Tours Included in the Program

The China IP Summer Program will include several educational and sightseeing tours as part of the cost of the program. Educational tours will include visits to the State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) and a major IP law firm with numerous international IP clients. Sightseeing trips will include visits to the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace, and the Temple of Heaven.

Classrooms, Housing, and Food

The program will use classrooms at Peking University. The classroom facilities are comparable to those found in ABA-approved law schools in the United States.

Housing for students, faculty, and staff participating in the program is provided at Peking University’s foreign student housing facility. The facility is comparable to a mid-level U.S. hotel. Internet access is available for a small charge. The facility is a 10-minute walk from the student dining halls and is convenient to the classroom used for the instructional portions of the program.

Peking University is world famous for both its quality education and its physical beauty. Gardens located on the campus retain elements of the gardens from a Chinese royal family home previously located on the site.

Costs

Tuition
$1370 per credit hour (students may take one to six credit hours of course work)

Fees
Housing: $980 per student double occupancy; $1830 for single
Food: $560 per student
Instructional Fee: $160 per student (including all tours)
Airfare: Arranged and paid for by each individual

Fees to attend half of the program:
Students taking only Current Legal Issues: The First Amendment Confronts New Technology (weeks one and two; one credit hour) may enroll for only the first half of the program. Students taking only Transborder IP Protection (weeks three and four; one credit hour) and/or International Law Seminar: Comparative IP Protection Issues in China and the U.S. (weeks three and four; two credit hour) can enroll for only the second half of the program. In these cases, the fees for housing, food, and instructional costs shall be half the above amounts.

Financial Aid

Financial aid may be available to support the tuition and living expenses associated with this program. Students should contact the financial aid office at their home institution to determine if this aid is available.

Space is limited in this program, so register now. To reserve a place in the program, a deposit of $400 (non-refundable) is required by April 9, 2012, with full payment of tuition and fees by May 11, 2012.

To register, or for more information, visit the Chinese Intellectual Property Resource Center’s website at chineseip.jmls.edu or contact Executive Director Arthur Yuan at 312.427.2737 ext. 794 or ayuan@jmls.edu.

The courses in this program will be available for CLE credit at a rate of approximately 10 CLE hours per class credit hour. For more information on CLE options, please contact Arthur Yuan at 312.427.2737 ext. 794 or ayuan@jmls.edu.

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Program Focus

John Marshall’s 2012 China IP Summer Program focuses on the growing role of China in intellectual property (IP) law. The courses will emphasize Chinese laws and legal institutions governing IP, as well as transnational border issues between China and the United States.

A highlight of the China IP Summer Program will be Chief Judge James F. Holderman of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois presiding over the fifth Sino-U.S. comparative mock trial program. Other special lectures by Chief Judge Holderman will also be included. The simulation of Chinese proceedings will be overseen by Professor Guangliang Zhang of Renmin University, who was a former acting chief judge of the Intellectual Property Tribunal, Beijing No. 1 Intermediate People’s Court.

In addition, a survey course of U.S. IP laws is offered for students beginning their IP studies and those who wish to have a background in this important area of law. A course on issues involving the First Amendment and emerging technologies is also offered.

Eligibility: Credit for these courses is offered to John Marshall students, and transfer credit for this ABA-approved summer program will be available to students from other ABA-approved law schools in accordance with the rules of their home institutions (before enrolling, students from other schools should confirm with their home institutions that credits from this program will transfer). Students must have finished at least one year of law school studies by the time the summer program starts and must be in good academic standing with a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Courses

Transborder IP Protection

The protection of IP rights across borders presents new challenges to IP regimes that traditionally observe national limits. This course studies the legal mechanism that has emerged in response to increased transborder movement of goods: national customs intercepts infringing goods at the border; civil litigations in the courts may involve oversea patentees and infringers; and international technology transfer contracts bind parties across jurisdictions. An examination of these mechanisms explores ways to enforce territorial IP rights in an increasingly borderless world.

(Professor Liu; one credit hour)

Current Legal Issues: The First Amendment Confronts New Technology

This course will analyze traditional First Amendment free speech issues in light of developing technologies. It will focus on traditional issues of national security, pornography, hate speech, the right to protest, freedom of information, academic freedom, and privacy concerns. It will explore the relationship between the First Amendment and IP and informatics concerns. Students will be asked to consider if the traditional approaches are adequate to deal with concerns about free expression in cyberspace and other new technologies.

(Professor Seng; one credit hour)

International Law Seminar: Comparative IP Protection Issues in China and the U.S.

This course examines features of Chinese and American IP laws that have figured prominently in recent efforts to develop and enforce IP interests in China. It will emphasize the means that U.S. concerns are using to protect their IP interests in China, as well as some of the perceived advantages and disadvantages of those methods. The class content will include an introduction to the IP system of China, including enforcement issues. Students will prepare a research paper on a topic related to IP in China.

(Professor Zhang; two credit hours)

Intellectual Property Survey

This course introduces students to the primary laws that protect IP in the United States (i.e., patent, trademark, copyright, and trade secret laws) and the policies underlying these laws. The course is intended for students interested in a general overview of IP and those preparing for more specialized IP courses. No technical background is expected or required. Grading will be based on a final examination in the last week of the course.

(Professors Collins and Yuan; three credit hours)
Featured Presenter

Judge James F. Holderman, of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, has been a U.S. district judge since 1985 and chief judge since 2006. During his more than 20 years on the bench, Judge Holderman has presided over numerous cases in all areas of federal jurisdiction. Before his appointment to the U.S. District Court, he was a partner in the law firm of Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal (now SNR Denton), where he specialized in federal court litigation across the United States, as well as an assistant United States attorney in Chicago. Judge Holderman is very active in intellectual property activities at The John Marshall Law School and has been teaching accelerated trial advocacy classes for more than a decade.

Faculty

Professor Maureen B. Collins teaches classes in trademark and copyright law at The John Marshall Law School. She also created and teaches a first-year writing course for students interested in IP law. Previously, Professor Collins was the director of the Legal Writing Program at DePaul University College of Law. Before her career in academia, Collins was an attorney at Sidley Austin LLP, where she practiced trademark, copyright, and advertising law. She specializes in protecting designs used in fabric art and has written and lectured on this topic. She wrote the “Legal Communications” column for the Illinois Bar Journal from 1995–2004.

Professor Benjamin P. Liu is the director of the Chinese Intellectual Property Resource Center and an assistant professor at The John Marshall Law School. He has been practicing IP law since 2004, first with Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP in New York, and then as an IP attorney in private practice in Chicago. Professor Liu has represented Asian and American clients in patent litigation, prosecution, and consulting. His research focuses on comparative patent law issues and biotech IP protection. At John Marshall, he teaches IP specialty courses, including Administrative IP Protection at the U.S. Border and Comparative Topics in U.S.-China Patent Law.

Professor Michael P. Seng has been on the faculty of The John Marshall Law School since 1976. He is the co-executive director of The John Marshall Law School Fair Housing Legal Support Center and Fair Housing Legal Clinic. He lectures nationally and publishes extensively on fair housing law. He is the coordinator of the law school’s Czech law program and also travels annually to the Czech Republic to teach. He publishes articles—in both English and Czech—in Czech law journals. Seng served as a Fulbright professor in Nigeria from 1983–1984 and as a visiting professor in the Czech Republic in 1996. He writes on civil rights issues.

Professor Arthur Yuan (JD ’04) is an adjunct professor and the executive director of the Chinese IP Resource Center at The John Marshall Law School. Prior to returning to John Marshall in 2010, Yuan was in private practice with the IP law firm Senniger Powers LLP. His practice specializes in preparing and prosecuting U.S. and foreign patents relating to mechanical art and the electronics and software industries, as well as counseling clients on U.S. and international IP matters. Professor Yuan teaches IP Survey (patent portion), Patent Attorney Opinions, and Patent Planning and Practice, volunteers at John Marshall’s patent clinic, and was also a co-coach of John Marshall’s 2011 Giles Rich Appellate Moot Court Team.

Professor Guangliang Zhang, PhD (LLM ’01) has been an associate professor at Renmin University of China Law School since 2010. Prior to joining Renmin University’s faculty, Zhang presided over hundreds of major IP cases in China as a judge of Beijing No. 1 Intermediate People’s Court from 1994–2007 and as the former acting chief judge of the Intellectual Property Tribunal. Zhang frequently speaks and lectures in China on IP matters and has written various books on IP topics, including Issues & Cases in Intellectual Property Enforcement, Civil Remedies for Intellectual Property Infringement, The Judicial Protection of Industrial Designs, and Study on Hot Issues of IPR Civil Litigation. He is also an adjunct professor at both Peking University and The John Marshall Law School.