

## Technology Transfer Volunteer Internship

Purpose: To educate students on academic intellectual property generation and protection within the university setting, providing basic experience in technology transfer, exposing Ph.D students to alternate career pathways.

The University of Louisville Office of Technology Transfer (OTT) internship is an opportunity for students in the IPIBS program to gain experience and education in area of technology review, prior art searching, technology marketing and contract negotiation in the academic setting. This opportunity is directed towards students desiring to explore the alternate use of their Ph.D. as well as those wanting to explore identification of new technologies through academic research. The opportunity will be most appropriate for students entering their third year of graduate study.

Under the supervision of a Technology Manager, the student will evaluate new invention disclosures with Technology managers, conduct patentability and infringement searches, assist in portfolio evaluations of licensed and unlicensed technology, conduct marketing campaigns and negotiate contracts. Students will be responsible for triaging invention disclosures, writing reports, assessing commercial viability of inventions submitted to OTT, identifying potential investors or licensees, and/or developing marketing materials for our inventions. Students will be invited to attend internal staff presentations and engage with our team. This internship opportunity allows students to gain valuable experience which comprises an intersection of law, science, technology, and business. Interns will be expected to commit to at least 4 months of volunteer service, working 6-8 hours each week. Interns may on occasion participate remotely, but are encouraged to work on site at OTT, particularly at the beginning of the semester and when inspection of an invention and/or interaction with inventors is desirable. It is possible on occasion to conduct some work via video conferencing.

*The position is a volunteer internship that will provide the candidate with valuable experience that will be attractive to many future positions.*