



**Required Course Material/Text:**All required readings will be posted on OWL.

**Tentative Topic Schedule:**

Week 1: Legal Overview (Legislation, Court Systems, Case Law, Arbitrations)  
Week 2: Tort Law Intentional Torts  
Week 3: Tort Law Intentional Torts (Cases)  
Week 4: Tort Law Negligence  
Week 5: Tort Law Negligence

A) Students must write their essays and assignments in their own words. Whenever students take an idea, or a passage from another author, they must acknowledge their debt both by using quotation marks where appropriate and by proper referencing such as footnotes or citations. Plagiarism is a major academic offence (see Scholastic Offence Policy in the Western Academic Calendar). All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between Western University and Turnitin.com <http://www.turnitin.com>

B) Computer marked multiple-choice tests and/or exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating.

### **3. Electronic Device Usage:**

**During Exams** - Unless you have medical accommodations that require you to do so, or explicit permission from the instructor of the course, you may not use any of the following electronic devices during ANY of the tests, quizzes, midterms, examinations, or other in-class evaluations: cellphones, smart phones, smart watches, smart glasses, audio players or recorders of any sort, video cameras, video games, DVD players, televisions, laptop/notebook/netbook computers, flashlights or laser pointers.

**During Lectures and Tutorials:** Although you are welcome to use a computer during lecture and tutorial periods, you are expected to use the computer for scholastic purposes only, and refrain from engaging in any activities that may distract other students from learning. Please be respectful to your fellow students and turn the sound off. If the professor receives complaints from other students regarding noise or other disruptive behavior (e.g. watching videos on YouTube.com, updating your Facebook status, playing Solitaire), your classroom privileges will be revoked. From time to time, your professor may ask the class to turn off all computers, to facilitate learning or discussion of the material presented in a particular class. **Unless explicitly noted otherwise, you may not make audio or video recordings of lectures – nor may you edit, re-use, distribute, or re-broadcast any of the material posted to the course website.**

### **4. Health and Wellness:**

Information regarding health and wellness-related services available to students may be found at

## Accommodation Policies



The course instructor will act as moderator for the class and will deal with any questions from participants. To participate please consider the following:

you before beginning your comment or question  
remember to unmute your microphone and turn on your video camera before speaking  
self-identify when speaking.  
remember to mute your mic and turn off your video camera after speaking (unless directed otherwise)

Keep in mind the different cultural and linguistic backgrounds of the students in the course. Be courteous toward the instructor, your colleagues, and authors whose work you are discussing.

Be respectful of the diversity of viewpoints that you will encounter in the class and in your readings. The exchange of diverse ideas and opinions is part of the scholarly environment.