



INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OF STUDENTS POLICY

Purpose:

To manage the intellectual property rights in materials created by students and allow for an equitable return on the financial returns from the commercial exploitation of such intellectual property.

Scope:

This policy applies to all AIB students.

Definitions

Unless otherwise defined in this document, all capitalised terms are defined in the [glossary](#).

Detail:

1. Intellectual Property of Students

1.1 AIB acknowledges that at law, ownership of intellectual property created by a student in the course of their studies with AIB is likely to vest with them as the originator on its creation. AIB therefore makes no claim to ownership of intellectual property created wholly by a student, except where:

- (a) a student has developed or created (whether wholly or in part) the intellectual property in the course of working as a staff member of AIB or on behalf of AIB, in which case it will be owned by AIB;
- (b) a third party has developed or created (whether wholly or in part) the intellectual property for or behalf of AIB, in which case it will be owned by AIB;
or
- (c) agreed in writing by AIB and a student.

1.2 AIB may require students working with or under the supervision of AIB's staff to assign or licence intellectual property rights to AIB and provide a waiver of moral rights in favour of AIB upon request. AIB will take reasonable steps to ensure that the moral rights of originators are respected.

1.3 Nothing in this policy shall restrict the rights of students to hold copyright in their theses and other forms of assessment exercises and to submit these for examination. AIB requires its examiners to keep confidential the contents of a thesis where necessary to enhance or preserve the value of intellectual property contained therein.

2. Sharing of Financial Returns

An equitable return will be provided to students on the financial returns from the commercial exploitation of students' intellectual property under paragraph 1 of this Policy. Any equitable return will be determined by AIB acting reasonably and, without limitation, the costs of, and reasonable charges related to, protecting, maintaining protection, marketing, administering and commercialising an item of intellectual property shall be a first charge against revenues received.

Related Forms:

Nil

Related Policies:

HR EP21 - Policy on Intellectual Property and Confidentiality

Copyright Policy

Responsibility:

Joint CEO - Operations

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