**Internship Program**

In September of every year, Innovation Ventures launches its internship program where Rutgers postdoctoral trainees and senior graduate students interested in pursuing alternative careers in Intellectual Property Law, Business Development, and/or Academic Technology Transfer are invited to apply to the internship program.

**Requirements:**

* Minimum of 2 semesters commitment to the program
* Ability to dedicate 5-10 hours/week -- 2-3 hours for attending lectures or meeting with ORC staff remotely, and additional 3-7 hours to be spent carrying out projects
* Approval of your PI or Advisor (signature required on application)

**Elements of the Program:**

The program will begin with several lecture-style sessions on Intellectual Property Law, Invention Evaluation, Contracts/Agreements relevant for academic Tech Transfer, Technical Writing, Marketing and Licensing. After each session, assignments will be given. Participants will be expected to reach a certain level of expertise to carry out basic invention evaluation and marketing independently with minor supervision.

**What you will learn:**

You will be exposed to the exciting world of Academic Technology Transfer; you will learn the necessary steps that are needed in order to effectively protect and commercialize the results of scientific research. You will learn how to evaluate an Invention Disclosure, prepare Non-Confidential Summaries, and identify and reach out to prospective licensees. You will learn about negotiation of the business terms of various agreements that govern Technology Transfer in an academic university.

**How to Apply:**

To be considered for the program, please:

* Fill out the [**Application Form**](https://orc.rutgers.edu/sites/orc.rutgers.edu/files/ORC_internship_annct2019.pdf) **(to be updated)**
* Attach your **CV**
* Include a brief statement on the **nature of your interest**
* Send all the above to Dr. Yong Zhang at [yong.zhang@rutgers.edu](mailto:yong.zhang@rutgers.edu)

Applications will be reviewed, and interviews may be conducted as needed.

Please reach out to Dr. Yong Zhang ([yong.zhang@rutgers.edu](mailto:yong.zhang@rutgers.edu)) or Dr. Lisa Lyu ([lisa.lyu@rutgers.edu](mailto:lisa.lyu@rutgers.edu)) for any questions or additional information.