

My name is Hue, and I come from Vietnam. I first came to Taiwan in 2014 for a 3-month training course, to study Chinese in a Mandarin Training Center. During that period, I had a very beautiful time in Taipei, where I enjoyed not only an international living environment, but also the satisfaction of learning within a modern educational setting. This very positive environment led to the decision to continue my studies with a Master's degree in Taiwan.

### **Why did I choose to study IP at NTUT?**

Although intellectual property has become fundamentally important to our modern, connected society, individuals, management agencies and businesses in Vietnam are not always aware of its significance, and of the importance of respecting intellectual property in business. This shortcoming urged me to further my studies in this field.

There are very few universities that have established a Master program in Intellectual Property in Taiwan. I received enrolment permission from three universities in Taiwan, but finally chose to study at NTUT, since the courses in its Master's degree program were taught in both English and Chinese. This made it possible for me to improve my knowledge of both languages during my study time here. In addition, I was able to apply for a two-year study scholarship at NTUT. This university is located in the very central part of Taipei, so any student who likes to enjoy the atmosphere of crowds, shopping centers, night markets, cultural attractions, ... will find that it is very convenient and pleasant to explore the city.

### **The quality of the courses**

The decision to study in Taipei has enriched my academic and cultural experience. I think one of the most interesting aspects of my institute was that, in some courses the teacher was a judge from the Taiwanese Court or a highly skilled expert from a famous patent and trademark agency in Taiwan; in some of the other courses, the institute professors would invite different international experts to come to address our class, so that we could gain practical experience before seeking employment in the field of IP.

NTUT has also established student exchange programs with overseas partner universities. Students can have the opportunity to follow an IP course in a Japanese university, for a period of several months. Although I did not have time to join the Japanese course, my colleagues told me that it was very enjoyable.

### **Professors and classmates**

I have gained considerable knowledge from my university professors, who were always ready to conscientiously explain everything that I didn't understand. I was very impressed by their enthusiasm, professionalism and friendly assistance. In addition, I enjoyed the company of many talented classmates, who came from backgrounds in various different fields. Some of these classmates already had successful careers, and were pursuing further studies in IP at NTUT. Whenever I had difficulties in any particular subject, it was always possible to find an approachable classmate, willing to help me and to explain any problematic or challenging aspects of our curriculum.

Although I have now graduated from the institute, I will always feel grateful and appreciative towards my professors for their support during my study years. I really enjoyed their classes during my time at NTUT, and would sincerely recommend NTUT to any future student wishing to further his/her knowledge and experience in the field of intellectual property.

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