



Module Specification

Tort Law

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Tort Law

Module code: UJUUB5-15-2

Level: Level 5

For implementation from: 2025-26

UWE credit rating: 15

ECTS credit rating: 7.5

College: College of Business and Law

School: CBL Bristol Law School

Partner institutions: None

Field:

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: The module will examine the fundamental principles of the Law of Torts and application of the law to a diverse range of practical situations, developing the skills of identifying relevant legal issues and authorities, evaluation and application.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: The aim of this module is to enable students to develop a systematic understanding of the Law of Torts and to develop their problem-solving skills within this subject context.

Outline syllabus: The following is indicative content, not all topics will necessarily be covered, and the content may vary over time as current legal/issues develop. The course comprises a mix of law and legal theory and the following list is an indicative list of topics which the module may include:

An Introduction to the Law of Torts

Negligence

Vicarious Liability

Occupiers' Liability

Nuisance

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The learning on this module will take place through a variety of modes including directed independent learning, self-directed learning, and group activities. Students will need to adopt a proactive approach to the module and engage with the full offer of learning opportunities to ensure successful achievement of the learning outcomes.

Directed independent learning includes engaging with resources such as recordings of lectures and directed reading, preparing for and participation within workshops. Self-directed learning includes activities such as reading, note-taking and undertaking the pre-workshop activities. Group activities may include discussions, collaborative working, and peer learning.

The module is designed through the lectures and workshops to offer an authentic learning experience in which students will apply the legal principles they have studied to practical scenarios. For example, students may be expected to be able to prepare and present brief outlines of and/or answers on the relevant law; their

analysis of specific problems and their 'solutions' to specific case studies in the small group sessions. They will also engage in presenting legal arguments in the context of a practical case scenario.

Module Learning outcomes: On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

MO1 Demonstrate a sound knowledge and understanding of the principles of the Law of Torts, including key theories, principles and debates and with reference to their economic, social, commercial or political context.

MO2 Demonstrate the ability to analyse and evaluate the law.

MO3 Demonstrate effective problem-solving skills involving the ability to analyse realistic problem scenarios, identify relevant legal issues and create coherent legal arguments through appropriate application of material legal principles and arguments.

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 117 hours

Face-to-face learning = 33 hours

Total = 150

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: The assessment strategy for the Law of Torts module is defined to offer an assessment regime that is rigorous as regards breadth and depth of coverage of the syllabus.

Multiple Choice Questions (100%) This will provide students with an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and ability to analyse and apply the law to real world scenarios. This format of assessment is also intended to expose students to

methods adopted in the professional law examinations for those wishing to qualify as a solicitor or barrister.

Assessment tasks:**Set Exercise (First Sit)**

Description: Multiple-Choice Questions: This may involve one or more practical scenarios to be undertaken within a limited time window. This will test both knowledge and application of the relevant legal principles.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Set Exercise (Resit)

Description: Multiple-Choice Questions: This may involve one or more practical scenarios to be undertaken within a limited time window. This will test both knowledge and application of the relevant legal principles.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Law and Criminology [Frenchay] BA (Hons) 2024-25

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