



Holy Cross College (Autonomous)
Nationally Re-Accredited with A+ by NAAC (CGPA 3.35-IV Cycle)
Nagercoil-629004, Kanyakumari District, Tamil Nadu, India.



INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS POLICY OF THE INSTITUTION

Vision

To promote the culture of Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Research to facilitate financial empowerment among students.

Scope

- ✦ This Policy shall apply to all personnel belonging to HCC associated with any research related activities in the form of IP.
- ✦ This Policy shall apply to all researchers and innovators who have established collaboration with HCC.

Objectives

The IP policy of HCC aims to:

- ✦ Create awareness about the economic, social and cultural benefits of IPRs.
- ✦ Provide more freedom and autonomy to researchers for IP creation and management in order to create a better eco-system for innovation and entrepreneurship.
- ✦ Facilitate the faculty members, scholars and students to obtain IP.
- ✦ Promote more research and innovation through a balanced IP management approach.
- ✦ Commercialize the IP owned by HCC.
- ✦ Sharing of the revenue generated by the intellectual property is to be owned by HCC.
- ✦ Enhance the reputation of HCC by bringing the IPR to public use.
- ✦ Recognize the contributions, efforts, aid and support of the inventor, the institution as well as any other relevant stakeholders.

IP Policy Statement

- ✦ The IPR cell shall provide awareness on patents, patent regime and registration aspects through workshops, seminars and training programmes.
- ✦ The IPR cell shall support the inventor/creator to approach the appropriate body and provide necessary guidance to apply for patent or copyright. For certain cases it can liaise with concern on possible ways.

- ✦ Researchers shall be encouraged to undertake patent search before publishing any research paper and subsequently file for a provisional patent for novel inventions.
- ✦ Researchers shall be encouraged to generate patentable outcome and the IP has to be registered as a patent or copyright before publishing the content.
- ✦ HCC shall be the joint owner of all invention(s) including product, process, designs and layouts created by a faculty member and or students arising out of R & D work done at HCC.
- ✦ All academic as well as research works including course materials for teaching and learning, books, articles, student projects/dissertations and Ph. D thesis are to be copyrighted and it is the responsibility of the author/creator to authenticate that their creation does not violate any copyright rules or ethical standards.
- ✦ The creator shall take responsibility to obtain adequate IP requirements such as trademarks, industrial designs, trade secrets, etc., for their creation.
- ✦ HCC shall be the owner of the copyright. However, the authors shall have the right to use the materials in his/her professional capacity.
- ✦ HCC shall provide financial assistance for patent filing process. The amount shall not exceed more than fifty percentage for Indian patent filing.
- ✦ HCC shall have the rights to market and commercialize the IP owned by it or assigned to it by the Inventor.
- ✦ The ownership of the trademarks/industrial designs created for institution shall be with HCC.
- ✦ Responsibility for timely and complete disclosure of potentially patentable inventions rests with the Inventor.
- ✦ Appreciations and awards shall be provided to encourage the successful research output in the form of patent filling.
- ✦ All inventors / creators are responsible for compliance with appropriate statutory bodies and ordinances related to the development and use of IP generated.
- ✦ All inventors / creators are expected to avoid potential and mutual conflicts of interest.
- ✦ The revenue generated through royalty payments will be shared among the inventor and HCC in the ratio of 70:30.
- ✦ The institution shall appoint an expert committee to decide the eligibility of applicants those who require financial support for research and relevant filing. In such cases the royalty ratio will be shared 30:70 among applicant and HCC.
- ✦ The cost incurred during the patent filing will be borne by the applicant at the time of application, however HCC may decide on the reimbursement or sharing of application cost as desired and recommended by the IPR Cell based on the nature of patents and effectiveness of patent to be filed.

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