

The Chicago Intellectual Property Colloquium Fellowship Program: Spring 2017

Chicago-Kent College of Law and Loyola University Chicago School of Law are pleased to sponsor the annual Chicago Intellectual Property Colloquium. Each year, Chicago-Kent and Loyola bring six nationally renowned intellectual property scholars to Chicago to present and discuss their current research projects. Colloquium participants include intellectual property faculty from Chicago-area schools, prominent intellectual property practitioners, and a group of select students from Chicago-Kent and Loyola (“Chicago IP Colloquium Fellows”).

Students who are selected as Colloquium Fellows will enjoy a unique opportunity to participate in discussions with leading scholars and practitioners concerning cutting-edge topics in the areas of intellectual property law and cyberlaw. The Colloquium offers an opportunity to students to advance their understanding of intellectual property law in a forum that brings together all of Chicago’s educational and professional communities and that goes beyond traditional classroom-based learning. This is an exceptional opportunity for any student interested in obtaining a greater depth of knowledge concerning these areas or in participating in the development of intellectual property scholarship.

In Spring 2017, the six scholars who will present, and their topics, are:

January 24: Professor Eva Subotnik, St. John’s University School of Law, *Free as the Heir?: Copyright Successors as Stewards*

February 7: Professor David Schwartz, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, *An Empirical Analysis of the Patent Litigation Process*

February 21: Professor Jake Linford, Florida State University College of Law

March 21: Professor Stephanie Bair, BYU Law, *Smart Patent Applications*

April 4: Professor Sarah Rajec, William & Mary Law School, *In Rem in IP*

April 18: Professor Pamela Samuelson, UC Berkeley School of Law, *Strategies for Managing Copyright/Patent Boundaries in Software*

To facilitate an engaged dialogue between students, other colloquium participants, and invited scholars, the IP Colloquium faculty from Chicago-Kent and Loyola* will lead Colloquium Fellows in discussion of background materials during the week prior to each formal presentation by an invited scholar. These “pre-presentation” sessions will provide Colloquium Fellows with the benefit of faculty guidance in developing expertise in new areas of the law, as well as developing skills necessary to actively critique scholarship.

*The principal Colloquium faculty will be Professors Ed Lee, Cynthia Ho, Matthew Sag, and Julie Leichtman, but may also include other IP faculty from Chicago-Kent or Loyola.

The IP Colloquium Fellows will be selected based on academic ability, experience in intellectual property and technology law, and a demonstrated interest in exploring intellectual property scholarship.

Application Deadline: October 28 at 12:00 PM

Eligible Students: All J.D. students who have completed at least one full year at Chicago-Kent or Loyola by Fall 2016 are eligible; in other words, 2Ls, 3Ls, and 4Ls are eligible. Students pursuing LL.M. degrees are also eligible.

Number of Fellowships: Up to 8 Fellows will be chosen from each participating law school.

Fellowship Requirements:

Fellows are expected to attend and be fully prepared for each of the Colloquium sessions as well as the pre-presentation sessions. Participation at these sessions is mandatory.

Fellows will receive one hour of ungraded (Pass/Fail) credit.

All scholar presentations will take place on Tuesdays from 4:10 PM - 5:50 PM, with sessions alternating between Chicago-Kent and Loyola. The dates and titles of scholarly presentations are listed above.

Pre-presentation sessions will take place from 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM on the Tuesday of the week preceding each presentation. Thus, these sessions will take place on January 17, January 31, February 14, March 14, March 28, and April 11. These sessions will occur concurrently at both Chicago-Kent and Loyola, with the sessions being connected by the use of video-conference facilities.

Application Components:

- (1) Application **cover sheet** (see attached)
- (2) **Law school transcript** (unofficial copy acceptable)
- (3) **Current resume**
- (4) **Fellowship interest essay** (no longer than two pages double-spaced, 12 size font) responding to the question: What is the most important issue facing intellectual property law in the 21st century and why?

Application Process: All applications will be reviewed by a committee of IP faculty drawn from Chicago-Kent and Loyola. The Spring 2017 Chicago IP Colloquium Fellows will be selected as soon as practically possible and ideally prior to the beginning of Spring 2017 registration.

Send Application to:

- (1) Chicago-Kent students: Professor Lee via email at elee@kentlaw.iit.edu or Room 729
- (2) Loyola students: Professor Ho via email at cho@luc.edu

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Spring 2017 Cover Sheet:

(Please print or type)

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Name	School (Chicago-Kent or Loyola)	
_____	_____	
Expected Graduation Month & Year	Degree Pursued (J.D. or LL.M.)	
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Address	Day phone	Evening phone
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City, State	Zip Code	E-mail

Prior IP Course-work or Experience

Please list any and all prior (or current) IP/cyberlaw course-work or experience that you have had:

I hereby apply for a Chicago IP Colloquium Fellowship. I certify that all of the information contained in my application is accurate and complete. I understand that it is my responsibility to notify the law school with any changes to this application. I understand that the fellowship is a one-semester commitment that requires me to take no other classes on Tuesdays from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM since that would conflict with the fellowship.

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Signature	Date

Fellowship Interest Essay

Please, in no more than two pages double-spaced (12 size font) respond to this question: What is the most important issue facing intellectual property law in the 21st century and why?