LAWS C2316: Tort Law 1

Module Title:	Tort Law 1
Language of Instruction:	English

Credits:	5

NFQ Level:	8

Module Delivered In	4 programme(s)

Teaching & Learning Strategies:	Lectures - communication of knowledge and ideas from the lecturer to the student. Problem Solving Exercises - students will work as part of a team and will work together to resolve various legal scenarios. Class Discussion/Debate - Students will be encouraged to actively participate in the class sessions which will develop their analytical and communication skills. E-Learning - It is envisaged that the module will be supported by online learning materials. Self-Direct Independent Learning - the emphasis on independent learning will develop strong and autonomous work and learning practices.

Module Aim:	To provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the general principles of tort law by examining the various forms of liability attaching to the tort of negligence, the relationship between common law, legislation and judicial policy. This module also aims to contribute to the development of the student's skills in legal analysis and problem-solving as well as research and reasoning skills.

Learning Outcomes	
On successful completion of this module the learner should be able to:	
LO1	Identify and demonstrate an understanding of the functions and principles of tort law and the general characteristics of tortious liability.
LO2	Analyse the essential elements of the tort of negligence and the circumstances in which liability in negligence will arise.
LO3	Distinguish between liability arising through fault-based and strict liability torts.
LO4	Utilise traditional and electronic sources in carrying out legal research relating to the law of tort.

Pre-requisite learning
Module Recommendations *This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.*
No recommendations listed
Incompatible Modules *These are modules which have learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.*
No incompatible modules listed
Co-requisite Modules
No Co-requisite modules listed
Requirements *This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.*
No requirements listed

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Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content
Introduction to Torts Definition, nature, aims and functions of the law of torts • Historical development • The law of torts and its relationship with other areas of law
Causation and Remoteness Introduction • Causation – factual and legal • Remoteness
Negligence: General Principles Introduction to and history of negligence • Duty of Care • Breach of Duty – Standard of Care, Proof of Breach • Damage • Recovery for Economic Loss and Nervous Shock
Negligence: Specific Applications Dangerous Products (including Liability for Defective Products Act 1991) • Employers' Duty to Employees • Road Accidents • Professional Negligence including Negligent Misstatements • Construction and Maintenance of Real property (including Occupiers' Liability) • Public Authorities' Duties • Occupiers' Liability

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	20.00%
End of Module Formal Examination	80.00%

Continuous Assessment				
Assessment Type	*Assessment Description*	*Outcome addressed*	*% of total*	*Assessment Date*
Other	n/a	1,2,3,4	20.00	n/a

No Project

No Practical

End of Module Formal Examination				
Assessment Type	*Assessment Description*	*Outcome addressed*	*% of total*	*Assessment Date*
Formal Exam	n/a	1,2,3,4	80.00	End-of-Semester

SETU Carlow Campus reserves the right to alter the nature and timings of assessment

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Module Workload

Workload: Full Time		
Workload Type	*Frequency*	*Average Weekly Learner Workload*
Lecture	Every Week	3.00
Independent Learning Time	Every Week	6.00
	Total Hours	9.00

Workload: Part Time		
Workload Type	*Frequency*	*Average Weekly Learner Workload*
Lecture	Every Week	1.50
	Total Hours	1.50

Module Delivered In

Programme Code	Programme	Semester	Delivery
CW_BBLAW_B	Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Business with Law	3	Mandatory
CW_BBLEG_C_1	Higher Certificate in Arts in Legal Studies	3	Mandatory
CW_BBLAW_C	Higher Certificate in Business with Law	3	Mandatory
CW_HHLAW_B OLD	Honours Bachelor of Laws Degree - LLB	1	Mandatory