

LAW 2106 Law of Torts for Construction

Hours Per Week			Hours per Semester	Weighted Total Mark	Weighted Exam Mark	Weighted Continuous Assessment	Credit Units
LH	PH	TH	CH	WTM	WEM	WCM	CU
3	0	3	45	100	60	40	3

Course description

This course provides a general condition of liability in torts and its rationale. **Objective(s)**

To give students general knowledge on law of Tort and how it affects construction contracts both internationally and in the Ugandan legal context.

Course contents

1. Law of Tort [45 CH]

- Definition of Tort
- Difference between (i) Tort and Crime (ii) Tort and Breach of Contract
- Essentials of Tort
- Personal Disabilities
- Discharge of Tort
- Exceptions to Tort
- Vicarious Liability
- Remedies
- Damages
- Defamation - Essentials of Libel and Slander - Defences
- Negligence and Contributory Negligence
- Nuisance; Public Nuisance and Private Nuisance
- Malicious Prosecution
- Fraud and Misrepresentation

- Assault, Battery, etc.
- Wrongful Imprisonment

Learning outcomes.

At the end of the course students will be able to understand responsibilities of parties in a contract and how one's actions can amount to tort.

Method of delivery.

The course will be conducted through a mixture of lectures, group discussions and reading assignments. Basic lecture materials and data will be provided by the Lecturer and this will be supplemented by individual reading effort by students.

Method of assessment.

Assessment will be done through continuous coursework and final written examination. Continuous assessment will include assignment and classroom tests . A final examination will be offered at the end of the semester and will carry 60% of the total mark. Coursework will carry a total of 40% and will be divided into: assignments 20%, and written tests 20%.

Reference books and materials.

1. Williams G. (1973), *Learning The Law*, Stevens and Sons, London.
2. Frank, W.F. (1971), *English Law*.