

ACADEMIC COURSE SYLLABUS

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	performance on essay and multiple choice exams.
	While goals of the course include consideration of the evolution of tort law, and how tort law fits into the larger social fabric; the principle goal of the course is to cause students to develop and demonstrate a level of competency in this core subject that will allow them to practice tort law in the state of their choosing.
FORMAT OVERVIEW / METHOD OF INSTRUCTION (Description of how the course will be taught, including breakdown of lecture, practicum, etc.) EXAMS:	Course material will be presented in a lecture-discussion and Socratic method format. Students will be expected to participate in briefing and class discussions. The grade will be comprised of the results of a three hour midterm Exam (25%) and a three hour final exam (75%).
	Two essay questions and a series of multi-state/multiple choice questions will be given for both the midterm and final exams. For the essay questions, students will be expected to identify the legal issues raised in the fact patterns, apply the appropriate rules of law, and arrive at a well reasoned conclusion. For the multi-state/multiple choice questions, students will be expected to choose the best of alternative answers, according to generally accepted common law views, without consideration of an statutes.
	General Policies: Exams begin promptly at 6 p.m. All students must take examinations as scheduled. It is recognized that in special circumstances and due to emergencies, it may be necessary to schedule delayed examinations. An emergency is defined as a serious illness or injury to the student or a member of his or her immediate family. Special Circumstances are defined as other situations that, in the opinion of the Dean, are sufficient to warrant delay in taking examinations. Any student taking delayed examinations <i>must have the prior written approval of the Dean</i> . No examination may be taken <i>prior</i> to the day of the regularly scheduled examination. If delayed examinations are approved by the Dean, a fee of \$75 will be charged for each such exam taken. Failure to complete an exam is not sufficient reason for a late or retake exam.
GRADING / ASSESSMENT CRITERIA/CLASS POLICIES:	Empire College uses the following grading system: Numerically graded classes: 90 – 100 A Outstanding 80 - 89 B Superior 70 - 79 C Satisfactory 65 - 69 D Unsatisfactory 64 and Below Failing/No Credit
	Only numeric grades in Required courses are used to calculate grade point average.

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	class. Students must attend a minimum of 80% (36 hours —		
	12 of 15 classes) of the class sessions during each semester.		
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	Make-up classes to be scheduled if needed.		
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ASSIGNMENTS:			
Fall 2015			
Week 1: 9/3/15	"Development of Liability Based Upon Fault" and "Intentional Interference with		
	Person or Property". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom		
W. 1 2 0/10/15	discussion, Text, pages 1 - 37.		
Week 2: 9/10/15	"Intentional Interference with Person or Property". Read and prepare cases and		
W1-2-0/15/15	problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 37 - 68.		
Week 3: 9/17/15	"Intentional Interference with Person or Property" and "Privileges". Read and		
W1- 4- 0/24/15	prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 68 - 114.		
Week 4: 9/24/15	"Privileges" and "Negligence". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom		
Week 5: 10/1/15	discussion, Text, pages 114 – 150. "Negligence". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion,		
Week 5: 10/1/15	Text, pages 150 - 187.		
Week 6: 10/8/15	"Negligence". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion,		
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Week 7: 10/15/15	"Negligence" and "Causation in Fact". Read and prepare cases and problems for		
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Week 8: 10/22/15	"Causation in Fact" and "Proximate or Legal Cause". Read and prepare cases and		
	problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 267 - 319.		
Week 9: 10/29/15	"Proximate or Legal Cause". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom		
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Week 10: 11/5/15	"Joint Tortfeasors". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom		
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Week 11: 11/12/15	"Joint Tortfeasors" and "Duty of Care" Read and prepare cases and problems for		
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Week 12: 11/19/15	"Duty of Care" and "Owners and Occupiers of Land". Read and prepare cases and		
	problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 452 - 509.		
Week 13: 11/26/15 –	"Owners and Occupiers of Land" and "Damages". Read and prepare cases and		
Thanksgiving - No	problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 509 - 585.		
School			
Week 14: 12/3/15	Catch-up if needed and Review.		
Week 15: Midterm	Midterm exam – 3 hour exam with 2 Essay questions & MBEs. Date will be		
date TBA	published during the semester to all students. Watch for Exam schedule.		

ASSIGNMENTS: SPRING 2016	
Week 1: 1/7/16	"Wrongful Death & Survival" and "Defenses". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 586 - 625.
Week 2: 1/14/16	"Defenses". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 625 - 662.
Week 3: 1/21/16	"Defenses" and "Vicarious Liability". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 662 - 712.
Week 4: 1/28/16	"Strict Liability" and "Products Liability". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 712 - 768.
Week 5: 2/4/16	"Products Liability". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 768 - 832.
Week 6: 2/11/16	"Nuisance" and "Defamation". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 833 - 869.
Week 7: 2/18/16	"Defamation". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 869 - 938.
Week 8: 2/25/16	"Defamation" and "Privacy". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 938 - 1008.
Week 9: 3/3/16	"Privacy" and "Civil Right". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 1008 - 1040.
Week 10: 3/10/16	"Misuse of Legal Procedure" and "Misrepresentation". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 1041 - 1079.
Week 11: 3/17/16	"Misrepresentation". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 1079 - 1116.
Week 12: 3/24/16	"Interference with Advantageous Relationships" Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 1117 – 1177
Week 13: 3/31/16	"Torts in the Age of Statutes" and "Compensation Systems as Substitutes for Tort Law". Read and prepare cases and problems for classroom discussion, Text, pages 1178 - 1236.
Week 14: 4/7/16	Catch-up if needed, Cumulative Review and Exam Preparation
Week 15: Final Exam	, ,
date TBA	material from both semesters. 3 hour exam with 2 Essay questions and MBEs.
	Date will be published during the semester to all students. Watch for Exam
	schedule.

Syllabus subject to change.