

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ON AI ETHICS & LAW



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ABOUT BIRLA GLOBAL UNIVERSITY



Birla Global University (BGU) is one of the fastest-growing private universities in India, committed to academic excellence, industry-driven learning, innovation, and holistic development. Established under the Birla Global University Odisha Act, 2015, BGU is a self-financed, unitary university situated on a sprawling 30-acre campus in Bhubaneswar.

The University is governed by an apex body—the Board of Governors—chaired by Smt. Jayashree Mohta, who also serves as the Chairperson of the Birla Academy of Art & Culture, the institution's principal promoter. The Honourable Governor of Odisha serves as the Chancellor of the University, reinforcing BGU's commitment to quality education and leadership development.

PROGRAMMES AT BGU

Presently, the University operates through the following seven schools:

- Birla School of Management: Ph.D. in Management, MBA, and BBA/BBA (Hons.)/BBA (Hons. with Research)
- Birla School of Communication: Ph.D. in Journalism & Mass Communication, M.A. and B.A. in Journalism & Mass Communication /B.A. in Journalism & Mass Communication (Hons.)/B.A. in Journalism & Mass Communication (Hons. with Research)
- Birla School of Commerce: Ph.D. in Commerce, M.Com, and B.Com/B.Com(Hons.)/B.Com(Hons. with Research)
- Birla School of Economics: Ph.D. in Economics, M.Sc. in Financial Economics, and B.Sc. in Economics /B.Sc. in Economics(Hons.)/B.Sc. in Economics(Hons. with Research)
- Birla School of Law: Ph.D. in Law, One -Year LL.M. (Specialization: Corporate and Commercial Law or Criminal Law), and Five-Year Integrated BBA LL.B. (Hons.)
- Birla School of Applied Sciences: Ph.D. in Computer Science, MCA, and BCA/BCA(Hons.)/BCA(Hons. with Research)
- Birla School of Engineering & Technology: B.Tech. in Computer Science & Engineering



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program provides a comprehensive understanding of the ethical, social, and legal implications of Artificial Intelligence (AI). It explores the intersection of AI and law, covering topics such as regulatory challenges, liability, privacy concerns, and intellectual property rights. The program also examines national and international AI policies, offering insights into how different countries regulate and promote AI development. Through case studies and legal frameworks, participants will gain a deeper awareness of AI's impact on society, governance, and compliance. By the end of the program, learners will be equipped with the knowledge to navigate the ethical and legal complexities of AI across various industries.



PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To develop a foundational understanding of ethical frameworks and legal principles relevant to the development, deployment, and governance of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies.
- To equip learners with the analytical skills necessary to evaluate and address ethical dilemmas and regulatory challenges posed by AI systems in various domains such as healthcare, finance, education, and public policy.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the program, participants will be able to:

- Identify and explain key ethical issues in AI technologies, including bias, accountability, transparency, and privacy.
- Interpret and apply national and international legal frameworks governing AI, such as the GDPR, Indian IT laws, and emerging AI policies.
- Critically evaluate real-world case studies involving ethical and legal controversies in AI deployment, using structured ethical reasoning.
- Propose ethically sound and legally compliant solutions to AI-related challenges in industry and policy contexts, demonstrating interdisciplinary understanding.



MODULES

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MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION TO AI AND ETHICS

MODULE 2: SOCIAL & ETHICAL ISSUES RELATED TO AI

MODULE 3: LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO AI

MODULE 4: AI REGULATORY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK- NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

MODULE 5: AI REGULATORY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK- INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

MODULE 6: LEGAL FRAMEWORK IN OTHER NATIONS

TEXT BOOKS & REFERENCES

TEXT BOOKS:

- Kevin D. Ashley, Artificial Intelligence and Legal Analytics (Cambridge University Press 2017).
- Marta Poblet and Roger Brownsword, The Future of Law and eTechnologies (Springer 2019).
- Matthew L. J. Milliner, The Law of Artificial Intelligence (Thomson Reuters 2020).
- Joe Sremack and Dennis Kennedy, Artificial Intelligence (American Bar Association 2019) for Lawyers.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

- Boddington, Paula, Artificial Intelligence and Ethics: A Critical Introduction (New York: Routledge, 2018).
- Gunkel, David J, Robot Rights, Cambridge (MA: MIT Press, 2018).



PROGRAM DELIVERY & ASSESSMENT

- Duration: 6-8 weeks (flexible); 30 hours with sessions held twice in a week
- Mode: Online
- Assessment: Case studies, quizzes, presentations, and project work

WHO SHOULD ENROLL?

- Legal professionals and policy makers
- Technology and AI professionals
- Academicians and researchers
- Students and early-career professionals
- Business leaders and entrepreneurs



PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATE

A Certificate of Participation will be awarded by Birla Global University, Bhubaneswar, upon successful completion of the program.



COURSE FEE & PAYMENT DETAILS

Course Fee: ₹3000

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RESOURCE PERSONS



Prof. Bhavana Sharma
(Course Co-ordinator)

Prof. Bhavana Sharma is an Associate Professor at Birla Global University, with over 23 years of experience in academia and advocacy. She holds a Post-Doctorate in "New Technologies & Law" from MICHRR, Italy, and a Ph.D. in Law, specializing in areas such as Cyber Law, Legal Tech, and AI Law.

Dr. Sharma has delivered 30+ lectures across the globe, authored 45 research papers, and edited three books. Her outstanding contributions to legal education and research have been recognized with several prestigious accolades, including the "Award of Honor" and the "Distinguished Academician Award."



Prof. Yatin Kathuria

Prof. Yatin Kathuria is an AI Ethicist and Governance Expert, currently serving as an Assistant Professor of Law at SLS Noida, Symbiosis International University. He holds a Ph.D. from Panjab University and specializes in AI governance, ethical implications, and emerging legal frameworks.

His research focuses on AI regulations, data privacy, and the legal impact of generative AI. Prof. Kathuria is also the founder of JustAI, an edtech platform dedicated to promoting AI literacy and responsible AI practices at both national and global levels.

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