

Sample comments from students in previous research classes . . .

- “I think this class should be mandatory. Seriously. This class really provides great insight on how to be an effective researcher and understand how cases, statutes, legislative history, secondary materials work.”
- “Great class and very helpful.”
- “I learned more about research in general, legal research websites, and formulating a research plan in this course than the entirety of my law school experience beforehand.”
- “Prof. takes the time in and outside of class to help students, to explain complicated research concepts and mechanisms, and to make sure students are prepared as researchers when they enter the world. Everything we learn in class relates back to our future work as attorneys. The research skills I learned in this class will serve me throughout my career, and particularly early on in my career when I am required to do significant amounts of research.”
- “I learned how to perform precise and cost efficient legal research. I think the class as a whole was extremely valuable to enhancing my learning, particularly as a graduating 3L getting ready to start my first job doing litigation at a small firm. The assignments throughout the semester allowed me to practice my research skills as if it were a real work assignment. In that respect, I found it extremely valuable.”
- “I learned more about research in general, legal research websites, and formulating a research plan in this course than the entirety of my law school experience beforehand.”
- “I think this course is just valuable in general. These research skills are useful no matter what field of practice you go into and even if you decide not to become a lawyer and choose a different career path. [It] also touches on citations and uses the bluebook so that’s extremely helpful because it gives us a chance to interact with the bluebook and keep learning how to use it. [The] professor also forces students to interact with other research platforms and not just Lexis and Westlaw and i think that is helpful because when we begin practicing, it will be helpful to know how to use Bloomberg, Fastcase and others.”