The mission is to encourage innovation, enhance research, and facilitate economic development by commercializing intellectual property created within the University of Tennessee system.
“Whether you take the Patent Bar and become a successful IP attorney, work as a General Counsel in the business world, or end up a criminal attorney, UTRF provides the opportunity to become a better lawyer and stronger professional.”

Chase Moore, JD Candidate, Spring 2019, University of Tennessee, 2017-2018 UTRF Intern

“My internship experience at UTRF had allowed me to see the big picture of the commercialization pipeline starting from government funding to academic research and finally to industry partnership.”

CeCe Ging, JD, University of Tennessee, 2012-2013 UTRF Intern
Hands-on opportunity to explore new innovations and to understand the transition from research to a commercial product.

Provide support to UTRF’s licensing staff for innovation assessments including patent searches.

Obtain valuable experience in preparation for careers such as business development, entrepreneurship, and law.
WHERE ARE OUR PAST INTERNS?

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POTENTIAL CAREER OPPORTUNITY

- Entrepreneurship
- Venture Capital
- Consulting
- Licensing
- Law Firms
- Business Development
- Tech Scouts in Industry
- Contract managers
- Government eg. NNSA
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Technology Transfer is a process to move knowledge and innovations from UT to an external partner to create products and services for public benefit.
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If your innovation is declined, you will receive a formal close letter from UTRF, relinquishing UTRF’s commercialization rights.
SKILL SET REQUIRED

- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- High attention to detail and organization
- Analytical skills – ability to understand new concepts quickly
- Background in Life Science, Engineering, Computer Science or Physical Science preferred
INTERN RESPONSIBILITIES

Interns prepare summaries about the new innovations and help to evaluate whether a new technology can be patented and if there is a potential commercial market for it.

- **Analyze** new innovations
- **Perform** patentability analysis
- **Outreach** to potential industry partners
- **Present** recommendations for management of new innovations
- **Assist** in ad-hoc projects in marketing and financial evaluations
Graduate Student Intern Positions
• For Grad/Law/MBA/Other

Commitment
• 20-35 hr/wk in Summer 2019
• 10 hr/wk in following two semesters

*Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent U.S. residents.
INTERESTED??

Information Session: February 18, 2019 - Today!

Application Deadline: March 15, 2019

Start Date: May 13, 2019

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