

Administrative Master Syllabus

Course Information

Course Title	Torts and Personal Injury Law
Course Prefix, Num. and Title	LGLA 2303 – Torts and Personal Injury Law
Division	Technology and Business
Department	Paralegal Studies
Course Type	WECM Course
Course Catalog Description	This course presents the fundamental concepts of tort and personal injury law including intentional torts, negligence, and strict liability with emphasis on the paralegal's role.
Pre-Requisites	None
Co-Requisites	None

Semester Credit Hours

Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): Lecture Hours: Lab/Other Hours	3:3:0
Equated Pay Hours	3
Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Lab Hours	0
Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Clinical Hours	0
Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Practicum Hours	0
Other Hours Breakdown	0

Approval Signatures

Title	Signature	Date
Department Head:	David Kucera, Technology & Business Division Chair	08-01-2023

Additional Course Information

Topical Outline: Each offering of this course must include the following topics (be sure to include information regarding lab, practicum, and clinical or other non-lecture instruction).

- I. Introduction/Overview to Tort Law
- II. Negligence - defined
- III. The Four Elements of Negligence
- IV. Defenses in Negligence
- V. Intentional Torts
- VI. Defenses to Intentional Torts
- VII. Immunities
- VIII. Premises Liability
- IX. Vicarious Liability
- X. Strict Liability
- XI. Product Liability
- XII. Nuisance
- XIII. Malpractice

Course Learning Outcomes:

Learning Outcomes – Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Use terminology relating to tort and personal injury law;
2. Analyze sources relating to tort and personal injury law;
3. Draft documents used in tort and personal injury law; and
4. Analyze the ethical considerations of the paralegal's role in tort and personal injury law

Methods of Assessment:

1. Assignments and exams
2. Assignments and exams
3. Drafting assignments
4. Assignments and exams

Required text(s), optional text(s) and/or materials to be supplied by the student:

An appropriate textbook on Tort and Personal Injury law covering the course SLOs.

Suggested Course Maximum:

30

List any specific or physical requirements beyond a typical classroom required to teach the course.

None

Course Requirements/Grading System: Describe any course specific requirements such as research papers or reading assignments and the generalized grading format for the course.

Assignments.....40%
Midterm Exam 25%
Final Exam 25%
Class participation.....10%
TOTAL..... 100%

Grading Scale:

A = 90% - 100%

B = 80% - 89%

C = 70% - 79%

D = 60% - 69%

F = 0% - 59%

Curriculum Checklist:

- Administrative General Education Course** (from ACGM, but not in WCJC Core) – No additional documents needed.
- Administrative WCJC Core Course.** Attach the Core Curriculum Review Forms
 - Critical Thinking
 - Communication
 - Empirical & Quantitative Skills
 - Teamwork
 - Social Responsibility
 - Personal Responsibility
- WECM Course** -If needed, revise the Program SCANS Matrix and Competencies Checklist