

University Spin-out Conflict of Interest

Due to potential conflict of interest issues, UW technology transfer process do not allow university personnel, other than inventors, to be on boards of directors for UW spin-out companies and this is placed into action as a component of the license agreement. Furthermore the process does not allow any UW personnel who may be in an administrative position that has supervisory influence over a UW inventor involved in a spin-out company to be in an ownership, management or investment position in the spin-out. If other ethical or conflict of interest issues arise regarding a UW spin-out company the Office of Research and Economic Development and the Office of General Counsel will appoint a special panel of university personnel familiar with management of ethical issues to assist in decision-making regarding those potential issues.