

# LAW-858: Advanced Torts

This 2-hour course explores Advanced Torts with a Product Liability emphasis. Product Liability is the principle governing damages for wrongs that are non-contractual (i.e., legal responsibility for losses not grounded in contract). This course will comprehensively review and explore the circumstances and theories under which liability and damages may be imposed upon those who sell products that are unreasonably dangerous because they are defectively designed, manufactured, or have inadequate warnings or instructions.

Components of this course will include reading, class discussion and practical exercises that develop and shape legal analysis, reasoning, strategy and advocacy from the perspective of both Plaintiffs and Defendants. Practical exercises will be comprised of oral (and written) presentations that, among other things: 1) focus on skill sets and techniques to present extremely complex information to juries; 2) explore jury selection strategies; and, 3) address the challenges that arise when trial testimony is largely dependent on doctors, scientists and engineers as witnesses.

**Credits:** 3

**Program:** Law