

<u>Position Title:</u>	Business Analyst (Post-Doctoral Researcher in Intellectual Property & Technology Law, Innovation, and Commercialization)
<u>Program:</u>	IP Innovation Clinic
<u>Contract Term:</u>	Until March 31, 2026, with possibility of extension
<u>Annual Salary:</u>	\$70,000 per year (prorated) plus benefits
<u>Hours of Work:</u>	Full-time; 35 hours per week (hours of work: Monday to Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM or 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM)

ABOUT IP INNOVATION CLINIC:

The IP Innovation Clinic is Canada's largest pro bono intellectual property (IP) clinic and the first of its kind in Canada. Founded in 2010 by [Professor Pina D'Agostino](#) (Osgoode Hall Law School, York University), the IP Innovation Clinic is an innovation-to-society legal clinic that provides IP due diligence and assistance to members of the York University community and beyond. IP Innovation Clinic services include patent searches, licensing and drafting assistance, and strategic IP information tailored to the needs of the client.

The IP Innovation Clinic is a key part of the IP and Commercialization Pathway at [York University](#), assisting faculty, researchers, and the university community identify, protect, and commercialize their IP. To date the IP Innovation Clinic has assisted over 500 clients across Ontario and Canada, providing approximately \$2.4M+ in pro bono IP assistance. Law students from [Osgoode Hall Law School](#) work with supervising lawyers at leading IP firms to provide pro bono and tailored IP information and assistance.

The IP Innovation Clinic operates in collaboration with [Innovation York](#) and the [Office of the Vice-President Research & Innovation \(VPRI\)](#) at York University as well as with [Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP](#), [Smart & Biggar LLP](#), and [Own Innovation](#). The IP Innovation Clinic is supported by funding from [Intellectual Property Ontario \(IPON\)](#), an agency of the Government of Ontario, and in collaboration with [Communitech](#) as part of the Government of Canada's [ElevateIP Program](#). The IP Innovation Clinic was established in partnership with the [Ontario Centres of Excellence \(now Ontario Centre of Innovation\)](#) and an international law firm.

More information could be found at www.ipinnovationclinic.ca.

JOB PURPOSE

The IP Innovation Clinic at Osgoode Hall Law School, York University invites applications for a Business Analyst/Postdoctoral Researcher in the field(s) of Intellectual Property (IP) and Technology Law, with an interdisciplinary focus on Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Commercialization. The successful candidate will contribute to cutting-edge research led by Prof. Pina D'Agostino with an overarching focus on Canada's startup and innovation ecosystem, legal and regulatory frameworks that govern emerging technologies—including artificial intelligence (AI), quantum, etc.—innovation

ecosystems, startup ventures, and the commercialization of research and development (R&D). The successful candidate should have a strong background in AI, copyright law, and comparative approaches to law and policy in different jurisdictions.

Reporting to the Founder & Director of the IP Innovation Clinic, Prof. Pina D'Agostino, and under the day-to-day management of its Associate Director, Dr. Joseph Turcotte, the Business Analyst (Post-Doctoral Researcher in Intellectual Property & Technology Law, Innovation, and Commercialization) will be a key member of the IP Innovation Clinic helping with research initiatives on IP and technology law with an interdisciplinary focus on Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Commercialization. Research findings and reports will be used as part of the IP Innovation Clinic's thought leadership and program development to improve the quality of IP and commercialization assistance at the Clinic and more broadly. Publications and outcomes will be presented in various formats to try and maximize impact.

The successful applicant will be encouraged to apply for the [Connected Minds Post Doctorate Fellowship Program](#) for subsequent funding.

MAJOR DUTIES:

- Undertake literature reviews and secondary data collection;
- Perform primary data collection, including interviews, as necessary
- Editing, preparing, and presenting research at domestic and international conferences as well as other events;
- Editing, writing, and finalizing publications for leading scholarly journals and academic publishers;
- Editing, writing, and finalizing publications for policy-oriented audiences and the public;
- Developing and maintaining a knowledge mobilization plan, including digital and other public facing activities;
- Helping to organize events;
- Other activities as required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education

- A PhD or equivalent degree in Law, with a specialization in Intellectual Property (especially copyright), Artificial Intelligence (AI), Technology Law, or related fields.
- Candidates with interdisciplinary backgrounds (e.g., law and innovation studies, law and economics, science and technology studies) are encouraged to apply.

Essential Qualifications

- A strong publication record or demonstrated potential for impactful scholarship.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Demonstrated interest in innovation, entrepreneurship, or commercialization processes.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a multidisciplinary research environment.
- Strong expertise in collecting and analyzing data
- Strong expertise in conducting and analyzing interviews

- Attention to detail, thorough documentation and analysis practices
- Detail oriented with strong problem finding, resolution and documentation skills
- Technical proficiency with the Office360 Suite, including SharePoint, OneDrive, Microsoft Office, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.

Application Instructions:

Please submit a cover letter and resume to Nicoleta Negoita, People Partner, at nicol23@yorku.ca. This position is open until filled.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis with interviews expected to begin in June 2025. This position is open until filled.

We thank all interested applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

All applications from all qualified individuals, including, but not limited to women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities (racialized), aboriginal (Indigenous) persons and persons of any gender identity and sexual orientation are welcomed to apply. IP Innovation Clinic is committed to a positive, supportive and inclusive environment.

We offer accommodation for applicants with disabilities in the recruitment processes. If you are contacted regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation.