Our Science, Technology, and Law (STL) program offers a **pathways minor** that allows students to explore the intersection of science and law from 18 credit hours of classes. Studying Intellectual Property law provides invaluable knowledge to students in all educational disciplines as it is applicable in most major aspects of our economy. The minor allows students to explore the legal, societal, and ethical considerations and dilemmas of intellectual property. Additionally, by completing the minor, the students can meet several pathways requirements for their degree including Advanced/Applied Discourse, Critical Thinking in the Humanities, and Reasoning in the Social Sciences.

The courses are designed to introduce students to copyrights, trademarks, patents, and trade secrets.

The minor provides students with multi-disciplinary tools that teach them necessary critical thinking and analytical skills to be successful in multiple career paths. Additionally, the minor provides opportunities to meet and interact with lawyers, IP professionals, inventors, researchers, and scholars.

Regardless of major and final career plans, the STL program provides students with ample opportunities to expand their knowledge to make them attractive in any job market.

### Core Courses

**STL**
- Foundations of Intellectual Property
- Intellectual Property Law
- Quantum Physics for Nanomedicine
- Current Topics in Science, Technology and Law

### Elective Courses

**STL**
- Global Aspects of Intellectual Property Law
- Patent Preparation and Prosecution

**OTHER**
We have courses from many colleges that meet our ethics, civics and policy elective requirements.

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