INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW tries to balance the incentive to create with society's interest in spreading the benefits of innovation.

Virginia's IP program, combining a broad array of courses, hands-on clinics and professors who are focused on the real-world applications of their scholarship, offers students a unique foundation for exploring these challenges.

PATENT AND LICENSING CLINICS Being a good intellectual property lawyer requires adaptability in a dynamic field and an understanding of the realities of producing intellectual works.

RUN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA PATENT FOUNDATION, two patent and licensing clinics offer hands-on experience as students learn how and when to file patents and draft licensing agreements, deal with clients in the science and technology fields, and research and write about cutting-edge patent topics.

CLINIC I: PRACTICAL TRAINING IN PATENT DRAFTING AS WELL AS THE NEGOTIATION AND DRAFTING OF PATENT AND SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENTS. Clinic participants may:
- EVALUATE inventions and computer software for patentability and commercial value
- COUNSEL UVA faculty inventors on patentability, inventorship and the patenting process
- DEAL with patent examiners and research current issues in IP and technology transfer
- PREPARE, file and prosecute provisional U.S. patent applications

CLINIC II: STUDENTS WORK EXCLUSIVELY WITH PATENT ATTORNEYS DRAFTING, FILING AND PROSECUTING PATENT APPLICATIONS. Alternatively, students may choose to work exclusively with licensing agents to draft license agreements, negotiate terms and conditions, and prepare confidentiality agreements and marketing documents.

PROFESSOR JOHN DUFFY recently served on the winning legal team for a U.S. Supreme Court case that will have a significant impact on patent infringement litigation. The 8-0 decision in TC Heartland v. Kraft Food Brands Group will significantly curb so-called “forum-shopping” by plaintiffs for a friendly court venue.
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