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TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION LAW, AND ETHICS (TILE) PROGRAM

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This month, 2Ls and 3Ls pre-register for spring courses. Accordingly, this issue of the newsletter will summarize the TILE courses available and highlight some new offerings for Spring 2025.

NEWS

Mark your Calendars: This semester, TILE monthly meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month in **room 109 at noon**. A light lunch will be provided for those who attend in person. If you cannot attend in person, here is the Zoom link for all fall semester TILE meetings (apologies for past Zoom issues, which are hopefully now resolved).

- Our event on **Tuesday, November 12** is co-sponsored by the Intellectual Property Law Society (IPLS), and will feature a panel of attorneys specializing in the areas of gaming and music, including:
    - Kathy Kim Carpenter (Wizards of the Coast and SU Law alumna '95)
    - Professor Jeffrey Omari (starting at Seattle U Law in fall 2025)
    - Cayle Sharratt (SubPop Records and SU Law alumnus '13)
    - Professor Chad Smith (Trademark Law Clinic and co-instructor in spring 2025 course in Practical Video Game and Interactive Entertainment Lawyering)
    - Professor Mark Wittow (Arts Legal Clinic)

- Spring TILE Events will be held in room 309. Further details will be provided in January:
    - **Tuesday, February 11** (Privacy Law Students Association program)
    - **Tuesday, March 11** (an introduction to the Summer Institute for Technology, Innovation, and Ethics (SITIE) Program)

o **Tuesday, April 8** (Artificial Intelligence Law Society program)

REMINDER—TILE Courses for Winter Intersession (Monday January 6 – Friday, January 10, 2025): If you're interested in picking up one or two credits over the winter break, TILE offers a couple of IP/tech courses during Winter Intersession, including a new IP licensing skills course. The Registrar will post information about these and Spring 2025 courses later this month and will open pre-registration on November 7:

- **Practical Skills for Technology and IP Licensing** (taught by Lawton-Abbott & Tonnes) 1 credit
- **Visual Litigation & Today's Technology** (taught by Clark) 2 credits

REMINDER—Spring 2025 Courses (Including 7 New Courses!): Next semester, TILE will offer courses that address multiple aspects of law and technology. A couple of the interdisciplinary courses are highlighted in more detail here because of the limited enrollment. The full list is below:

- **Investing in AI companies: Tech, Business, and Legal Perspectives (INTP-396) 2 credits**

  How do venture capitalist firms choose which start-ups they will invest in? In interdisciplinary teams of engineering, business and law students you will conduct tech, financial, and legal diligence on an actual AI start-up in Seattle and prepare an investment memorandum for a Seattle-based venture capitalist firm. Taught by tech, legal and business industry experts and academics, this course will also include guest lectures from founders of the AI start-ups and venture capitalists. You will learn how to evaluate AI start-ups intellectual property and legal risk, marketing plans, future growth, viability of the technology in the competitive landscape, long-term exit strategy, and financial diligence. No prerequisites. *Limited to 12 students* (4 from business school, 4 from law school and 4 from science & engineering); cross Listed with Albers School of Business & Economics and College of Science and Engineering courses and meets on the quarter schedule.

- **Ethical Legal Tech Innovation (LPRC-440) 2 credits**

  This course offers Law students a unique opportunity to collaborate with graduate Computer Science students to design and prototype legal technology

tools aimed at addressing challenges in legal workflows and access to justice. The interdisciplinary teams of students will work together to develop and present a legal technology project. Throughout the process, students will examine key ethical and design considerations. The course will include both synchronous class sessions and flexible, self-scheduled group work outside of the classroom. No pre-requisites. ***Limited to 4 Law students*** (to participate in 2 teams with 2-3 Computer Science students on each team). A technical background is not required. To apply, send a statement of interest to Professor Thompson at thompsol@seattleu.edu by November 12.

- Except where indicated, all courses listed below are open to all degree tracks (new course indicated by *):
    - Advertising Law (Lorbiecki)*
    - Artificial Intelligence & the Law (Tapia)*
    - Arts Legal Clinic (Borstein-Swope & Wittow)
    - Aviation & Space Law (Dubose)
    - Copyright Law (J. Goak)
    - The Business of IP (Tapia)
    - Cybercrime: Law and Policy (Hayes)
    - Cybersecurity Planning, Incident Response, and Litigation (McDaniel & Cosson)
    - Ethical Legal Tech Innovation (Thompson & Hanks)*
    - Foundations of Privacy Law (Harkins)
    - Health Law Technology and Policy (Kayam)*
    - Intellectual Property (Chon) [on-line; meets by Zoom once a week]
    - Introduction to Financial Technology (Vincent & Ingraham)
    - Investing in AI companies: Tech, Business, and Legal Perspectives(Kalantry, Rowan & Wahi)*
    - Practical Video Games & Interactive Entertainment Lawyering (Ch. Smith & Co. Smith)*
    - Professional Responsibility Tech Lab (Thompson) (preference given to LL.M. students)
    - Right of Publicity (Cumbow)*
    - Trademark Law Clinic (Ch. Smith)

University Campus Events: Seattle University has launched a [Tech Ethics Initiative](#), which is sponsoring two events in November open to the public:

- Professor Joe Barnes (Marketing, Albers) will talk about his latest book [Social Media Safety: What Parents and Teens Need to Know](#) (Nov. 12, 12:30-1:25, Bannan 629). Here is the event [info](#).
- Professor Gary Marcus (Emeritus, NYU) will deliver a public lecture on his latest book [Taming Silicon Valley: How We Can Ensure That AI Works for Us](#) (Nov. 19, 5:00-6:30, Pigott Auditorium). Here is the event [info](#). There will be a limited number of free copies of the book to distribute.

E-Discovery Workshops Coming Soon: The Law Library is pleased to offer a series of e-discovery workshops beginning in January. Students will have the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of e-discovery, and to interact with DISCO, an e-discovery platform. Dates and locations will be announced soon in the Student Newsletter.

Quotes from our TILE Professors: Over the summer, TILE Research Assistant and 3L [Ania Smeraldo](#) interviewed some of our adjuncts and visiting professors, to get their perspectives on what their courses offer students. Here are some quotes from [Visiting Professor Chryssa Deliganis](#), who is teaching a seminar on [Food and Drug Regulation](#) this semester:

- There are so many issues *right now* to discuss. One of them is the FDA's denial of MDMA, a psychedelic that has been closely studied just recently for its potential to help people with chronic PTSD. The study appeared to be very positive, but the FDA decided to not OK any use of MDMA for that purpose. There are a lot of people suffering, especially military population, suffering from PTSD. These topics are fascinating and consequential. [And] there are so many interesting psychological issues going on, for example from the pandemic with vaccine hesitation, and biologics is on our syllabus. The FDA's expeditious approval of these vaccines saved many lives.
- Shilpa Prem from Amazon's startup sector called Amazon Lab 126 will be a guest speaker to discuss emerging new technologies and how you navigate the regulatory gauntlet.

Did you know . . .

- that TILE not only permits but encourages reposting of this newsletter and/or other TILE news on social media. If you see a TILE-related announcement here or elsewhere that you think would be of interest to others, please share the content with your networks! We appreciate your willingness to spread the word about the Program.

Check here for other TILE announcements and news! If you have announcements or news to include in next month's newsletter, please contact TILE faculty co-directors Professors Steven Bender and/or Margaret Chon.