

About this Job

Osha Liang is currently seeking candidates having an engineering/science background for the team responsible for preparing and prosecuting patent applications. Individuals who are hired will be placed in our unique Patent Agent Program, a forward-thinking, highly effective method for training and developing technically and legally savvy individuals.

The Basics of the Patent Agent Program:

The Patent Agent Program serves as an apprenticeship in patent law. During the first year of employment, participants undergo a regular training schedule with a combination of in-house lectures and mentorship. During their studies, they also maintain technical expertise through daily application of technical knowledge by prosecuting patents. Upon completion of the one-year program, participants are expected to sit for and pass the Patent Agent Exam conducted by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. After passing this exam, they become patent agents. Patent Agents are given the opportunity to attend part-time law school while continuing their education within the Firm.

Core Responsibilities:

Patent engineers are problem solvers. When writing a patent application, they are required to study the technology and learn about the invention. During patent prosecution, they may need to determine how the invention differs from others in the marketplace. They can expect to spend half the day reading and studying the technical analysis of complex scientific topics within a particular patent application. The remainder of the day may be spent writing and scheduling future projects. Some days may be focused on technology in one field, while other days may require work in more than one technical area. Patent engineers, in collaboration with patent agents and attorneys, continuously work together to solve problems on behalf of clients.

Qualifications:

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, permanent legal residents, or otherwise authorized to work in the U.S. Individuals who have earned or will soon earn a degree from an accredited US University in one of the technical areas listed above with an extremely strong academic record (top 25%) are encouraged to apply. Masters and PhD level qualifications and/or industry experience are preferred, but not required. Candidates should enjoy drafting narrative and persuasive documents while critically analyzing and solving problems. Time management skills are also critical.

To apply, please send your resume, transcript(s), and technical writing sample to recruiting@oshaliang.com.

About Osha Liang:

Founded in 1997, Osha Liang is an intellectual property law firm with a global presence. With offices in Texas, California, Washington, D.C., France, China and Japan, our goal is to assist clients in protecting and enforcing their intellectual property interests worldwide. Recently ranked as one of the seven most loved IP boutique firms by in-house counsel and 45 in the list of Top Patent Firms according to IP Today, Osha Liang prides itself in being one of the most technically and legally proficient IP firms in the world, delivering to our clients the highest level of quality and customer service.

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