

**SYLLABUS FOR THE BATCH
2026 TO 2027**

FOR

Certificate in Intellectual Property Rights and Startups

(Credit Based Evaluation and Grading System)

Semester: I

Examinations: 2026-2027

The Certificate Programme Offered:

- Certificate Course in Startups and Intellectual Property Rights (6 Months duration)



Program Outcomes:

Introduction about Intellectual Property Rights: Students shall be acquainted with the basic understanding about intellectual property rights.

Enhanced skills: The course will make students to understand IP lifecycle for the journey of startups.

Practical Experience: The students shall be able to formulate business strategy with IP Protection to attract investment in the startup ecosystem.

Career Readiness & Employability: The course shall make the students ready for the startup ecosystem.

Name of the Department: Laws

**In Collaboration with
Directorate of Open & Distance Learning and Online Studies**

GURU NANAK DEV UNIVERSITY AMRITSAR

Certificate in Intellectual Property Rights and Startups (Semester System)
Offered by Department of Law in Collaboration with Directorate of Open & Distance Learning and Online Studies, Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar

Eligibility:

- +2 or equivalent examination.
- Any student pursuing Bachelor Degree, Master Degree, M.Phil., Ph.D. from GNDU campus, affiliated or constituted colleges.

SEMESTER- I

Paper Code	Subject	Internal Assessment	End Term	Total	Credits
ODIPS101T	General Principles of IPR, Entrepreneurship and Startups	30	70	100	4
ODIPS102T	Law relating to Patents	30	70	100	4
ODIPS103T	Law relating to Trade Marks	30	70	100	4
ODIPS104T	Law relating to Copyrights and Designs	30	70	100	4
	Total Marks &Credits	120	280	400	16

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Subject Name: General Principles of IPR, Entrepreneurship and Startups

Subject Code: ODIPS101T (Semester – I)

Time: 03 Hours

Max. Marks: 100 Marks

Internal Assessment: 30 Marks

End Term: 70 Marks

Instructions for the Paper-Setter/examiner:

1. Question paper shall consist of Four sections.
2. Paper setter shall set Eight questions in all by selecting Two questions of equal marks from each section. However, a question may have sub-parts (not exceeding four sub- parts) and appropriate allocation of marks should be done for each sub-part.
3. Candidates shall attempt Five questions in all, by at least selecting One question from each section and the 5th question may be attempted from any of the Four sections.
4. The question paper should be strictly according to the instructions mentioned above. In no case a question should be asked outside the syllabus.

Section – A

-Intellectual property Rights

-Origin and Development

-Meaning and scope

IPR- International level

IPR – National Level

Section – B

-Entrepreneurship

-Introduction to Entrepreneurship

-Business Innovation

IPR and Entrepreneurship

-Entrepreneurship and Startups

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Section – C

- Startups
- overview and evolution of startups in India
- Startups vis-à-vis traditional business
- Key Players in Startups
- Importance of Startups

Section - D

- Challenges for startups
- Startup Support System
- Government Initiatives and Funding
- IPR for Startups

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Subject Name: Law Relating to Patents

Subject Code: ODIPS102T

(Semester – I)

Time: 03 Hours

Max. Marks: 100 Marks

Internal Assessment: 30 Marks

End Term: 70 Marks

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Section – A

- Law of Patents
- Concept and Scope of Patents
- Patentable Inventions
- Procedure of Patenting

Section – B

- Procedure of Patenting
- Rights and Obligations of Patenting
- Infringement of Patents
- Remedies

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Section – C

- Infringement of Patents
- Remedies
- Trademarks
- overview and scope
- Conditions of Registration
- Procedure for Registration

Section - D

- Infringement of Trade marks
- Remedies
- Passing Off

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Subject Name: Law relating to Copyrights and Designs

Subject Code: ODIPS103T

(Semester – I)

Time: 03 Hours

Max. Marks: 100 Marks

Internal Assessment: 30 Marks

End Term: 70 Marks

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Section – A

Copyright

- Overview and meaning of copyright
- Subject-matter of Copyright
- Registration Procedure

Section – B

- Rights of owners of Copyrights
- Assignment and license Rights
- Infringement of Copyrights
- Remedies

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Section – C

- Designs
- Basic Introduction
- Registration Procedure

Section - D

- Infringement of designs
- Remedies

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Subject Name: Law Relating to Trademarks

Subject Code: ODIPS104T

(Semester – I)

Time: 03 Hours

Max. Marks: 100 Marks

Internal Assessment: 30 Marks

End Term: 70 Marks

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Section – A

- Concept of Trade Marks
- Meaning of Trade Mark
- Types of Trade Marks
- Conditions for Registration

Section – B

- Procedure and Duration of Registration
- Effect of Registration
- Assignment and Transmission

Section – C

- Use of Trade Marks and Registered Users

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-Collective Marks

-Certification Trade Marks

Section - D

-Appellate Board

-Infringement

-Penalties and Procedure.