Part-Time Evening Program
Seven years after Fordham Law School opened our doors in 1905, we made the strategic decision to open them even wider and more inclusively. Since then, our part-time evening program has been welcoming students who choose to balance educational and career aspirations with family and employment responsibilities.

Evening program alumnus Constantine N. Katsoris, Class of 1957, taught his first evening class more than 50 years ago. Inspired by students who were “intelligent, eager to learn, and quick to share their professional experiences,” Professor Katsoris has continued to teach at least one evening course each year, characterizing the program atmosphere as “vibrant, rewarding, and exciting.”

Alumna Jessica Thaler, Class of 1999, echoes Katsoris’s perceptions: “Coming into law school, you hear horror stories about people hiding books, trying to make each other look bad, and just being out for themselves. I experienced the opposite. There was such great camaraderie and cooperation with my fellow evening students. We recognized how much we were all doing—working full time, going to class, studying on the train or late at night. Some classmates had long commutes and young families on top of it all. But we knew we were all in it together. That bond has continued many years after graduation.”

Comparing his evening experience to that of his day program peers, alumnus Edward Skyler, Class of 2000, says he never felt disadvantaged: “Our professors expected as much from us as the students in the day program. We received the same encouragement from the same great teachers. We had the same rigorous legal training. And we were equally well prepared for succeeding in demanding jobs in both the public and private sectors.”

And for alumnus Samrat Khichi, Class of 1998, the Fordham Law evening program was—in a word—transformational. “I cannot imagine being in the position I’m in today without the skills I learned and the support I received from the evening program. It is no exaggeration to say that the program changed my life.”
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Quick Facts

Fordham Law’s evening program is ranked 2nd in the nation by the 2017 U.S. News & World Report.

Evening students can complete the JD program in eight semesters.

The part-time evening program offers many of the same electives as the full-time day program.

Most administrative offices have extended hours to accommodate evening students.

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Course Offerings

Evening program courses are taken over four years with classes held Monday–Thursday evenings and optional Saturdays.

First- or second-year courses

- Legal Writing and Research
- Criminal Law
- Contracts
- Property
- Torts
- Civil Procedure
- Constitutional Law
- Legislation & Regulation
- Legal Process and Quantitative Methods

Upper-class courses

- Corporations
- Professional Responsibility
- Professional Skills
- Writing Requirement (prior to last semester)

A representative sample of electives

- Administrative Law
- Antitrust Law
- Banking Law
- Bankruptcy Law
- Copyright Law
- Corporate Governance
- Criminal Procedure: Investigative or Adjudication
- Environmental Law
- Evidence
- Fashion Law
- Federal Courts
- Fundamental Lawyering Skills
- Income Tax
- Intellectual Property
- International Law
- Internet Law
- Land Use Law
- New York Practice
- Professional Responsibility
- Securities Regulation
- Trademark Law
- Trial Advocacy
- Trusts & Wills