

LEGAL PROFESSIONALS NAME FORDHAM LAW ONE OF NATION'S HIDDEN GEM SCHOOLS

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Legal recruiting professionals surveyed by career publisher Vault.com ranked Fordham Law as the nation's 2nd most underrated law school.

More than 500 recruiters, including law firm recruiting managers, law firm hiring partners and corporate counsel, were asked to name law schools that produce excellent graduates but are not given enough credit for their work. Fordham was the only school in the New York Tri-State region to be ranked in the top 25.

The poll results also included excerpts of comments from surveyed recruiters. One recruiting professional said of Fordham Law, "In our experience, Fordham students and graduates are at the top of the profession, on par with graduates of Ivy League law schools."

"These new rankings come as no surprise," said William Michael Treanor, Dean and Professor of Law. "Fordham Law has long been known as one of the nation's top law schools by the people whose opinion matters most—the hiring partners and recruiters who rely on our graduates to be exceptional attorneys, grounded with both a strong theoretical background and solid practical experience in the skills of lawyering."

"Fordham Law is simply one of the nation's best training grounds for lawyers," Treanor said. "The word is getting out."

Fordham Law has long enjoyed placement success and a strong reputation among legal recruiting professionals. Fordham Law is one of the country's top 5 schools in terms of the number of attorneys working at the nation's 30 most successful law firms (as identified by the 2006 *American Lawyer* rankings). The other schools in the top 5 are Harvard, NYU, Columbia, and Georgetown.

Located steps from Manhattan's Lincoln Center, Fordham Law is one of only seven schools in the nation to have more than one top-ranked program in the three areas of legal education: core substantive areas (business and international law), the craft of lawyering (clinical legal education and dispute resolution), and legal theory (legal history and law and philosophy).