

# **Intentional and Negligence Torts**

### **Course Description**

The Intentional and Negligence Torts course introduces students to the most common torts and the bases upon which personal injury actions arise. It covers a variety of intentional torts and their elements as well as the caveats and limitations of various tort actions.

### **Course Learning Outcomes**

At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Define the torts of battery, assault, intentional infliction of emotional distress, and trespass;
- Differentiate between the torts of trespass to chattel and conversion;
- Distinguish between public and private nuisance and explain them both;
- List the elements of negligence and apply them to given cases;
- Identify potential tortious interferences with contracts, misrepresentation, and malicious prosecution cases;
- Pinpoint the different defenses to torts and demonstrate when they may apply.

#### **Final Exam**

Grades and credit recommendations are based solely on a final exam. When students are ready to take the final exam, they should register for a LawShelf account (or simply log in, for those with existing accounts). Go to the video-course page and click "Take the Final Exam" and pay the exam fee, where applicable. Students will be given instructions on how to take the exam. All exams are proctored by the Voice Proctor® proctoring system. An overview of the system is provided here and it requires no training or learning curve. Grades of 70% or above are considered passing grades and qualify for recommended transfer credit.

The final exam is based on the video course modules. Additional resources detailed in this syllabus are helpful for background and for building greater understanding of the course materials. Inquiries can be made through the LawShelf Contact form on our website by clicking the "email us" button that appears at the bottom of most LawShelf pages. Transcripts can be ordered via Parchment, as detailed on our website.

#### **Case Studies**

Many LawShelf video courses include case studies. These do not necessarily teach new material but are meant to demonstrate how the materials covered in the course are applied by various courts. Concepts covered in the case studies are covered on the final exam, so make sure to watch the case studies before taking the exam. However, it is unnecessary to memorize the facts and details of the cases covered in these case studies.

## **Self-Quizzes**

Video-course modules and case studies feature self-quizzes that consist of practice questions on the materials covered in the videos. These questions are presented for the benefit of the student and are important to review before taking the final exam because they are similar in style and substance to the questions on the final exam. These quizzes are not graded or monitored and there is no record of how students answer these questions. Students may answer these questions as many times as they like and are encouraged to keep re-taking the quizzes until they have mastered all the questions.

# **Study Guide**

## **Introductory Videos**

These videos provide background to help students better understand the main parts of the course, which are the video-course modules below.

#### **Elements of Negligence**

https://lawshelf.com/shortvideoscontentview/elements-of-negligence/

Negligence in Tort Law: Res Ipsa Loquitur and Negligence Per Se

 $\frac{https://lawshelf.com/shortvideoscontentview/negligence-in-tort-law-res-ipsa-loquitur-and-negligence-per-se/}{}$ 

# **Courseware Readings**

These courseware readings provide background to help students better understand the main parts of the course, which are the video-course modules below.

The following readings can be found in the "Foundations of Law" courseware, under Torts:

## **Torts Against Persons**

**Battery** 

Assault

**False Imprisonment** 

**Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress** 

## **Torts Against Property**

**Trespass to Land** 

**Trespass to Chattels** 

**Transferred Intent** 

### **Defenses to Torts Persons and Property**

**Consent - Persons** 

**Consent Privileges - Property** 

**Self Defense** 

## **Negligence Section 1**

**Introduction to Negligence** 

**Duty of Care Part 1** 

**Duty of Care Part 2** 

**Breach of Duty Part 1** 

**Breach of Duty Part 2** 

#### **Negligence Section 2**

**Cause and Harm** 

**Proximate Cause** 

**Indirect Causation** 

#### **Special Duties Section 1**

**Statutory Duties** 

Aid In Emergency

**Contractual Agreement and Common Carriers** 

**Actions of Third Persons 1** 

**Actions of Third Persons 2** 

#### **Economic Torts**

**Misrepresentation** 

**Injurious Falsehood** 

**Interference with Contracts** 

**Malicious Prosecution** 

## **Video Course Modules**

These videos constitute the <u>main part of the course</u> and are they sources of the questions on the final exam.

**Intentional and Negligence Torts Course Overview Video** 

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursescontentview/intentional-and-negligence-torts

**Traditional Intentional Torts - Module 1 of 5** 

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/traditional-intentional-torts-module-1-of-5

Other Intentional Torts - Module 2 of 5

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/other-intentional-torts-module-2-of-5

**Defenses to Intentional Torts - Module 3 of 5** 

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/defenses-to-intentional-torts-module-3-of-5

**Negligence - Module 4 of 5** 

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/negligence-module-4-of-5

**Special Rules in Negligence - Module 5 of 5** 

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/special-rules-in-negligence-module-5-of-5

**Case Study: McGrew v Duncan** 

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/case-study-mcgrew-v-duncan

# **Supplemental Suggested Readings**

These materials enable students to achieve a deeper understanding of the course materials and in applying the course to real-life situations.

Rethinking Tort Doctrine: Visions Of A Restatement (Fourth) Of Torts, <u>UCLA Law Review https://www.uclalawreview.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/34\_50UCLALRev5852002-2003.pdf</u>

Lessons From Breast Implant Litigation, <u>Health Affairs</u> https://www.healthaffairs.org/doi/10.1377/hlthaff.15.4.206