

Intro to Intellectual Property (IP)

If you met a graduate student in their first week of grad studies, would you call that person “Doctor”? Of course not....that answer would show that you don’t understand how graduate studies works. So, how about when someone asks you if there is IP associated with your research project? Is your reply revealing a deep understanding of how IP works or a deep misunderstanding? If IP exists for your amazing technology, should you say you have “a patent”, “a patent application”, or what about “patent pending”? What about trademark, copyright, or trade-secrets? How is being an inventor different than being an author of a paper? Can you file a patent application after your idea is revealed at a conference or in a published article?

On Fri Oct 5, from 11:30-12:30, Queen’s chemical patent agent and QCIC member, Angela Lyon, will be speaking at the seminar series to go over some basics of intellectual property. This will be an informal talk and all questions are welcome. Many thanks to Ridout & Maybee LLP for sponsoring a pizza lunch for attendees of this event.