

CIPPIC SUMMER 2005 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Summary

The purpose of the CIPPIC Summer Internship Program is to provide an intensive learning experience for law school students, while contributing to public interest advocacy on issues of law and technology in Canada. Interns will be assigned to active files, and will be expected to research issues, consult with clients, and draft memos for legal counsel, submissions to government, and content for the CIPPIC website. In addition to clinical work, interns will participate in weekly seminars (or conferences) on a variety of topics, led by experts in the field.

Logistics

The CIPPIC Summer Internship Program will run from Monday, May 9, 2005 to Friday, July 29, 2005. CIPPIC Interns will normally meet with a featured speaker on Wednesdays at 11:00 am, in a “workshop” setting, for 1 – 1.5 hours, followed by lunch. The reading listed for each workshop is not required, unless designated by an asterisk, but is recommended. During weeks in which relevant conferences are being held at the University or downtown, workshops will not be held and students will instead be expected to attend the conferences. In addition to the workshops, students will attend weekly CIPPIC status meetings. Social events will be scheduled throughout the program as well.

Weekly Topics and Speakers

May 11 th	Access to Information (David McKie and Aaron Freeman)
May 18 th	Private Members Bills, Public Interest Advocacy & Parliamentary Process (Senator Donald Oliver)
May 25 th	Federal government policy and law-making on electronic commerce issues (Richard Simpson)
June 1 st	The Privacy Commissioner of Canada: mandate, processes and challenges (Patricia Kosseim)
June 8 th	Big, Bang, Boom – Adventures in Banking (Lew Lederman)
June 15 th	Toward a Canadian DMCA (Digital Millennium Culture Agenda) (Michael Geist)
June 22 nd	Technological changes in communications and the effects on persons with disabilities (Chris Taylor)
June 29 th	The Copyright Board and the internet (Mario Bouchard)
July 6 th	Automation, virtual friendship and data-mining by consent (Ian Kerr)
July 12 th	Technology and the Law: Changes facing the Federal Court (Justice von Finckenstein)
July 20 th	Creative Commons Canada, eh? (Marcus Bornfreund)
July 27 th	Online citizen journalism: challenges and dangers (Jennifer Chandler) CANCELLED

Syllabus

May 9th: Introduction to CIPPIC

Schedule: **09h30** Pippa Lawson, Executive Director CIPPIC
11h00 Michael Geist, Canada Research Chair in Internet and E-commerce Law
12h00 Lunch
13h00 Practices and Procedures (Pippa Lawson)
15h00 Library Tour (Nathalie Léonard)
16h00 Campus Tour (Catherine Thompson)
17h00 Beer at Nostalgica

May 11th

Aaron Freeman, LL.B. and David McKie, CBC News
Access to Information Law and Practice in Canada

Issues:

- Why do we have "access to information" laws?
- How can they be used to further the public interest?
- How can CIPPIC students use ATI laws in their research?
- What are the common problems ATI applicants will face?
- Which tactics can applicants use to get around those problems?

References:

Federal Access to Information Review Task Force Report, Key Points from the Report http://www.atirtf-geai.gc.ca/report/key_points-e.html (3 pages)
Office of the Information Commissioner, Annual Report 2002-2003: Reform of the Access to Information Act http://www.infocom.gc.ca/reports/section_display-e.asp?intSectionId=340 (2 pages)
Some Comments for the MPs' Committee on Access, prepared by Michael A. Dagg; <http://www.mpsonaccess.ca/Submissions/MDagg.htm> (6 pages)
Federal Access to Information Statistical Tables; 2001-2002 pages 7-10; 1983-2001 pages 19-20; http://dsp-psd.communication.gc.ca/Collection/E-InoBulNo_25.pdf (6 pages)
Access to Information under Ontario's Information and Privacy Acts <http://www.ipc.on.ca/docs/access-e.pdf> (2 pages)
[Federal Access to Information Act](#)
[Ontario Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act](#)

May 18th

Senator Donald H. Oliver
Private Members Bills, Public Interest Advocacy and the Parliamentary Process

Issues:

- Overview of Private Members Bills in both House of Commons and Senate – procedure and reference to current examples
- Public interest advocacy and the parliamentary process
- Bills S-15 and S-2

References:

Second reading speeches on Spam Bill and on Senators' Bill for an Elected Speaker [**Sue to get**]

May 25th

Richard Simpson

Director General, Electronic Commerce Branch, Industry Canada

Federal government policy and law-making on electronic commerce issues

Issues:

- What is the federal government's approach to electronic commerce? What role does the government have in shaping the electronic marketplace?
- How is federal government policy developed? What processes are used to get buy-in from stakeholders?
- What are the key issues in e-commerce for the federal government, and how are they being addressed?
- What is the scope of federal jurisdiction over e-commerce, and what matters are left to provincial jurisdiction?

References:

<http://e-com.ic.gc.ca/epic/internet/inecic-ceac.nsf/en/home>

June 1st

Patricia Kosseim

General Counsel, Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada

The Privacy Commissioner of Canada: mandate, processes & challenges

Issues:

- What type of administrative body is the OPCC and how does this affect its operations?
- How does the OPCC reconcile its dual mandate of advocacy/education and findings/recommendations on specific complaints?
- What is the role of OPCC counsel?
- What are the biggest legal challenges facing the OPCC at this time?

References:

http://www.privcom.gc.ca/index_e.asp

June 8th

Lew Lederman, LL.B.

Knowledge Evolutions

Big, Bang, Boom - Adventures in Banking: New Technology Makes a New Marketplace

June 15th

Michael Geist

Canada Research Chair in Internet and E-commerce Law, Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa

Toward a Canadian DMCA (Digital Millennium Culture Agenda)

Issues:

- Canadian Copyright;
- Cultural policy.

References:

http://www.michaelgeist.ca/resc/html_bkup/april42005.html

http://www.michaelgeist.ca/resc/html_bkup/mar142005.html

http://www.michaelgeist.ca/resc/html_bkup/jan102005.html
<http://geistculturetoolkit.notlong.com/>
<http://geistnetandculturepolicy.notlong.com/>
http://www.firstmonday.org/issues/issue10_4/geist/

June 22nd

Chris Taylor, LL.B.

Technological changes in communications and the effects on persons with disabilities

Issues:

- Regulatory and human rights issues associated with providing telecommunications services on a non-discriminatory basis to persons with disabilities.
- Consideration of recent CRTC proceedings and decisions as well as more general principles of telecommunications regulation and human rights law.
- Specific examples to be discussed include pay telephones, VoIP services & cell phone services.

June 29th

Mario Bouchard

General Counsel, Copyright Board Canada

The Copyright Board and the Internet

Issues:

- Tariff 22: status
- Ringtone Tariff: status
- The impact of decisions of the Supreme Court of Canada (SOCAN v. CAIP; CCH Canadian v. LSUC) on the work of the Board
- (*If the recently announced bill amending the Copyright Act has been published*) the potential impact of the bill on the work of the Board

July 6th

Ian Kerr* and Valerie Steeves**

*Canada Research Chair in Ethics, Law & Technology, Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa

** Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology, University of Ottawa

Virtual playgrounds and buddybots: a data-minefield for tinys & tweenies

Issues:

- What are the business models for obtaining information about children's play and spending habits?
- How do corporations camouflage the surveillance of children online?
- How are automation and intelligent agent technologies used to circumvent fair information practices?
- What legal and ethical issues do the above practices raise?

References:

Ian Kerr & Valerie Steeves, "Virtual playgrounds and buddybots: a data-minefield for tinys & tweenies" available online at:

www.anonequity.org (see: What's New?)

July 12th

Justice von Finckenstein

Federal Court

Technology and the Law: Challenges facing the Federal Court

Issues:

- **Initiatives:** How is the Court using technology?
- **Jurisdiction:** How do technology issues come before the Court?
- **Innovation:** How are existing legal tools being applied to new technological paradigms?

July 20th

Marcus Bornfreund

Manager, Law & Technology Program, University of Ottawa

Project Leader, Creative Commons Canada

Creative Commons Canada, eh?

Issues:

- What is the Creative Commons?
- Introduction to Creative Commons Canada.
- Why is a commons of digital works important to Canadian culture?
- How can Creative Commons licensing benefit Canadians?

References:

1. Creative Commons Canada website: www.creativecommons.ca
2. Creative Commons (parent site): www.creativecommons.org

July 27th

Jennifer Chandler

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Professor, Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa

Online citizen journalism: challenges and dangers

CIPPIC Summer Social Activities:

Things to do in Ottawa:

Jazz festival

Blues festival

NAC

Films (World Exchange, Bytowne, etc)

National Gallery

Museum of Civilization

Music/Dance/

Listings (Xpress, etc)