RESEARCH PRODUCTS CENTER

The Wyoming Research Products Center (RPC) secures intellectual property protection on technologies invented or developed at the University of Wyoming. The center also markets these technologies to companies (i.e. find a licensee for them) in return for royalties and other remuneration. Occasionally, faculty members desire to start their own company based on the new technology. In this case, the RPC office would be responsible for spinning out the technology from the University to the faculty member's company.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU

Taking an idea from the drawing board to the market can be a very daunting task. RPC is available to assist you throughout the entire process. Whether you are at the early idea stages or you already have a patentable invention, we can work together to make a lasting impact on your career and our community. Your first step is to tell us about your innovation. It is never too early to contact our office. Simply complete the Invention Disclosure Form on our website.

HOW TO CONTACT US

You are always welcome to stop by, call, or email us at anytime. Or you can start on paperwork straight from our website. To find the necessary paperwork, including the Invention Disclosure Form:

- Visit our website at www.uwyo.edu/rpc
- Select For UW Inventors from the menu
- Select Invention Disclosure Form from the middle of the page or the menu on the left
- Select the form that meets your needs, fill out, and return to our office

For further information about protecting intellectual property please contact us in the following ways:

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Bureau of Mines Bldg. 209

Call
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Laramie, WY 82071
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
Taking your innovation to the next level with commercialization can prove beneficial on many levels:

- Provide benefits to the community and make our world a better place
- Increase awareness of the valuable contributions that you, your research, and UW are making
- Generate financial rewards for you and UW
- Create jobs and strengthen the economy

We want to hear about your idea at any stage in development!

HOW IT WORKS

RESEARCH
Intellectual property is often developed during the course of high-quality research. RPC helps translate your research into the marketplace to benefit the public.

CONTACT US
Tell us about your invention! Submit an Invention Disclosure Form online. It is highly encouraged that you reach out to us first, before any publication or public disclosure regarding an invention.

PROTECT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
We will work together to develop the best protection strategy for your idea or innovation. RPC can help obtain a provisional patent or utility patent for your technology.

MARKETING STRATEGY
We look for and market to commercial partners that want to use your innovation or help you with contacts to start your own company.

LICENSE
RPC will negotiate all legal agreements and contracts with commercial partners.

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

The University of Wyoming has one of the highest licensing revenue distributions in the nation, per UniReg 3-641 covering inventions, copyrights, etc. created through the use of University resources, funds and equipment.

- 60% of net revenue will be distributed to the inventors
- 40% of net revenue will be distributed to the University with a portion going to the college and department of the inventors

Inventions can be methods, instruments, algorithms, biological materials, software programs, creative works - anything new, useful or of potential commercial value.

Protecting your idea provides market advantage needed to justify investment to develop your innovation through commercialization.

Reporting your innovation does not impact your other faculty duties. You can still pursue traditional academic activities such as speaking at conferences and publishing research.

Commercializing your innovation is a powerful way to amplify the impact of your work.