

NEW COURSE FORM

1. General Information.

a. Submitted by the College of: Law Today's Date: March 17, 2010

b. Department/Division: _____

c. Contact person name: Douglas C. Michael Email: michaeld@uky.edu Phone: 71485

d. Requested Effective Date: Semester following approval OR Specific Term/Year¹: _____

2. Designation and Description of Proposed Course.

a. Prefix and Number: Law 917

b. Full Title: Economic and Dignitary Torts

c. Transcript Title (if full title is more than 40 characters): Econ and Dignitary Torts

d. To be Cross-Listed² with (Prefix and Number): _____

e. Courses must be described by at least one of the meeting patterns below. Include number of actual contact hours³ for each meeting pattern type.

<u>1-2</u> Lecture	<u> </u> Laboratory ¹	<u> </u> Recitation	<u>1-2</u> Discussion	<u> </u> Indep. Study
<u> </u> Clinical	<u> </u> Colloquium	<u> </u> Practicum	<u> </u> Research	<u> </u> Residency
<u> </u> Seminar	<u> </u> Studio	<u> </u> Other – Please explain: _____		

f. Identify a grading system: Letter (A, B, C, etc.) Pass/Fail

g. Number of credits: 2-3

h. Is this course repeatable for additional credit? YES NO

If YES: Maximum number of credit hours: _____

If YES: Will this course allow multiple registrations during the same semester? YES NO

i. Course Description for Bulletin: This course is designed to cover in depth some of the important topics of tort law that often are not covered in basic Torts. Those topics include economic torts such as tortious interference with contract and economic advantage and the economic loss rule. The major dignitary torts of Defamation and Right to Privacy are also covered.

j. Prerequisites, if any: _____

k. Will this course also be offered through Distance Learning? YES⁴ NO

l. Supplementary teaching component, if any: Community-Based Experience Service Learning Both

3. Will this course be taught off campus? YES NO

¹ Courses are typically made effective for the semester following approval. No course will be made effective until all approvals are received.

² The chair of the cross-listing department must sign off on the Signature Routing Log.

³ In general, undergraduate courses are developed on the principle that one semester hour of credit represents one hour of classroom meeting per week for a semester, exclusive of any laboratory meeting. Laboratory meeting, generally, represents at least two hours per week for a semester for one credit hour. (from SR 5.2.1)

⁴ You must *also* submit the Distance Learning Form in order for the proposed course to be considered for DL delivery.

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4. Frequency of Course Offering.

a. Course will be offered (check all that apply): Fall Spring Summer

b. Will the course be offered every year? YES NO

If NO, explain: _____

5. Are facilities and personnel necessary for the proposed new course available? YES NO

If NO, explain: _____

6. What enrollment (per section per semester) may reasonably be expected? 20-40

7. Anticipated Student Demand.

a. Will this course serve students primarily within the degree program? YES NO

b. Will it be of interest to a significant number of students outside the degree pgm? YES NO

If YES, explain: _____

8. Check the category most applicable to this course:

Traditional – Offered in Corresponding Departments at Universities Elsewhere

Relatively New – Now Being Widely Established

Not Yet Found in Many (or Any) Other Universities

9. Course Relationship to Program(s).

a. Is this course part of a proposed new program? YES NO

If YES, name the proposed new program: _____

b. Will this course be a new requirement⁵ for ANY program? YES NO

If YES⁵, list affected programs: _____

10. Information to be Placed on Syllabus.

a. Is the course 400G or 500? YES NO

If YES, the *differentiation for undergraduate and graduate students must be included* in the information required in **10.b**. You must include: (i) identification of additional assignments by the graduate students; and/or (ii) establishment of different grading criteria in the course for graduate students. (See SR 3.1.4.)

b. The syllabus, including course description, student learning outcomes, and grading policies (and 400G-/500-level grading differentiation if applicable, from **10.a** above) are attached.

⁵ In order to change a program, a program change form must also be submitted.

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Signature Routing Log

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Identify the groups or individuals reviewing the proposal; note the date of approval; offer a contact person for each entry; and obtain signature of person authorized to report approval.

Internal College Approvals and Course Cross-listing Approvals:

Reviewing Group	Date Approved	Contact Person (name/phone/email)	Signature
Dean	March 17, 2010	David A. Brennen / 71678 / david.brennen@uky.edu	
Curriculum Committee	March 11, 2010	Douglas C. Michael / 71485 / michaeld@uky.edu	
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External-to-College Approvals:

Council	Date Approved	Signature	Approval of Revision ⁶
Undergraduate Council	NA		
Graduate Council	NA		
Health Care Colleges Council	NA		
Senate Council Approval		University Senate Approval	

Comments:

⁶ Councils use this space to indicate approval of revisions made subsequent to that council's approval, if deemed necessary by the revising council.

ADVANCED TORTS: ECONOMIC AND DIGNITARY TORTS

Law 914-002

Professor M. Davis

Fall 2007 Syllabus

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will cover those torts which do not involve physical harm to person or property. The legal claims covered in this course result in purely economic loss. Economic Torts constitute the largest category of tort claims filed and tried in both state and federal courts. The types of claims we will study include defamation and privacy, misrepresentation, intentional and unintentional interference with contract and/or economic advantage.

CLASS PREPARATION

You are expected to be prepared for every class every day and to take part in the discussion. Preparation includes studying the assigned reading materials and formulating answers to the problems and questions raised in the materials. I do not accept "unprepared" or "pass" as a response to a question. Such a response will constitute demonstrated lack of preparation and will be taken into account in determining your grade based on the grading criteria discussed below.

EVALUATION

You will be evaluated on the basis of a written final examination, open book, which will be graded anonymously and will be worth one hundred (100) percent of your grade. In addition, active participation in the class discussion is required and expected; inadequate preparation and/or participation, including the use of "unprepared" or "pass" responses as discussed above, may reduce your class grade by as much as one grade level (e.g., from B+ to B or B- to C+). Attendance is considered in determining your final grade as explained below.

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at classes is expected. Under the rules of the College of Law any student who misses more than 25% of the class sessions (7 absences in a two-hour class) will be excluded from the final examination. Any student who misses 25% of the class sessions in Advanced Torts will be excluded from the final examination and will receive a grade of E for the course.

Short of exclusion from the examination, any absence that is not excused under the University Student Code is treated as demonstrated lack of preparation/ participation in applying the grading standards explained above. Three (3) or more un-excused absences is excessive and will result in a reduction of your final grade by one grade level.

TEXTS

The assigned text for the course is Dobbs & Bublick, *Advanced Torts: Economic and Dignitary Torts* (2006).

ASSIGNMENTS

A rough list of assignments follows:

Aug. 21	Part I: Defamation and Privacy: pages 1 - 14
Aug. 24	pages 14 - 29
Aug. 28	pages 31 - 41
Aug. 31	pages 42 - 65
Sept. 4	No Class – Monday schedule in effect
Sept. 7	pages 65 -75
Sept. 11	pages 87 - 107
Sept. 14	pages 107 - 122; 124 - 126
Sept. 18	pages 127 - 142; 147 - 158
Sept. 21	pages 159 - 182
Sept. 25	pages 183 - 203
Sept. 28	No Class
Oct. 2**	pages 210 - 237
Oct. 5	No Class
Oct. 9**	pages 237 - 257
Oct. 12**	Part II: Intangible Harms to Economic Interests:
	pages 325 - 350
Oct. 16**	pages 369 - 382
Oct. 19	pages 382 - 405
Oct. 23	pages 406 - 422
Oct. 26	pages 441 - 453
Oct. 30	pages 453 - 469
Nov. 2	pages 470 - 485
Nov. 6	pages 561 - 576
Nov. 9	pages 577 - 594
Nov. 13	pages 595 - 620
Nov. 16	pages 621 - 639
Nov. 20	pages 700 - 721
Nov. 27	pages 721 - 738
Nov. 30	Review

** 75 minute class to make-up missed class

HONOR CODE

All work in this course is subject to the College of Law Honor Code.

OFFICE HOURS

My office is located in Room 142, on the first floor of the Law Building. Official "Office hours" will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. I do not care if you want to come see me during other times, however, and I will be happy to meet with you if I am able. If you want to schedule a particular time to meet, just let me know. In addition, please feel free to contact me by e-mail with any questions you may have. My e-mail address is mjdavis@uky.edu. My office phone number is 257-3198.