

1 PARTICIPANT END OF TRAINING SURVEY QUESTIONS

Thank you for taking a course through the StART program. In an effort to improve our training courses, please complete this short 10-minute survey. Your voluntary response is confidential and data will be analyzed in aggregated form only.

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Thank you in advance for your honest feedback in this important survey.

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1. **When thinking about the course content and presentations for the main topics, please rate the sequence of the lessons in terms of being difficult or easy to follow.**

	Very difficult to follow	Somewhat difficult to follow	Somewhat easy and logical to follow	Very easy and logical to follow
Search Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Claim Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Forms and Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application Filing Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. **When thinking about the course content and presentations for the main topics, how relevant were the training materials to your situation?**

	Not at all relevant	Somewhat relevant	Reasonably relevant	Very relevant
Search Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Claim Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Forms and Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Application Filing Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Please rate the adequacy of the time devoted to each topic in the group sessions?				
		Too Little	Just Right	Too Much	
	Search Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Claim Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Forms and Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Application Filing Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements regarding time spent working one-on-one with a USPTO Trainer. (<i>Please remember, representatives do not provide legal advice nor official ruling of patentability.</i>)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> I did not participate in a breakout session				
		Disagree Strongly	Disagree Somewhat	Agree Somewhat	Agree Strongly
	I was provided with enough information to make clear decisions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	I received enough practice and feedback that applied to my situation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	I had enough time to cover my questions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am better able to apply the course knowledge and skills based on the time spent with a representative.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5.	Please rate the overall effectiveness of the one-on-one breakout sessions.				
	<input type="checkbox"/> I did not participate in a breakout session				
	Breakout Session	Not at all effective	Somewhat effective	Reasonably effective	Very effective
	Search Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Claim Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Forms and Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Application Filing Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	<p>How well do you feel you understand the knowledge and concepts taught in the course?</p> <p>a) I have little understanding, with some confusion and/or blind spots</p> <p>b) I have a basic familiarity</p> <p>c) I have a solid understanding</p> <p>d) I have a comprehensive understanding</p>				
7.	<p>Please rate your confidence level in using the knowledge and skills gained from this course to successfully submit a non-provisional patent application</p> <p>a) Not confident at all</p> <p>b) Somewhat confident</p> <p>c) Reasonably confident</p> <p>d) Very confident</p>				
8.	<p>How soon are you likely to file a non-provisional patent application based on your learning experience and one-on-one session(s)?</p> <p>a) Immediately after this course</p> <p>b) In the next 30 days</p> <p>c) In the next 60 days</p> <p>d) More than 90 days</p> <p>e) I don't plan to proceed with an application submission.</p>				
9.	<p>Please rate your overall satisfaction with the course</p> <p>a) Very dissatisfied</p> <p>b) Dissatisfied</p> <p>c) Satisfied</p> <p>d) Very satisfied</p>				
10.	<p>How likely will you be to recommend this course to someone else?</p> <p>a) Would not recommend</p> <p>b) Recommend if substantive changes made</p> <p>c) Likely to recommend</p> <p>d) Recommend with no hesitation</p>				
11.	<p>Which topics would you be most interested in taking an advanced course in regarding <u>UTILITY</u> patent applications?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PTAB and appeals</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> After final rejection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 101 – Subject Matter Eligibility</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Double Patenting and Restriction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 102 – Anticipation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 103 – Obviousness</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Claim Interpretation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 112(a) – Written Description</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 112(b) – Definiteness</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 112(f) – Means plus function</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Overview Training on the Examination Process</p>				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Specification requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Claim drafting requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Patent application filing requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Interview practice with examiners <input type="checkbox"/> Responding to pre-examination notices <input type="checkbox"/> Responding to office actions <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding application forms <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) [add text box]
<p>12.</p>	<p>Which topics would you be most interested in taking an advanced course in regarding <u>DESIGN</u> patent applications?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> PTAB and appeals <input type="checkbox"/> After final rejection <input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 101 – Subject Matter Eligibility <input type="checkbox"/> Double Patenting and Restriction <input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 102 – Anticipation <input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 103 - Obviousness <input type="checkbox"/> Claim Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 112(a) – Written Description <input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 112(b) – Definiteness <input type="checkbox"/> 35 USC 112(f) – Means plus function <input type="checkbox"/> Overview Training on the Examination Process <input type="checkbox"/> Specification requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Patent application filing requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Interview practice with examiners <input type="checkbox"/> Responding to pre-examination notices <input type="checkbox"/> Responding to office actions <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding application forms <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) [add text box]
	<p>If selected “Recommend if substantive changes made” or “would not recommend” in number 10.</p> <p>What changes would you recommend to improve the course?</p> <p>[Text Field]</p>
	<p>Thank you for taking the StART Course and completing our survey. Your responses will help us to evaluate and, if necessary, improve the course.</p> <p>Clicking 'Done' below will submit your answers, close the survey window, and redirect you to the external USPTO website.</p> <p>When you are satisfied that your responses are complete, click 'Done'.</p>

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