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Speaker Biographical Sketches

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Gerald Barnett is Director of Software & Copyright Ventures at the University of Washington, where he has led software intellectual property management since 1991. Dr. Barnett is a frequent participant in workshops focused on software and digital media management and has been a primary developer of the University of Washington's Intellectual Property Management Certificate program. Presently, Dr. Barnett is working to characterize 2nd generation techniques for re-implementing IP management in universities following organizational relationship models rather than patent entrepreneurship. Prior to his work in technology transfer, Dr. Barnett taught at the University of Washington, where he completed his Ph.D. in 1988, and worked as a programmer in the Humanities and Arts Computer Center (now CARTAH). He holds a B.S. in mathematics and a B.A. in English.

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JQ Johnson is Academic Education Coordinator at the University of Oregon Library. He combines a background in academic computing and library -- with positions ranging from former director of network services for the University of Oregon to current responsibility for providing central coordination of university faculty development activities. He has been active in crafting and providing copyright education both for instructors and for legislators. He serves as university member representative to Educause and the Coalition for Networked Information. Among his recent presentations are "Creating a successful copyright education program for university faculty" and "Copyright: Author's rights and options". He holds an A.B. in mathematics from Harvard College and an M.S. in political science from Stanford University.