

## Intellectual Property Rights (C000957)

**Course size** *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

**Credits 3.0** **Study time 90 h**

**Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2025-2026**

A (semester 2)	Dutch	Gent	lecture
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**Lecturers in academic year 2025-2026**

Vanhees, Hendrik	RE21	lecturer-in-charge
Geiregat, Simon	RE21	co-lecturer

**Offered in the following programmes in 2025-2026**

	crdts	offering
<a href="#">Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology</a> (main subject Information Engineering Technology)	3	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Teaching in Science and Technology</a> (main subject Computer Science)	3	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Computer Science</a>	3	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Information Engineering Technology</a>	3	A

**Teaching languages**

Dutch

**Keywords**

Intellectual property, copyright, industrial property

**Position of the course**

This course gives an insight into the different ways to protect creations of the mind.  
Attention is also paid to the commercialisation of creations of the mind.

**Contents**

After a general introduction on the intellectual property rights, attention is paid to:

- copyright
- the protection of computer software
- the protection of databases
- patent law
- design law
- trademark law
- the protection of semiconductor chips
- the protection of trade secrets

**Initial competences**

None

**Final competences**

- 1 The students have to be familiar with the different intellectual property rights and must be able to choose the ideal system of protection for creations of the mind, and they need to know where (also territorial) and how to apply for protection.
- 2 The students must be able to solve practical cases.
- 3 The students must be able to develop a critical and problem solving attitude towards the problem of the protection of creations of the mind.

**Conditions for credit contract**

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

**Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

**Teaching methods**

Lecture

**Study material**

Type: Slides

Name: Intellectual property rights

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Language : Dutch

Available on Ufora : Yes

**References****Course content-related study coaching**

Information is given during the lectures

**Assessment moments**

end-of-term assessment

**Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**

Written assessment with open-ended questions

**Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period**

Written assessment with open-ended questions

**Examination methods in case of permanent assessment****Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

not applicable

**Calculation of the examination mark**

written exam: 100%