Technology Transfer Fellow - Position Posting

*We are especially focused on hiring Fellows with expertise in life sciences, physics, mechanical engineering, materials sciences, and electrical engineering/ computer sciences/ software.*

Tech Transfer Fellows assist Office of Technology Transfer in the technical and commercial evaluation of new inventions at University of Michigan in a variety of fields. Typical projects include:

- Scientific, market, prior art and patent research and analysis
- Assessing commercial viability of new inventions
- Categorizing inventions into application specific or industry segments
- Technology marketing abstract composition
- Identifying potential licensees or investors

Eligibility and Qualifications

1. You must be a current UM graduate student or post-doc. Appointment to the Fellows Program is concurrent with full time status as UM graduate student or post doc.
2. You must have permission from your research adviser to participate in the Fellows Program.
3. You must be allowed to work on campus if you are an international student (not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident) or have CPT/OPT clearance if needed to participate in the Program. You are responsible for confirming this prior to the Program. Current fellows include several international students.
4. You must be able to commit up to ten (10) hours per week to the Fellows Program.
5. You are expected to stay in the Fellows Program for at least one (1) year.

Selection will be based on a combination of factors, primarily:

- Written and oral communication skills
- Scientific/technical background and academic performance
- Enthusiasm and willingness to take on new challenges
- Professionalism and adherence to deadlines
- Interest in technology transfer and/or prior experience (if any) in business or commercial environments

Expectations

Fellows must attend an orientation and training session in person and commit to one year in the Program following their training. Fellows are required to have access to a networked computer, as work is done remotely, and access to databases and other resources will be provided. Fellows are expected to complete their assignments within one week of receiving them; hours vary but are limited to no more than ten (10) hours per week. Fellows are required to sign a non-disclosure agreement with the University of Michigan and maintain absolute confidentiality. Pay is $15-17/hour depending on background and experience.

Application

Applicants must submit a cover letter and resume in pdf format via e-mail to Anne Juggernauth (annekj@umich.edu) by 5 p.m. May 10th, April 27th, 2018 with the subject line “Application: OTT fellows program Spring 2018”. Applicants will be notified by e-mail if selected to continue to the next stage of the selection process and invited to submit writing samples. Hiring decisions are expected to be finalized by early June with training to follow.