and intellectual property issues emerging from 'Cyberspace';
- explore the legal and policy developments in various countries to regulate Cyberspace;
- develop the understanding of relationship between commerce and cyberspace; and
- give learners in depth knowledge of Information Technology Act and legal frame work of Right to Privacy, Data Security and Data Protection.

**Programme Code:** PGCCL

**Eligibility:** Graduate in any discipline or Fourth and Fifth year students of Five year integrated LL.B course who passed three years.

**Programme fee:** Rs 8,400/-

**Duration:** Minimum 6 Months & Maximum 2 years

**Medium of Instruction:** English only

**Employment opportunities:** Today in India with increased usage of internet and ecommerce, the cyber-crimes and issues relating to management of IPR's and data protection and security have also emerged, to tackle such problems a person is required to have an in-depth knowledge of Cyber law. A certificate in cyber laws can be considered as an added advantage and has great scope for the learners in the corporate field, Law and information technology. The cyber law experts are in huge demand in public and private organisations, Law and IT firms, police department, corporate world, universities and this will continue to grow further in this era of digitization.

**Programme Structure**

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Type of courses	Credits
1.	MIR-011	Cyberspace Technology and Social Issues	Compulsory	4
2.	MIR-012	Regulation of Cyberspace	-do-	4
3.	MIR-013	Commerce and Cyberspace	-do-	4
4.	MIR-014	Privacy and Data Protection	-do-	4

**6. Post-Graduate Certificate in Patent Practice (PGCPP)**

**Patent** is the most significant form of Intellectual Property to encourage creativity in science and technology and protect the inventions. It is a strategic tool for development and creation of new technology and business expansion throughout the world. This programme has been developed to provide basic knowledge and awareness on the concept and to understand the National and International legal framework to protect patents.

It also aims to develop skills of reading, writing, analysing and opposing patents. The main objective of the course is to enable learners to acquire drafting skills and practical knowledge of writing a Patent application, protecting one's claim on his invention, opposition and defense, etc.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- provide the learners an in-depth knowledge of the Indian patent law;
- train learners in writing of patent application; and
- develop expertise in patent search.

**Programme Code:** PGCPP

**Eligibility:** Degree in Science/Technology/Medicine or Fourth and Fifth year students of Five year integrated LL.B Course who passed three years

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 9,600/-

**Duration:** Minimum 6 Months; Maximum 2 Years

**Medium of instruction:** English only

**Employment Opportunities:** In the field of patent agents, IPR industries, Patent Attorney

### Programme Structure

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Type of courses	Credits
1.	MIR-021	Overview of Intellectual Property Rights	Compulsory	4
2.	MIR-022	International Framework for Patents Protection	-do-	4
3.	MIR-023	Indian Patent Law and Procedures	-do-	4
4.	MIRP-001	Project	-do-	4

### 7. Certificate in Consumer Protection (CCP)

Over the years, the need for consumer education has been felt all over the world. The rapid industrialization, revolution in the Information Communication Technology, globalization, etc., have brought about dramatic changes in our need, perceptions, behaviour patterns, attitude towards rights, entitlements responsibilities and concerns as consumers. In developing countries like India, these issues have become more problematic. The goal of consumer education is to prepare students for their role as consumers, activists in consumer protection movement and professionals in NGOs and other concerned bodies.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- create an overall awareness on Consumer Affairs with special emphasis on Consumer Protection;
- enable the learners to understand various Consumer Protection Issues; and
- enable the learner to work as a consumer activist in the industrial sector, NGOs and government departments on consumer affairs.

**Programme Code:** CCP

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 1,800/-

**Duration:** Minimum 6 Months; Maxi-mum 2 Years

**Medium of Instruction:** English and Hindi

**Employment Opportunities:** The successful learners may be in a position to

- help others either by self or through NGOs/ VCOs, in consumer related affairs.
- Get openings in the consumer affairs departments, consumer cooperatives, stores, retail outlets etc.

## Programme Structure

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Type of courses	Credits
1.	CPI-101	Consumer and Consumer Protection Legislations	Compulsory	4
2.	CPI-102	Redressal of Consumer Grievances		
		Role of Various Stake Holders	-do-	4
3.	CPI-103	Consumer Protection Issues	-do-	4
4.	CPI-104	Project Works in Consumer Protection	-do-	4

## 8. Certificate Programme in Human Rights (CHR)

**Introduction:** Human Rights are those rights which every human being enjoys on the basis of equality irrespective of caste, race, religion, place of birth, sex or any other economic and social status. These rights are guaranteed in the constitution of India in forms of Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles and international instruments such as UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR, CEDAW, CRC, UNCRPD etc.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- sensitize the learner about Human Rights issues and develop basis understanding of Human Right and their enforcement.
- create awareness about human rights including the emerging issues and debates; and



- promotion of understanding of tolerance, gender equality and harmonious coexistence among social, national, ethnic, religious and linguistic groups;

**Programme Code: CHR**

**Eligibility** 10+2 or equivalent or BPP from IGNOU

**Programme Fee:**Rs. 2400/-

**Duration:** Minimum 6 Months & Maximum 2 years

**Medium of Instruction:** English and Hindi

**Employment Opportunities:** people who are interested in working with the organizations working in the field of Human Rights or who want to do specialization on Human Rights can opt for this programme.

**Programme Structure**

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Type of courses	Credits
1.	CHR-11	Human Rights: Evolution, Concepts and Concerns	Compulsory	8
2.	CHR-12	Human Rights in India	-do-	8

**9. Certificate in Anti-Human Trafficking (CAHT)**

A Certificate Programme in Anti Human Trafficking is offered in association Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi. This programme has been launched with a view that it would help learners to understand the various contours of human trafficking. Since trafficking is an organized crime so it needs a professional method to handle it. Undeniably along with stringent punishment, the need of the hour is proper rehabilitation of the victims .We hope that the scheme of this programme would enable the learner to have a deep knowledge of the various rehabilitative schemes. Further the programme is planned in such a way to help the students to know the different legislations in India regarding curbing human trafficking and what are the reasons for the poor implementation of these laws. This programme will also develop a practical approach and sensitization towards the issues of Human Trafficking.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this Programme are to:

- bring about awareness and provide comprehensive understanding to the learners in Anti Human Trafficking;
- develop functional understanding and coordination amongst learners about various stake holders/ agencies associated with the process of Human Trafficking directly or indirectly;

- create awareness building in the area of law, policies, rehabilitation and prevention aspects of Human Trafficking amongst the learners;
- develop practical skills for learners to engage with the process of understanding, Rehabilitation, prevention and reintegration of Human Trafficking;
- prepare well informed professionals, those working in the government agencies, civil society organizations and corporate sectors about the courses and deftness of Human Trafficking and the ways for prevention, rehabilitation, and reintegration;

**Programme Code:** CAHT

**Eligibility:** Any graduate, 10+2 with 5 years of experience in the related field, 10th standard (after doing bridge course from IGNOU they will be admitted in this programme)

**Programme Fee:** Rs.1,400/-

**Duration:**6 Months (Maximum 2 years)

**Medium:** English & Hindi

**Employment Opportunities:** International and National NGO’s related to Human Trafficking, Legal aid, Juvenile Justice, Woman, children and disability etc.

Police Personnel’s can work in Anti Human Trafficking Units

**Programme Structure**

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Nature of course	Credits
1.	BLE-031	Understanding Human Trafficking	Theory	4
2.	BLE-032	Law Policies and Institutional Response to Human Trafficking	-do-	4
3.	BLE-033	Rehabilitation and Prevention	-do-	4
4.	BLEP-034	Project Work	Project	4

**10. Certificate in International Humanitarian Law (CIHL)**

This programme is offered in association with International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC), New Delhi.

**What is IHL?**

International humanitarian law is a set of rules which seek for humanitarian reasons, to limit the effects of armed conflict. It protects who are not or no longer participating in the hostilities and restricts the means of methods or warfare.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- develop knowledge and skills in the area of international humanitarian law ;
- provide specialists understanding on contemporary issues in international humanitarian law in South Asian Regions ; and
- enhance the competencies of professionals already working in the area of CIHL.

**Programme Code:** CIHL

**Eligibility :** 10+2 or equivalent or BPP from IGNOU

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 2,700/-

**Duration:** Minimum 6 Months & Maximum 2 years

**Medium of Instruction:** English

**Employment Opportunities:** people who are interested to work with the organizations involved in providing various services during armed conflicts to the military, civilians, prisoners of wars etc, Training of various stake holders on International Humanitarian Law or who want to do specialization on International Humanitarian Law can opt for this programme.

### Programme Structure

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Nature of course	Credits
1.	BLE-035	Understanding International Humanitarian Law	Theory	4
2.	BLE-036	Application of IHL	-do-	4
3.	BLE-037	IHL Issues of Concern in South Asia	-do-	4
4.	BLEP-038	Field-Based Project Work	Project	4

### 11. Certificate in Co-operation, Co-operative Law & Business Laws (CCLBL)

Cooperatives function as a practical vehicle for promoting self reliance and harnessing people's power towards the attainment of economic development and social justice. Co-operatives promote and strengthen inter-alia, credit and rural economic activities which pave way for large turnover of output and services on different activities and carry diversification of activities into new field.

SOL is offering Certificate in Co-operation, Co-operative Law and Business Laws (CCLBL) from July 2011 session. It is an innovative programme based on self learning instruction material

with multimedia and teleconferencing support. It has been developed with a view to provide basic knowledge and awareness on the concept and to understand the Co-operative and Business law framework. It aims to develop skills of reading, writing and analyzing the legal framework.

**Objectives:** The objectives of this programme are to:

- develop Professionals in the filed of Co-operation, Co-operative Law and Business Law and Management;
- promote qualified, Skilled and professional manpower to manage the affairs of the Cooperative Institutions;
- enhance the knowledge base of the in-service Personnel on the subject Co-operation, Co-operative Law and Business Laws.
- enable the in-service personnel to develop skills on Co-operative Management Techniques.

**Programme Code:** CCLBL

**Eligibility:** 10+2 for in service Personnel (with minimum three years service) (b) any degree for fresher.

**Programme Fee:** Rs. 8,400

**Duration:** 6 Months, Maximum 2 years

**Medium of Instruction:** English

**Employment Opportunities:** The successful learners may have ample scope to get employment opportunity with

- i) The Department of co-operation within the Central and State Governments.
- ii) all cooperative Banks and all other cooperative institutions in the country.

### Programme Structure

S. No.	Course code	Title of the course	Nature of course	Credits
1.	BLE-011	Co-operation: Genesis, Principles, Values, Growth and Development	Theory	4
2.	BLE-012	Co-operative Law	-do-	4
3.	BLE-013	Business Law as Applicable to Co-operatives - I	-do-	4
4.	BLE-014	Business Law as Applicable to Co-operatives - II	-do-	4

## How to register in the Programmes

The learners interested to register in any of the academic programme offered by School of Law can take admission in the Jan/July sessions in a year.

- All the necessary information is available in student zone at: <http://www.ignou.ac.in/>
- Admission announcement and prospectus can be accessed on the following link:  
<http://www.ignou.ac.in/ignou/studentzone/adminssionannouncement/1>

**Online Admission:** The online admission facility can be accessed on the website of the University at [www.ignou.ac.in](http://www.ignou.ac.in) or by visiting <https://onlineadmission.ignou.ac.in/admission/>

### Online Admissions Related Technical Problems

Contact No. 011-29572514 between 9.30AM – 6.00 PM (Monday to Friday).

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### Programme Fee for School of Law Programmes 2016-17

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Programme Code	Eligibility	Duration		Programme Fee	Medium of Instruction
				Min	Max		
1	Doctor of Philosophy in Law	PHDLE	LLM with at least 55% marks [50% marks in the case of SC, ST, OBC (Non-creamy layer) and Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of UGC from time to time,	3 years	6 years	14000/-	English & Hindi
2	PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights (Revised)	PGDIPR	Graduate in any discipline	1 Year	3 Years	Rs.10,200	English
3	PG Diploma in Criminal Justice	PGDCJ	Any graduate, graduates in criminology, social work and functionaries of Criminal Justice Administration	1 Year	3 Years	Rs. 10,800	English
4	Diploma in Paralegal Practice	DIPP	10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU	1 Year	3 Years	Rs. 8,400	English & Hindi
5	PG Certificate in Cyber Law	PGCCL	Graduate in any discipline or Fourth & Five year integrated LL.B. course who have passed three years	6 Months	2 Years	Rs. 8,400	English
6	PG Certificate in Patent Practice	PGCPP	Degree in Science/Law and Fourth & Fifth year students of Five year integrated LL.B. course who have passed three years	6 Months	2 Years	Rs. 9,600	English

7	Certificate in Consumer Protection	CCP	10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU	6 Months	2 Years	Rs. 1,800	English & Hindi
8	Certificate in Human Rights	CHR	10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU	6 Months	2 Years	Rs. 2,400	English & Hindi
9	Certificate in Anti-Human Trafficking	CAHT	10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU	6 Months	2 Years	Rs. 1,400	English & Hindi
10	Certificate in International Humanitarian Law	CIHL	10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU	6 Months	2 years	Rs. 2,700	English
11	Certificate in Co-operation, Co-operative Law & Business Laws	CCLBL	(a) 10+2 for in service Personnel (with minimum three years service) (b) any degree for fresher	6 Months	2 years	Rs. 8,400	English

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