



TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY  
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL *of* LAW

# **RECREATIONAL INJURIES**

LAW 723 / SECTION 1

FALL 2017-18

**PROFESSOR**

**WALTER CHAMPION**

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**LOCATION:** 231K

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
(12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.)

Tuesday and Thursday  
(10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

**(All other times by appointment only)**

**NOTE FROM THE PROFESSOR:**

## **COURSE BOOKS & MATERIAL**

**Champion, Recreational Injuries, Cases, Documents, and Materials**, (Aspen Select, August 2015). **This book must be brought to every class.**

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVE**

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Detailed analysis of recreational injury cases and litigation. Detailed review of torts as it relates to various sports and recreational injuries. This year we're going to look at "the Punch" and concussion litigation as our practicum.

### **OBJECTIVE:**

To provide a detailed analysis into the law and litigation of injury cases in sports and recreational situations.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

If you require special accommodations, please fill out the necessary forms with the Dean's office. Your application and documentation will remain confidential. Your prompt attention will allow the law school to accommodate you, as soon as it has been made aware of your situation.

Please see:

[http://www.tsulaw.edu/student\\_affairs/docs/2011-2012AccommodationsHandbook.pdf](http://www.tsulaw.edu/student_affairs/docs/2011-2012AccommodationsHandbook.pdf)

## **PARTICIPATION, ATTENDANCE & PROFESSIONALISM**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

The Student Rules and Regulations do **not** provide for excused absences under any circumstance(s).

Students are provided a certain number of absences per class, per semester that may be used/taken for any reason whatsoever. The allowed absences follow this formula: [number of credit hours x 2] – 1, (Example: 3(hrs.) x 2 = 6 – 1 = 5 allotted absences for a three hour course for the entire semester). Any absences after the four excused absences will result in a loss of points in your overall grade calculation.

Once the allotted number of absences are exceeded, a student's grade may be reduced. To this affect, a list of each student's name and the number of absences is submitted to the Office of the Dean at the end of each semester. As such, a scale is applied in order to calculate the grade reduction so that the rule is implemented in a uniform manner.



# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2017 – 2018

### FALL SEMESTER 2017 (SEVENTY DAYS OF CLASSES)

Orientation	Monday-Friday	August 14-18, 2017
<b>First Day of Class</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>August 21, 2017</b>
Last Day to ADD/DROP	Friday	August 25, 2017
<b>Labor Day (NO CLASSES)</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 4, 2017</b>
<i>Purge of all unpaid course selections</i>	Thursday	September 20, 2017
Mid Term Examinations	Mon – Fri	October 16 -20, 2017
<b>VETERANS DAY (NO CLASSES)</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 10, 2017</b>
<b>Thanksgiving Holiday</b>	<b>Thurs – Fri</b>	<b>November 23-24, 2017</b>
Last Day of Classes	Thursday	November 30, 2017
Last Day to Drop a Class	Thursday	November 30, 2017
First Year Professors' Grades due	Thursday	November 30, 2017
Reading Period (NO CLASS)	Friday - Sunday	December 1-3, 2017
Final Examinations	Mon –Fri	December 4 -Dec. 15, 2017
Commencement	Saturday	December 16, 2017

### SPRING SEMESTER 2018 (SEVENTY DAYS OF CLASSES)

School Opens	Tuesday	January 2, 2018
First Day of Class	Monday	January 8, 2018
Last Day to ADD/DROP	Friday	January 12, 2018
<b>M L K Holiday (No Classes)</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 15, 2018</b>
<i>Purge of all unpaid course selections</i>	Wednesday	February 7, 2018
<b>President's Day Holiday (No Classes)</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 19, 2018</b>
Mid Term Examinations	Mon – Fri	March 5–9, 2018
Spring Break	Mon – Fri	March 12 – 16, 2018
<b>Good Friday (No Classes)</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 30, 2018</b>
Last Day of Classes	Wednesday	April 25, 2018
Last Day to Drop a Class	Wednesday	April 25, 2018
First Year Professors' Grades due	Wednesday	April 25, 2018
Reading Period ( <b>No Classes</b> )	Thur. – Sun	April 26 - 29, 2018
Final Examinations	Mon- Fri	April 30 – May 11, 2018
Hooding Ceremony	Friday	May 11, 2018
Commencement	Saturday	May 12, 2018

Please note that the calendar events and /or dates are subject to change.

TMSLAW REGISTRAR  
Approved 5/31/2017



## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Please reference the Thurgood Marshall School of Law [Student Rules and Regulations Handbook](#).

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## **READING ASSIGNMENTS**

**Week 1 – August 21, 2017 – Chapter 1**

**Week 2 – August 28, 2017 – Chapter 1**

**Monday, September 4, 2017 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY**

**Week 3 – September 4, 2017 – Chapter 2**

**Week 4 – September 11, 2017 – Chapter 2**

**Week 5 – September 18, 2017 – Chapter 3**

**Week 6 – September 25, 2017 – Chapter 3**

**Week 7 – October 2, 2017 – Chapter 4**

**Week 8 – October 9, 2017 – Chapter 5**

**Week 9 – October 16, 2017 – Chapter 6**

**Week 10 – October 23, 2017 – Chapter 7**

**Week 11 – October 30, 2017 – Chapter 8, 9**

**Week 12 – November 6, 2017 – Chapter 10, 11**

**Week 13 – November 13, 2017 – Chapter 12**

**Week 14 – November 20, 2017 – Chapter 12**

**Take – home essay examination.**