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## PROTECTING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

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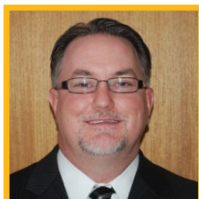
Protecting intellectual property is one of the most important parts of invention and entrepreneurship. The presenters will share their vast amount of expertise in this area, and answer questions about patents and trademarks. We will hear what happens when a case is brought before the patent examination office and learn about the role of the Ohio University Technology Transfer Office in assisting students and faculty with intellectual property protection.

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**5:30 – 7:00 PM | Baker 240/242**



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