



THE TECHNOLOGY FELLOWS PROGRAM

The Technology Fellows Program at UCLA's Technology Development Group (TDG) is designed to expose UCLA graduate students to the business of technology transfer and intellectual property management. This program provides students with in-depth, hands-on experience in technology evaluation, marketing, and commercialization. Fellows work with TDG business development officers and staff on a part-time basis and will be paid a competitive hourly rate. Participation in the Technology Fellows Program is a unique educational experience that gives students the opportunity to contribute to the commercialization of UCLA technologies.

Eligibility

The Technology Fellows Program is highly competitive and open to all UCLA graduate students. We particularly encourage applications from graduate students in the life sciences, physical sciences, engineering, chemistry, computer science, and business. Candidates are expected to commit up to 10 hours per week to the program, with most assignments being completed remotely.

Selection Criteria

Candidates are evaluated against the following criteria:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Enthusiasm and willingness to take on new challenges
- Demonstrated interest in technology transfer
- Strong technical backgrounds in the biological sciences, physical sciences or engineering.
- Commitment and availability for 10 hours per week (for a minimum of two quarters)

Application Process

We are currently accepting applications for the Technology Fellows Programs.

For questions on the Tech Fellows Program please contact David Riccardo at david.riccardo@tdg.ucla.edu. If you are interested in applying, please contact David with a resume and cover letter.

To learn more about what we do please go to: www.tdg.ucla.edu

Technology Fellows Alumni –Where are they now?



Over the past several years, alumni of UCLA TDG's technology fellows program have successfully established careers in various fields, including technology transfer, management consulting, patent law, venture capital, and business development.

WHAT IS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER?

Technology Transfer is the business of "transferring" inventions from the research lab to the marketplace. Typically, an organization's technology transfer office comprises professionals who manage inventions, facilitate the prosecution of patents, market new technologies, negotiate and manage numerous types of agreements, assist with start-up company formation, and ensure compliance with federal, state, and corporate sponsors of research.

Most research universities, federal labs, and mid-to-large sized companies have a tech transfer or intellectual property commercialization program. At UCLA, technology transfer is handled by the Technology Development Group (TDG).

ARTICLES/NEWSLETTERS/RESOURCES

Below are selected links to articles and resources one may find of interest when considering a career in technology transfer:

- Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM) [[more](#)]
- Licensing Executives Society (LES) [[more](#)]
- Technology Transfer: Licensing Intellectual Property from Universities to Industry [[more](#)]
- FLC Newslink is the Federal Lab Consortium (FLC) newsletter highlighting technology transfer news from US federal labs. [[more](#)]