HAMLINE UNIVERSITY
School of Law

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Course:	Torts II
Semester:	Spring 2013
Class Schedule:	Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:50-2:20
Room:	Law Room 103

Required Text

Author:	Christie, Meeks, Pryor & Sanders
Title and edition of text:	Advanced Torts (1st Edition—not the new, 2nd Edition)
Publisher:	Thompson West
ISBN:	9780314151599

Learning Outcomes for the Course

- Know the essential elements of and defenses against various tort causes of action for personal injury (e.g., products liability),economic injury (e.g., fraud), and dignitary injury (e.g., defamation)
- Appreciate how courts struggle with whether defendants' fault should be considered when evaluating the claims of injured plaintiffs
- Understand how the U.S. Constitution restricts certain common law torts

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Course Expectations

HUSL Policies on attendance, lateness and preparation
The program of instruction at the School of Law is based on an active and informed exchange between instructor and student and between student and student. Regular, prepared class attendance helps develop skills essential to the competent practice of law. A student who violates the attendance policy, including the instructor's specification of class expectation described below, may lose his or her right to take the exam in the course, to receive course credit or may receive other penalties described below and in Academic Rule 108. Persistent or frequent lateness or unpreparedness may also be the basis for reduction of the grade awarded in a course. *See* Academic Rule 108 for further details.

Attendance Policy

I expect you to attend every class. You are permitted one unexcused absence; for each subsequent unexcused absence, I will deduct 5 percentage points from your semester point total.

To receive an excused absence, you must email me in advance of the class you intend to miss (absent unforeseen circumstances) and present a valid excuse.

Punctuality Policy

I expect you to show up on time. I reserve the right to deduct up to 5 percentage points from your semester point total for excessive tardiness.

Participation Policy

I expect you to participate in class discussion. I reserve the right to increase your semester point total by up to 5 percentage points for high-quality class participation.

Personal Technology Policy

I expect you to use your computer, if you use one at all, for taking notes only. I reserve the right to deduct up to 5 percentage points from your semester point total for inappropriate computer use. Also, you are not allowed to use mobile phones, digital music players, and the like during class.

Grading Components

Final Examination:	Three Hour Essay
Date/Time:	Self-scheduled
Requirements:	Open book
Component of your grade:	100%

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Reading Assignments

Please note that these entries serve merely as a guide. I may change them if necessary. If I do make any changes, I will announce them as soon as possible.

("CB" refers to the casebook and "S" refers to the supplement available on TWEN.)

Products Liability
Class 1 (Jan. 15): Historical Developments S 1-11; CB 1-17
Class 2 (Jan. 17): Products, Sellers & Defects CB 18-22; S 12-14
Class 3 (Jan. 22): Manufacturing Defects CB 22-28; S 14-20
Class 4 (Jan. 24): Design Defects CB 28-40; S 20-25
Class 5 (Jan. 29): Design Defects Cont. CB 40-65; S 25-27
Class 6 (Jan. 31): Warning Defects CB 68-94
Class 7 (Feb. 5): Warning Defects Cont. CB 94-118
Class 8 (Feb. 7): Defenses CB 134-152
Torts for Economic Injury
Class 9 (Feb. 12): Economic Loss Rule CB 161-178; S 27-29
Class 10 (Feb. 14): Fraud/Misrepresentation CB 230-238; CB 244-259; S 29-30
Class 11 (Feb. 19): Tortious Interference CB 269-283; S 31-33
Class 12 (Feb. 21): Damages for Economic Torts S 33-34; CB 300-309; CB 313-321
Ungraded Midterm Exam
Class 13 (Feb. 26): Ungraded Midterm Exam
Nuisance
Class 14 (Feb. 28): Defining Nuisance & Coming to Nuisance S 34-43
Class 15 (Mar. 5): Spite and Sensitivity, Remedies & Public Nuisance S 43-47; TBA
Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress ("IIED")
Class 16 (Mar. 7): IIED CB 361-397

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Defamation
Class 17 (Mar. 12): Common Law Elements—Defamatory CB 398-418; CB 429-434
Class 18 (Mar. 14): Common Law Elements—About the Plaintiff & Publication CB 418-428; CB 434-442; S 48-51
Class 19 (Mar. 19): Common Law Defenses CB 442-471
Class 20 (Mar. 21): Constitutional Issues CB 471-484 (through note 3); CB 491-505
No Class (Mar. 26 & 28): Spring Break
Class 21 (Apr. 2): Constitutional Issues Cont. CB 518-534; 509-518
Privacy
Class 22 (Apr. 4): False Light & Intrusion Upon Seclusion CB 547-571
Class 23 (Apr. 9): Publication of Private Facts CB 572-590
Class 24 (Apr. 11): Appropriation of Name and Likeness CB 597-614
Wrap-up & Review
Class 25 (Apr. 16): Wrap-up & Review
Class 26 (Apr. 18): Wrap-up & Review

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