

CML 3316AB – Technology Law Internship: Canadian Internet Policy and Public Interest Clinic (CIPPIC) (3 credits)

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Prerequisite(s):	none, but preference is given to students who have completed at least one technology law course (e.g., intellectual property, internet law, e-commerce, privacy)
Teaching method:	Internship: mix of small group training, tutorials, case rounds, and individual supervision
Method of evaluation:	Satisfactory with distinction / Satisfactory / Non-Satisfactory
Course objective(s):	<p>The CIPPIC internship offers students an opportunity to work with experienced lawyers on real life, cutting edge legal issues arising from the use of new technologies. CIPPIC is engaged in high level advocacy and policy work related to a wide range of technology law issues including privacy, free speech, intellectual property rights, and e-commerce concerns. Clinic work involves research, policy analysis, strategy development, and drafting of legal and policy documents, all from a public interest perspective. Typical clinical projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Submissions on government policy consultations and policy/law reform initiatives.• Development of public education materials for the CIPPIC website or for presentation to local school and/or community groups.• Research and policy papers designed to influence public policy.• Interventions in precedent-setting court cases.• Provision of legal advice to clients on issues involving privacy, copyright, domain name disputes, consumer rights, and other issues arising from new technologies. <p>Students are expected to spend a minimum total of 120 hours at the clinic, per term. Preference is given to students who commit to <u>two terms</u> (i.e., 6 credits) of clinical work. The second term can be a graded directed research project if arranged with one of the CIPPIC professors.</p> <p>Evaluation is based on the extent and quality of work done, professionalism and responsibility displayed, and participation in clinic activities.</p> <p>To be considered for a clinic placement, the following should be submitted to Professor Lawson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Statement outlining technology law/public interest advocacy experience and/or interest;- Curriculum vitae including e-mail contact information;- copy of Law School transcript. <p>Deadline for Applications: Two weeks prior to the first day of classes, each term. Late applications will be considered, but early applications will be given preference.</p>
Materials used:	To be determined
Maximum enrolment:	10
Schedule:	To be determined