

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW COURSE EVALUATION:
2019 STUDENT COMMENTS ON PROF. SEVE FALATI'S 2019 COURSE EVALUATION
4.7/5 Prof. rating by 43 law students in 2017 and 2018 and 2019

- ❖ I like practical question/discussion in every class with different legal issues.
- ❖ Provided real life examples
- ❖ **Class discussions.** This actually is really helpful to think about law without just reading court decisions from the book. It was very helpful to make use take one side and argue it even if we do not agree with it because that is what we will have to do in the real world.
- ❖ Professor Falati selected interesting cases which stimulated group discussion and prompted deep analysis of the legal issues at hand.
- ❖ Professor Falati is great about encouraging in-class participation. He actively engages with students in critical problem solving discussions, and we analyze as a class the real world implications of the subject matter. I never enjoyed in-class discussion before I took this class. This my favorite class I've taken in both graduate and undergraduate, and I was excited to go to this class each week.
- ❖ Professor Falati is one of a kind. This is the first class I have taken with him and I was pleasantly surprised. He knows the material very well and it is apparent that he has practiced in this area for along time. He is open to questions in and outside of class and always facilitates class discussions that help you understand material more. He has peaked my interest in an area that I found interesting but knew nothing about. He gives great examples, makes you think. I will definitely take another class with him. I hope more students take his class, as AL students will really benefit from learning from a professor like Prof. Falati.
- ❖ Brought in practical knowledge, which I feel is sometimes lacking in other courses. I want to know what to do when I'm practicing law, not just how to respond in the classroom setting.
- ❖ I really liked the organization of the course and that we learned the basics for four IP fields. The class discussions were informative.
- ❖ Professor Falati turns every class into a healthy discussion about both the theory behind the law, and the practical use of that theory. Consistently throughout the course the students would be placed not only on different sides of an argument, but on different law firms representing the different companies going to battle. Through this we were able to clearly see more into the practice side of an intellectual property lawyer, something that no other professor has been able to do as well as Professor Falati thus far.
- ❖ Professor Falati did an exceptional job. He was very active and engaging with the students. Further, he would go above and beyond to help students learn and assist them with establishing connections.
- ❖ So far this has been my favorite course at Albany Law. Professor Falati had kept the class engaged every session and had discussed the practical aspect of each part of the law that we would discuss in class.

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2018 STUDENT COMMENTS ON PROF. SEVE FALATI'S 2018 COURSE EVALUATION
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- ❖ "I liked how professor Falati would engage in practical, legal oriented discussions where we would take what we learned out of the textbook and apply it to real life situations
- ❖ Professor Falati is so good at making the material understandable from a student's perspective. His style to encourage in-practice situations helped me understand the material better and learn the underlying implications behind the material.
- ❖ I loved the way he engaged the class by dividing us into different sections to answer the various "class discussion" prompts throughout the class. I also like the way he went on "practice" detours, on how to advise clients in certain situations.
- ❖ Professor was extremely knowledgeable in the subject area and incorporated useful practical advice. Always asked thought provoking questions that balanced black letter law, policy considerations and practical issues.
- ❖ Engaging class discussion
- ❖ Professor Falati was very approachable and created a comfortable classroom environment for questions and simulations relating to the practice of law. I remained interested in the subject matter throughout the semester and felt the material was heavy, but explained with excellent clarity despite a few nuances within a particular topic.
- ❖ Professor Falati clearly has a practiced grasp on the subject material and is able to effectively communicate the legal concepts in a manner that students can understand. I really like the discussion questions that he has students do. It helped put the ideas into real life perspective for me.
- ❖ I am a student with learning accommodations, and Professor Falati was an amazing professor. He fostered an environment where I felt comfortable speaking up and asking questions. He met with me several times outside of class, and was always respectful, understanding, and supportive. I would (and have) recommended this class to other students. I even reached out to someone who facilitates the JD/MBA program and recommended this class to business students. I loved the way Professor Falati conducted discussions in the class. He would divide the room into firms and have us argue for one perspective or another. This really helped me to understand the material and to think critically. I think that the discussion format of the class was the most helpful element of the class for me. He also fostered a supportive atmosphere where students felt comfortable speaking up and arguing for their position.
- ❖ He is extremely patient and always willing to answer questions.
- ❖ He is able to get everyone engaged in class discussion and, especially those students who may fall behind the progress. He can demonstrate information in the textbook in a very detailed way so that it is easier for us to understand.
- ❖ Professor Falati is extremely organized and structured, which I like."

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2017 STUDENT COMMENTS ON PROF. SEVE FALATI'S 2017 COURSE EVALUATION
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- ❖ “Professor Falatti has a **great grasp on the subject matter** which allowed him to pose great hypos and class discussions.
- ❖ Professor covered a lot of material and provided a lot of information necessary to understand the cases and the law.
- ❖ Prof. Falati was able to keep the material reasonable to understand and **kept the lectures exciting by interacting with students**.
- ❖ **The professor connected with the students and adapted to the students' needs as the course progressed.** Depending on how students reacted to a particular topic the professor adjusted course speed, course material, and in class teaching style to accommodate the changes. **Additionally, the professor has a unique ability to help students answer their own questions rather than simply giving an answer. This ability is particularly powerful in how students learn from peers.**
- ❖ **The professor did a very good job** of telling us how the caselaw and ideas presented in class relate to modern day IP practice
- ❖ **He was an excellent teacher. Learned more in this class than probably any other class I've taken at this institution.** One aspect of the course that I think was done well was that a wide variety of IP topics were covered. I wanted a general overview of IP law and that's exactly what we got. We did not get too entrenched into any individual topic, and we did not really skip over any major ones. Also very responsive and understanding. **Would highly recommend the course to other students.**
- ❖ **He did his best to create a welcoming environment in the class** for students who have little to no law background.
- ❖ **The professor did an exceptional job explaining the reasoning and principles behind the rulings of the cases in the course.** He made sure to clearly explain the rulings of each case but also how they may differ from other rulings in other cases. The subject material was relevant for the current practice of law in that field and he even added more recent examples to explain how certain rulings are still changing. The course was structured well so we got a thorough explanation of the fundamentals of legal protection for patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. **He also did a great job trying to engage the entire class in discussions and mini-debates.**
- ❖ **Engaged us in the the subject of Intellectual Property. Brought up interesting examples and real practice points during class.** The discussions are engaging and he should definitely still include the min the class sections.
- ❖ **Professor Falati is one of the best professors I have had throughout my university experience. He is very knowledgeable of the subject matter, but his ability to interact with the students is what sets him above other professors. When a student is unsure of an answer, he helps walk them through the thought process to arrive at certain conclusions and is able to play devil's advocate to demonstrate other perspectives one may not consider. I also find that after leaving his class, I generally feel comfortable enough with the material to discuss and apply it without having to first refer to my notes - what should be a standard for education, yet usually I find most classes are lacking of this quality. Would definitely take another course with Professor Falati if provided the opportunity.”**