



NATIONAL COUNCIL ON PATENT PRACTICUM

NCPD MINORITY SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

WHO IS NCPD?

The **National Council on Patent Practicum, Inc. (NCPD)**, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, oversees the development and operation of the **Certified Patent Practitioner (CPP) program**. The CPP credential is a professional designation that distinguishes those who have demonstrated experience, proficiency, knowledge, and understanding of patent drafting and prosecution through involvement in the patent preparation and prosecution processes.

THE NCPD WOMEN AND MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP

The NCPD is committed to providing opportunities and scholarships for minority applicants pursuing careers in the patent industry and striving to earn their Certified Patent Professional (CPP). Scholarship dollars can be applied to the following areas for scholarship recipients:

- Training and preparatory materials on the fundamental practices of patent drafting & prosecution – the goal is to ensure that the scholarship recipient will be practice-ready upon the completion of the program
- Certified Patent Practitioner (CPP) Exam testing fee to acquire the CPP credential
- Patent Agent Exam testing fee to acquire the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) registration number

BENEFITS OF SPONSORSHIP

When you partner with the NCPD to provide scholarships and resources to women and minority applicants, take advantage of the following benefits:

- First priority for hiring opportunities (internship, contract, part-time, and/or full-time employment) of scholarship recipients after program completion in 2019.
- Enhanced corporate image and increased brand visibility
- Connect with a valuable and prominent professional network
- Access to the top, certified talent via NCPD Student Database
- Demonstrate your firm's/company's commitment to inclusion and diversity in the patent field

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Level	Benefits
\$500 - \$1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firm/Company name or logo on NCPP website as a diversity scholarship sponsor • Branding opportunities at any NCPP events and via digital (e-blasts, social media)
\$1001 - \$3000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firm/Company name or logo on NCPP website as a diversity scholarship sponsor • Branding opportunities at any NCPP events and via digital (e-blasts, social media) • CPP test free for up to 2 associates/employees
\$3001-\$5000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firm/Company name or logo on NCPP website as a diversity scholarship sponsor • Branding opportunities at any NCPP events and via digital (e-blasts, social media) • CPP test free for up to 3 associates/employees • 6 Free patent CLEs towards CPP recertification for 1 year after initial certification year for CPP associates
\$5001-\$7500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firm/Company name or logo on NCPP website as a diversity scholarship sponsor • Prominent branding opportunities at any NCPP events and via digital (e-blasts, social media) • CPP test free for up to 5 associates/employees • 6 Free patent CLEs towards CPP recertification for 1 year after initial certification year for CPP associates/employees • Inclusion in NCPP's Directory of Approved Premier Firms/Companies with link to Firm/Company website
\$7501 - \$10000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firm Name/Logo on NCPP website as sponsor in prominent position • Prominent branding opportunities at any NCPP events and via digital (e-blasts, social media) • CPP test free for up to 5 associates/employees • 6 Free patent CLEs towards CPP recertification for 1 year after initial certification year for CPP associates/employees • 6 Free patent CLEs for non-CPPs for 1 year (8 people) • Inclusion in NCPP's Directory of Premier Firms/Companies with link to Firm/Company website • Free access to student database for employment needs