Intellectual Property for Software Engineers

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Class Time: 5-6:15PM
Meeting Place: ECCR 112

An engineering course with a legal twist, Intellectual Property for Software Engineers will arm students with tools to navigate a complex legal minefield that awaits them at graduation. With many years of graduate studies and real-world experience between them, Mike Colagrosso and Matthew Colagrosso will educate students on the basics of copyrights, trademarks, patents, and open source in highly interactive sessions. It is their hope that when students leave the course they will be able to spot and avoid the common IP mistakes made by so many startups and entrepreneurs. Students will earn 1 credit hour for this course.

A published scholar, former Colorado School of Mines professor, and now Google employee, Michael Colagrosso is no stranger to advanced education. He is a proud graduate of the Colorado School of Mines (BS in Computer Science) and CU (PhD in Computer Science).

As a CU CS graduate in ’01 and law school graduate in ’08, Matthew is enjoying practicing patent law at Medtronic. Matthew spends his free time attempting to keep up with his wife and two young kids in the Colorado outdoors.

Contact Judy Stafford (judith.stafford@colorado.edu) for more information or to indicate your interest in taking this course. Enrollment limited to 24 students.

What is a Tech Intensive? These are 1 credit hour short courses on hot topics in computer science taught by volunteers from local industry. Students can count up to 3 Tech Intensives toward their upper division electives.