

Subject card

Subject name and code	Intellectual Property Law for Managers and IT Engineer, PG_00208844						
Field of study	Finance and Accounting, Informatics and Econometrics, Management, Management of Healthcare Institutions, Sport Management						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Optional subject group		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		Polish Polish language		
Semester of study	2		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Centrum Interdyscyplinarnych Badań nad Prawem -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Hanna Wolska				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	15		1.0		34.0	50
Subject objectives	The student will acquire practical knowledge of Intellectual Property (IP), including copyright protection, industrial property rights, know-how, and the legal principles governing the use of software and digital resources. They will gain an understanding of the strategic role of intellectual property in the creation, development, protection, and commercialization of technology, as well as its impact on organizational operations and the work of IT professionals. Students will learn to analyze key provisions of technology-related agreements and licensing arrangements, identify legal risks associated with technology adoption and use, and understand the scope of individual responsibility within IT projects. Furthermore, they will develop the ability to collaborate effectively across legal, business, and technical functions through the analysis of practical case studies and the resolution of real-world challenges encountered in technology-driven environments.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[IiEL3_W01] Knows and understands to an advanced degree the nature and evolution of theories in management, quality sciences, economics, and finance, along with their place in the social sciences system—especially in applying informatics or statistics tools.	The student demonstrates advanced knowledge and understanding of the legal, economic, and organizational aspects of intellectual property management in information technology projects. The student understands the importance of IP protection, the principles governing technology licensing, and the impact of decisions related to the use of IT methods and tools on legal risk, project quality, and the effectiveness of management processes.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[ZSSML3_W01] Has advanced knowledge and understanding of the nature and evolution of theories in the fields of management and quality sciences, economics, and finance, along with their place in the social sciences system—in particular, their significance for business decision-making in relation to entities in the sports market.	The student demonstrates advanced knowledge and understanding of the nature and evolution of theories in management and quality sciences, as well as economics and finance, and their place within the system of social sciences, with particular emphasis on their significance in the process of business decision-making concerning entities operating in the sports market.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FiRL3_W01] Has advanced knowledge and understanding of the nature and evolution of management, quality, economics, and finance theories and their place in the social sciences system, particularly from the perspectives of finance and accounting	The student demonstrates advanced knowledge and understanding of the nature, evolution, and interrelationships of theories in the fields of management and quality sciences, economics, and finance, as well as their place within the broader system of social sciences. The student is able to explain and critically analyze key theoretical concepts, with particular emphasis on finance and accounting and their application in contemporary organizational practice.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[ZARZL3_W01] Has advanced knowledge and understanding of the nature and evolution of management, quality sciences, economics, and finance theories, along with their place in the social sciences system—particularly their relevance to business decision-making	The student demonstrates advanced knowledge and understanding of the nature and evolution of theories in management and quality sciences, as well as economics and finance, and their place within the system of social sciences, with particular emphasis on their significance in the process of business decision-making.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	• Intellectual property (IP) in the daily work of managers and programmers • How to read contracts and technology licenses • Technological decisions and legal risk • Personal responsibility in IT projects • Lawyer–business–IT collaboration (case studies)		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	test	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	1. Dobaczewska Anna, Powalowski Andrzej, Wolska Hanna, <i>Nowe prawo przedsiębiorców</i>, Wydawnictwo C.H. Beck, Warszawa 2018, ISBN 978-83-812-8052-5, ss. 188. 2. Barczewski Maciej, <i>Uniwersalny system ochrony praw autorskich</i>, 2020, Gdańsk, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego, ss. 157. 3. Barczewski Maciej, <i>Intellectual property rights in the WTO and access to medicines</i>, 2016, Gdańsk, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego, ss. 222 4. Wolska Hanna, <i>Model relacji pomiędzy krajowymi organami administracji publicznej a przedsiębiorcami</i>, Wydawnictwo C.H. Beck, Warszawa 2022	
	Supplementary literature	1. Barczewski Maciej, Sykuna Sebastian, <i>The Conceptual Scope of the Term "Creative Activity" Used in Article 1(1) of the Act on Copyright and Related Rights</i>. Gdańskie Studia Prawnicze, 2024, No. 4 (65), pp. 179–186.	
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	• Types of intellectual property: copyrights, patents, trademarks, industrial designs, and trade secrets. • Legal protection of IP: scope of protection, duration, and conditions for obtaining protection for different categories of IP. • IP ownership in IT projects: who owns the rights to source code, documentation, and team deliverables. • Licensing: principles of sharing and using works and software (including open source and commercial licenses). • Transfer of IP rights: assignment of proprietary rights (e.g., in employment contracts and B2B agreements). • IP infringement and liability: legal consequences of unauthorized use of another party's intellectual property. • IP and innovation: the role of intellectual property in technological development and protecting competitive advantage.
Work placement	Not applicable

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