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WELCOME
FROM THE BCLT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In unprecedented ways, the global pandemic is challenging institutions of all kinds and each of us personally. At the same time, our nation is faced with the still powerful forces of racism. The law, particularly as it relates to technology, has a huge role in both responding to the pandemic and advancing anti-racism.

In this time of crisis and potential reform, the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology (BCLT) offers you a wealth of opportunities to expand your knowledge and begin charting your careers.

Our faculty directors work hard each year to ensure that the law and technology curriculum is broad, deep, and current. At the same time, your professors produce groundbreaking scholarship that is shaping the global debate on tech policy. After you get past your first semester, you might consider working for one of the faculty as a research assistant.

Online every Tuesday and Thursday, we will host practicing attorneys who will share with you their experiences in the law, introducing you to a wide range of practice areas. Throughout the year, our conferences will feature academics, in-house counsel, judges, and law firm attorneys. Take time from your coursework to expose yourself to these broader perspectives.

BCLT conducts a series of career events during the year, plus a summer reception with law firms. These will be online until it is safe to convene in person. Also, we support a wide range of student groups, which allow you to develop friendships and pursue interests extending beyond the classroom.

I urge you to take advantage of these and the other BCLT resources during the next three years. To learn about all our events and opportunities, sign up for our weekly eNews at bclt@law.berkeley.edu or email Matthew Ray at matthewray@berkeley.edu. Matthew is our Assistant Director for Program Development & Student Engagement.

If you have any questions, please contact Matthew or me or our Associate Director, Jann Dudley. Our commitment is to provide you with a rich and diverse educational experience, to prepare you for lifelong careers in technology law.

Jim Dempsey is the Executive Director of the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology. A leading expert on privacy and cybersecurity, Dempsey has experience as a judicial law clerk, a law firm attorney, a Capitol Hill staffer, a non-profit leader, and a Presidential appointee. Before joining BCLT, Jim spent 18 years with the Center for Democracy & Technology, serving as its executive director from 2003 to 2005 before moving to California to open CDT West. Dempsey led CDT’s Global Internet Policy Initiative, which worked with government officials, industry, and human rights organizations on internet policy issues in developing and transitional countries, and he founded Digital Due Process, a diverse coalition working to update the Electronic Communications Privacy Act. From 2012 to January 2017, after confirmation by the U.S. Senate and appointment by the President, he served as a part-time member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, an independent agency charged with advisory and oversight roles regarding the nation’s counterterrorism programs.
BCLT’s COMMITMENT TO ANTI-RACISM

June 29, 2020

In the pain and outrage that has swept our nation in the summer of 2020, we see the possibility of meaningful reforms to address racism in America. The Berkeley Center for Law & Technology is committed to anti-racism. We outline here what that means for our organization and how we seek to operationalize it throughout our activities and partnerships.

We condemn the senseless killings of Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, and Ahmaud Arbery, the persistent pattern of police brutality against Black people and other persons of color, and the systemic disparities in our society that have resulted in the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of color. We stand with all communities harmed by racism, including students, staff, and faculty of the law school who are Black, indigenous, and people of color.

BCLT is the focal point at the UC Berkeley School of Law for activities focused on the role of technology in society. As such, we acknowledge and seek ways to further explore and address the intersections of technology, race, and justice.

We acknowledge and condemn the racial disparities and structural inequities that corrupt the development and deployment of technology in America today, from the discriminatory impact of applications of artificial intelligence, to the role of surveillance technologies in the policing and carceral practices that disproportionately harm Black people, the internet’s role in spreading hate, and the underrepresentation of Black persons and other persons of color in the technology sector and in tech-related aspects of law practice.

We strongly support, in contrast, the empowering potential of technology: social media tools that can give voice to the voiceless and support organizing for social change; the use of cell phone cameras to document police violence previously shielded from accountability; the potential of intellectual property laws, properly designed, to create opportunities for creative individuals of any race and to promote rather than restrict access to medicines, infrastructure, and knowledge; and technology’s role in increasing access to education and information for people otherwise constrained from freely accessing such resources.

As Dean Erwin Chemerinsky reminds us, “We, as a Law School, have a special role and responsibility to play in ensuring justice.” Condemnations of racism and expressions of solidarity are not enough. Thus, in consultation with students and our wider community, we are taking steps to more deeply and consciously address issues of race through all aspects of our work.
BCLT’s COMMITMENT TO ANTI-RACISM

As initial actions, the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology commits to:

1. Relaunch and promote the Berkeley Technology Law Journal scholarship fund, to support enrollment and graduation of students from traditionally underrepresented groups interested in pursuing careers in technology law.
2. Expand our undergraduate STEM outreach efforts to attract more applicants to Berkeley Law who are Black, indigenous or persons of color.
3. Host as speakers at our events more attorneys, scholars and others who are Black, indigenous and people of color, not only on issues of race and technology, but also on other aspects of intellectual property law, privacy law, and other areas of tech-related law.
4. Incorporate resources on issues at the intersection of technology and race into the materials we prepare for our conferences or circulate to students.
5. Financially and administratively support student groups and student activities that address issues at the intersection of technology and race.
6. Encourage BCLT-supported student organizations to address issues of racism or racial justice in their programming and to include students of color in their leadership.
8. Promote attention to issues at the intersection of law and race in our curriculum, symposia, seminars, and workshops.
9. Build collaboration with institutions and organizations within and outside the law school in their anti-racism efforts related to technology law and policy.
10. Work with our sponsoring law firms to substantially increase representation in all areas of tech-related law of attorneys who are Black, indigenous, or person of color.

These are first steps. Guiding and informing these and further actions is our commitment to listen to and learn from students, faculty, staff, practicing attorneys and others who are Black, indigenous or persons of color. The challenges of ending systemic racism in the law as experienced, in technology as it suffuses our lives, and in society in general are immense. We look forward to working with students, faculty, staff, and external partners in pursuit of these goals.
CURRICULUM

Berkeley Law offers a remarkably rich curriculum on technology issues: over 40 courses a year, ranging from the intellectual property survey class to the intensive learning experience provided by the Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic to advanced courses and seminars on patent prosecution, antitrust, privacy, computer crime, telecoms, the law affecting the entertainment industry—even a course on wine law.

Annually, the faculty directors reassess the curriculum to ensure that it covers emerging topics that our students will encounter in practice. Recent additions to our course catalogue include:

**Biotechnology Law**

Co-taught by two in-house counsel at biotech companies. Other recent courses on life sciences have examined reproductive and genetic technologies and pharmaceutical policy, focused on biotherapeutics.

**Cybersecurity**

We now have three courses on cybersecurity: one explores the legal, political, social, economic, and military factors that shape cybersecurity problems and their management, another focuses on the legal doctrines that define this rapidly developing field, and a cybersecurity reading group.

**Privacy Counseling and Compliance**

Considers the growing role for attorneys in the design of products and services.

**Social Media Law**

To be offered in Fall 2021, this course will examine legal issues that have uniquely developed around social media, including First Amendment, privacy and targeted advertising, Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, and efforts to protect vulnerable populations from exploitation through social media.

There are also some exciting tech-related courses offered under our business law curriculum, including courses on Hollywood contracts and on the regulation of disruptive technologies.

**LAW & TECHNOLOGY CERTIFICATE**

The Law & Technology Certificate recognizes a student’s sustained commitment to technology law through successful completion of a prescribed number of tech-related courses plus participation in a student-led activity. The curricular requirements emphasize depth and breadth while affording students flexibility in adapting their course of study to a range of career paths. **Refer to p.13 for complete certificate requirements.**
Here are the law and technology courses and seminars Berkeley Law expects to offer for the 2020-2021 academic year. For the most up to date and accurate course listing, please refer to the Berkeley Law courses page.

### FALL 2020

- Biotechnology Law
- Chinese IP Law
- Computer Law
- Cybersecurity in Context
- Entertainment Law in the TV Industry
- Information Privacy Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- Intro to Information Privacy (1L)
- Law & Technology Writing Workshop
- Negotiating Hollywood Contracts
- Network Neutrality Seminar
- Patent Prosecution
- Regulating Internet Platforms (1L)
- Samuelson Clinic and Seminar
- Advanced Samuelson Clinic and Seminar
- Secrecy: The Use and Abuse of Information in the Courts (1L)
- Technological Disruption and Social Justice (1L)
- Topics in Privacy and Security Law
- Trade Secret Law and Litigation
- Trademark Law
- Video Game Law
- Wine Law
- When Technology Meets a Criminal Case (1L)

### SPRING 2021

- Advanced IT Contracts: Drafting and Negotiating
- Antitrust and Innovation
- Antitrust and Technology Platforms
- Art and Cultural Property Law
- Computer Crime Law
- Computer Programming for Lawyers
- Copyright Law
- Advanced Copyright Seminar
- Cybersecurity Law and Policy
- Disruptive Technologies & Regulation
- Future of Cybersecurity Workshop
- Intellectual Property Law
- Patent Law
- Patent Litigation I
- Privacy Counseling & Compliance
- Samuelson Clinic and Seminar
- Advanced Samuelson Clinic and Seminar
- Space Law
- Technological Disruption Seminar
- Technology for Lawyers
- The Business of Intellectual Property
- Topics in Sports Law
- Topics in Pharma Policy: Biotherapeutics

### SAMUELSON LAW, TECHNOLOGY & PUBLIC POLICY CLINIC

Founded in 2001, the Samuelson Law, Technology and Public Policy Clinic provided the first opportunity in legal academia for students to represent public interest clients in key debates and litigation at the intersection of law and technology. Today, it is the leader in a growing movement of clinics that give law students hands-on training in advocacy in the areas of intellectual property, technology, and civil liberties.
Catherine Crump is Director of the Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic and Clinical Professor of Law. Her work focuses on the application of First and Fourth Amendment principles to government use of new technologies, in particular to government surveillance. She has litigated cases in state and federal court and testified before state legislatures, Congress, and the European Parliament. Recent projects include a focus on street-level policing, including deployment of police body-worn cameras and the use of GPS tracking on youth in the juvenile justice system.

Catherine Fisk joined the Berkeley Law faculty in 2017 as the Barbara Nachtrieb Armstrong Professor of Law. She teaches courses on the law of work, and also on the legal profession and freedom of speech and association. She writes in the fields of labor and employment, employee-generated intellectual property, sociolegal history, and the legal profession. Professor Fisk has written several major works on employer-employee disputes over intellectual property, including Working Knowledge: Employee Innovation and the Rise of Corporate Intellectual Property, 1800-1930 (UNC Press 2009), which won prizes from the American Historical Association and the American Society for Legal History. Her current research includes labor, antitrust, and IP issues affecting dramatists working in commercial theatre and labor organizing among gig workers in tech and video game writers.
Orin S. Kerr joined the faculty at Berkeley Law in July 2019. Kerr specializes in criminal procedure and computer crime law, and he has also taught courses in criminal law, evidence, and professional responsibility. His scholarship has been cited in more than 3,000 academic articles. In addition to writing law review articles, Kerr has authored popular casebooks, co-authored the leading criminal procedure treatise, and published countless blog posts at popular blogs such as the Volokh Conspiracy and Lawfare.

Sonia Katyal is Chancellor’s Professor of Law. Her scholarly work focuses on intellectual property, civil rights (including gender, race and sexuality), information law, and entrepreneurship. Her current projects consider the intersection between technology, internet access and civil/human rights, including the right to information; the intersection between trade secrets and algorithmic discrimination; and the role of platforms in reforming current approaches to trademark law. Professor Katyal is the co-author of Property Outlaws (Yale University Press, 2010) (with Eduardo Peñalver). In March of 2016, Professor Katyal was selected by U.S. Commerce Secretary Penny Pritzker to be part of the U.S. Commerce Department’s Digital Economy Board of Advisors.

Chris Jay Hoofnagle is a teaching professor in the School of Law with a dual appointment in the School of Information. He is the author of Federal Trade Commission Privacy Law and Policy (Cambridge University Press) and Law and Policy for the Quantum Age (forthcoming Cambridge University Press, with Simson Garfinkel). An elected member of the American Law Institute, Hoofnagle is of counsel to Gunderson Dettmer LLP, and serves on boards for 4iQ and Palantir Technologies.
Robert Merges is Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati Professor of Law and chair of the LLM and JSD Program Committee. He is the author of Justifying Intellectual Property, published by Harvard University Press in 2011. A comprehensive statement of mature views on the ethical and economic foundations of IP law, the book reviews foundational philosophical theories of property and contemporary theories about distributive justice and applies them to IP; identifies operational highlevel principles of IP law; and, with all this as background, works through several pressing problems facing IP law today. Professor Merges is co-author of two leading casebooks, on intellectual property and on patent law.

Deirdre K. Mulligan is an Associate Professor in the School of Information and the School of Law (by courtesy). Her research explores legal and technical means of protecting values such as privacy, freedom of expression, and fairness in emerging technical systems. Current projects include theoretical and empirical work exploring the implications of machine learning and AI systems and the development of governance models to protect and advance human values. With Kenneth Bamberger, she received the 2016 IAPP Leadership Award for their book, Privacy on the Ground: Driving Corporate Behavior in the United States and Europe (MIT Press 2015). With fellow I School Associate Professor Jenna Burrell, Professor Mulligan co-leads the Algorithmic Fairness and Opacity Working Group (AFOG) at Berkeley.
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Andrea Roth is Professor of Law. She worked for over eight years as a trial and appellate attorney at the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia (PDS). At PDS she was a founding member of a Forensic Practice Group, which studied and litigated forensic DNA typing. She is a member of the Constitution Project’s National Committee on DNA Collection and was selected to serve on the Legal Resources Committee of the National Institute of Standards and Technology’s Organization of Scientific Area Committees (OSAC) for forensic science. Her research focuses on the use of forensic science and machine-generated proof in criminal trials and the ways in which due process must be re-conceptualized in an era of science- and machine-based prosecutions.

Pamela Samuelson is Richard M. Sherman Distinguished Professor of Law and Information. Much of her work has focused on updating and adapting U.S. copyright law to meet challenges of the digital age. She has written amicus curiae briefs as well as law review and other articles on major software IP cases such as Oracle v. Google. Her two most recent articles are on remedies for IP Infringement. Professor Samuelson is President and Chair of the Board of Authors Alliance, a non-profit organization that represents the interests of authors who want their works to be widely available for the public good. She is chair of the Board of Directors of the Electronic Frontier Foundation and a Contributing Editor to Communications of the ACM, a computing professionals society.
Paul Schwartz is Jefferson E. Peyser Professor of Law. His scholarship focuses on how the law has sought to regulate and shape information technology. His most frequent areas of publication concern information privacy and data security. At present, Professor Schwartz is engaged in research into comparative privacy developments in the U.S. and the European Union, cloud computing, and the interplay between state and federal privacy law. He was the co-reporter of the American Law Institute’s Privacy Law Principles project.

Erik Stallman is the Associate Director of the Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic and also an Assistant Clinical Professor at the UC Berkeley School of Law. Before joining the Samuelson Clinic, Erik was a policy counsel at Google, focusing on copyright and telecommunications policy. He spent the previous 12 years in Washington D.C., working for the Federal Communications Commission, the US House of Representatives, the law firm Steptoe & Johnson LLP, and then serving as General Counsel and Director of the Open Internet Project at the Center for Democracy & Technology. His research interests include copyright and machine learning, music licensing, and the intersection of copyright and media regulation. Erik is a graduate of the UC Berkeley School of Law.

Jennifer M. Urban is a Clinical Professor of Law and the Director of Policy Initiatives for the Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic. She studies the legal, private-ordering, and social systems that govern technology and how they interact with values such as free expression, access to knowledge, freedom to innovate, and privacy. In addition to the Samuelson Clinic, she teaches classes on cybersecurity, intellectual property, and technology law. Her recent research includes empirical work on consumer privacy, judges’ decisions in patent cases, and online content removal. She is currently researching how algorithmic decisions can be contested under Europe’s General Data Protection Regulation. Urban co-founded The Takedown Project, an international consortium of scholars studying content removal regimes around the world.
Molly Van Houweling is Harold C. Hohbach Distinguished Professor of Patent and IP Law and Associate Dean for J.D. Curriculum and Teaching. Her teaching portfolio includes intellectual property, basic property law, and food law and policy. Much of Professor Van Houweling’s research focuses on copyright law’s implications for new information technologies (and vice versa). She often explores this and other intellectual property issues using theoretical and doctrinal tools borrowed from the law of tangible property. Professor Van Houweling is an Associate Reporter on the American Law Institute’s Restatement of the Law, Copyright, and an Adviser to the Restatement of the Law Fourth, Property. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Authors Alliance and Chair of the Board of Creative Commons.

Rebecca Wexler is an Assistant Professor of Law and Nonresident Fellow at The Brookings Institution working on data, technology, and criminal justice. She focuses on evidence law, criminal procedure, privacy and intellectual property protections surrounding new data-driven criminal justice technologies. Before joining Berkeley Law, Professor Wexler clerked for Judge Pierre N. Leval of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and Judge Katherine Polk Failla of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. She has worked as a Yale Public Interest Fellow at The Legal Aid Society’s criminal defense practice, and as a Lawyer-in-Residence at The Data and Society Research Institute.
The Berkeley Center for Law & Technology offers specialized certificates for J.D. and LL.M. students recognizing successful completion of a course of study focused on technology law.

**DEADLINES**

The final deadline for submitting the application is **July 1** of the student’s graduation year. However, if students wish to be noted in the graduation program as having received the certificate, they must submit the application by **April 1** of their graduation year.

**SUBMISSION PROCESS**

Complete the application online: [click here](#)

**J.D. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**


2. Completion of at least two additional courses from the following list of core courses:
   - Copyright
   - Computer Law
   - Computer Crime Law
   - Cybersecurity in Context
   - Cybersecurity Law & Policy
   - Information Privacy Law
   - Patent Law
   - Trademark Law
   - Telecomms, Broadcast and Internet Law

3. Completion of at least eight additional units of coursework from the list of courses in the Intellectual Property & Technology Law category.

   In addition, the following I School course qualifies: the Future of Cybersecurity Reading Group.

   Courses cross-listed in the Intellectual Property and Technology Law category are not pre-approved to count toward the course component. Students may seek permission to count a cross-listed course toward the certificate requirements by contacting BCLT at [bclt@law.berkeley.edu](mailto:bclt@law.berkeley.edu).

4. A writing component, fulfilled by completing a publication-quality paper on a law and technology topic, such as a contribution to the Annual Review of Law & Technology through the Law and Technology Writing Workshop or a LAW 299 individual research-and-writing project.

5. An activity component, fulfilled by substantial participation in at least one approved activity for two semesters, or two approved activities for one semester. Participating in any of the student groups listed on pp. 14-15 satisfies the activity component. Students may request approval for another law and technology-related activity, such as a moot court competition relating to intellectual property.

A specialization in start-up law is also available. See the BCLT website for details.

**VARIANCE PROCESS**

Students may request to substitute other curricular and extra-curricular activities for a shortfall in the formal requirements. Refer to Variance Process on the website: [bit.ly/BCLTvariance](https://bit.ly/BCLTvariance)

**LL.M. LAW & TECH CERTIFICATE**

The LL.M. Law & Technology Certificate requirements are similar to those for the J.D. certificate. The LL.M. program requires satisfactory completion of a specified number of courses and a research paper, as well as substantial participation in one or more law and technology organizations.

Visit [our webpage](#) for more information.
BCLT provides administrative and financial support to eleven student groups. These groups concentrate on specific legal skills or areas of the law, allowing students to supplement their classroom education. BCLT also provides funding to the Moot Court program at Berkeley for its technology law competitions.

**BERC LAW**

BERC Law is the law school branch of the Berkeley Energy & Resources Collaborative, a campus-wide student-led organization. Through its alumni and professional network, speaker events, and the publication of a career guide, BERC Law helps to inform law students about legal developments and career opportunities in the fields of energy, climate, and clean technologies.

**BERKELEY JOURNAL OF ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS LAW**

The Berkeley Journal of Entertainment and Sports Law (BJESL) is dedicated to promulgating scholarship on legal issues that contemporaneously impact various entertainment industries, both domestically and internationally. As an interactive and electronic law review, BJESL presents a unique platform for rich discourse on legal topics such as copyright, trademark, art, sports, film and television, communications and broadcast media, First Amendment, right to privacy, music, antitrust and unfair competition, contracts, and more!

**BERKELEY TECHNOLOGY LAW JOURNAL**

The Berkeley Technology Law Journal (BTLJ) is a student-run publication that covers emerging issues in the areas of intellectual property, privacy, and cyberlaw. Since 1986, BTLJ has kept judges, policymakers, practitioners, and the academic community abreast of the dynamic field of technology law. The Journal’s membership of approximately 150 students publishes three issues of scholarly work each year, plus the Annual Review of Law and Technology. The Annual Review is comprised entirely of student-written pieces discussing the most important IP and technology law developments of the past year. BTLJ co-hosts the Annual BCLT/ BTLJ Symposium and publishes a symposium issue, featuring articles by presenters at the conference. BTLJ also co-sponsors BCLT’s twice weekly law and technology speakers series.

**BRINGING LAW INTO SCIENCE & SOCIETY**

BLISS seeks to build greater understanding between scientists and lawyers through interdisciplinary seminars and networking events. BLISS provides an intellectually-engaging, interdisciplinary environment where law and STEM students can enrich their training and inform their policy goals.

**HEALTHCARE & BIOTECH LAW SOCIETY**

Members of the Healthcare and Biotech Law Society (HBLs) examine emerging issues at the intersection of law, society, policy, and science. Their mission is to stimulate the intellectual and professional development of students interested in health/biotech issues. HBLs organizes networking events with practitioners, promotes health and biotech courses at the law school, and increases interaction between the law school and other healthcare and biotech-related institutions at UC Berkeley and beyond.
STUDENT GROUPS

PATENT LAW SOCIETY

The Berkeley Law Patent Law Society is organized to serve as a focus group for students interested in practicing patent law; to provide a forum for students to have in-depth discussions regarding patent law; to engage patent law practitioners to share their experiences with students; and to provide opportunities for students to interact, network, and exchange ideas.

PRIVACY AT BERKELEY LAW

The Privacy Law at Berkeley (PrivLAB) serves as a forum for students, faculty and other members interested in the various facets of Information Privacy Law. The Association organizes meetings, events, talks, and seminars by experts working in the area of information privacy law. We aim to develop a strong network of people working towards the mission of overcoming challenges posed by the digital world and complexities arising from the same.

SPACE LAW SOCIETY AT BERKELEY LAW

Space. The final frontier. The Space Law Society provides a venue for the Berkeley Law community to encounter historical, contemporary, and prospective issues in the law and policy of outer space. Our mission is one of nuanced exchange and infinite comradery. The ongoing mission of Space Law Society is to explore the emerging field, embracing the many perspectives that boalties have to offer and seeking out new practices and ideas—boldly going where no Berkeley Law student organization has gone before!

SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT LAW SOCIETY

The mission of the Sports and Entertainment Law Society (SELS) is to educate the Berkeley Law community about legal opportunities and issues in the entertainment and sports industries. SELS strives to facilitate opportunities for students to network not only with each other, but also with legal professionals in these industries. SELS regularly sponsors many events during the academic year, including both guest lectures and social events.

TECH & PUBLIC INTEREST LAW & POLICY

Tech & Public Interest Law & Policy (TPILP) provides networking opportunities and support to students interested in public interest technology law and policy. TPILP links together the robust public interest and technology law communities at Berkeley Law by establishing a space for public interest-minded students to get to know each other, meet attorneys working in the tech-related public interest field, and learn how to craft their own paths to careers at the intersection of technology and public interest law and policy.

WOMEN IN TECH LAW

Through outreach, mentorship and educational resources, Women in Tech Law (WiTL) strives to recruit, support, and empower women interested in pursuing careers in technology law. WiTL aspires to expand the presence of women in technology law by providing awareness of the opportunities for women from both STEM and non-STEM backgrounds. WiTL seeks to use mentorship and other platforms to increase members’ accessibility into tech law.
BCLT/BTLJ LAW & TECH SPEAKER SERIES

Every Tuesday and Thursday when classes are in session, BCLT and BTLJ host prominent practitioners who share with students their real-world experience and practical legal knowledge on a wide variety of law and technology-related topics.

BCLT CONFERENCES

This year, in light of the pandemic, all Berkeley Law students will be able to participate in all of BCLT’s online conferences free of charge. Watch the BCLT newsletter for details.

2020

OCT 9th Annual Privacy Law Forum •
OCT 29 13th Annual BCLT Privacy Lecture: Prof. Jon Michaels •
OCT-NOV Series on IP and the Life Sciences •
NOV 5-6 6th Annual Sports & Entertainment Law Conference •
NOV 12-13 BTLJ-BCLT Symposium: Technology Law as a Vehicle for Anti-Racism •
DEC 10-11 21st Annual Berkeley-Stanford Advanced Patent Law Institute •

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MAR 10th Annual Privacy Law Forum: Silicon Valley • Palo Alto, CA
APR 25th Annual BCLT/BTLJ Symposium • Berkeley, CA
DEC 22st Annual Advanced Patent Law Institute • Palo Alto, CA
Students at Berkeley Law have a unique opportunity to participate in a diverse set of career activities and to explore IP and technology law issues with experts in the field.

**Law & Technology Mentor Program:** Begins in the Fall, matches up first-year law students with practitioners.

**Fall and Spring Employment Fairs:** More than 30 leading IP and technology firms will attend BCLT’s Fall Career Fair in November. Watch the BCLT calendar and newsletter for details.

**Patent Law:** In December, BCLT and the Patent Law Society will host a special recruiting panel and tech fair for 1Ls interested in patent law.

**BCLT/BTLJ Law Firm Receptions:** Partners, associates and recruiters from leading law firms host receptions to speak informally about life at their firms and their practice. Whether online or in person, receptions are expected to be held in Spring 2021.

**Summer Mixer:** BCLT brings together Berkeley law students and lawyers from top law firms for a summer networking opportunity.

Please note: Unless otherwise indicated, these career events are intended for J.D. candidates. Participating firms typically do not use these events to recruit LL.Ms. BCLT will work with the Advanced Degree Programs (ADP) Office on special Fall and Spring programming geared towards LL.M’s. More information will be circulated in the Fall.

**LAW & TECH OPPORTUNITIES**

For up-to-date openings for internships and job openings, subscribe to the BCLT mailing list by emailing bclt@law.berkeley.edu.

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

The Career Development Office has a variety of resources to assist J.D. students looking for jobs in law & technology related fields. For more information visit law.berkeley.edu/careers/. Professional development counseling for LL.M.s is provided by the Advanced Degree Programs Office.

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Mark Cohen joined Berkeley Law in November 2017 as director of BCLT’s Asia IP Project. Cohen is widely recognized as the leading expert in the US on intellectual property law in China. For over 30 years, as a law firm attorney, in-house counsel, government official, and adjunct and visiting professor of law, he has practiced, written about, and taught intellectual property and international trade law, always with a focus on Asia. Immediately before coming to BCLT, he was Senior Counsel and Senior Advisor to the Undersecretary of Commerce and Director of the US Patent and Trademark Office. He taught intellectual property law and international trade at Fordham from 2011 to 2017.

JANN DUDLEY  ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
Jann joined the BCLT team in 2017, bringing to the table more than 20 years’ award-winning experience in law firm marketing, business development and administration. She is responsible for sponsorship relations, short and long range planning, and managing the team of professionals who organize BCLT’s ambitious agenda of events for law students, alumni, and the law and technology community. In the course of her career, Jann has served as marketing director or manager at Orrick, Morgan Lewis, and, most recently, Archer Norris, among other Bay Area law firms. Jann holds a B.A. in Business & Humanities from Golden Gate University.

MATTHEW RAY  ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
MATTHEW RAY  PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
Matthew has over 5 years of experience working for the University of California, both at Berkeley and Santa Cruz. At BCLT, Matthew enhances law students’ educational experience by managing the Tuesday-Thursday speakers series, coordinating the Law & Technology Certificate, organizing career fairs and networking events, advising law and tech-related student groups, and coordinating the mentor program. Before joining BCLT in 2019, Matthew held positions at The Humanities Institute, CASMA, and the Institute for Jewish Law. Matthew holds a BA in History with a minor in East Asian Studies from UC Santa Cruz.

RICHARD FISK  ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
RICHARD FISK  EVENTS & COMMUNICATIONS
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