

Marking Rubric for LAWS2400 – Tort Law Research Essay (rubric based on overall marks out of 40 towards the unit total)

Criteria	HD	D	Credit	Pass	Fail
Discussion and knowledge of relevant law <i>20 marks</i>	Presented a comprehensive and sophisticated discussion of relevant issues and theory. Clear and accurate identification of key relevant law.	Presented a comprehensive discussion of relevant issues and theory. Clear and accurate identification of most of the key relevant law.	Presented a strong understanding of relevant issues and theory. Some demonstrated knowledge of relevant law.	Presented a general understanding of relevant issues and theory. Limited demonstration of relevant law.	Failed to illustrate an understanding of relevant issues and theory. Little demonstrated knowledge of relevant law.
Research <i>20 marks</i>	Located, evaluated and synthesised an extensive range of highly relevant information that substantially supported your analysis.	Located, evaluated and synthesised a range of relevant information that supported your analysis.	Located, evaluated and incorporated a range of relevant information that supported your analysis.	Located and collated partly relevant information that provided some support for your analysis.	Used information from sources that was tenuously related to your analysis.
Evaluation <i>40 marks</i>	Carried out a comprehensive, coherent and well sustained evaluation validated with clear examples based on research relevant to the issues discussed.	Carried out a coherent and persuasive, well sustained evaluation validated with examples based on research relevant to the issues discussed.	Carried out a coherent evaluation illustrated with examples based on research relevant to the issues discussed.	Carried out a coherent evaluation supported with some examples relevant to the issues discussed.	Failed to carry out a coherent evaluation and/or provide examples relevant to the issues discussed.
Justifications of the position adopted by the paper <i>10 marks</i>	Offered Coherent and comprehensive justifications of the position adopted in the paper.	Made coherent and specific justifications of the position adopted in the paper	Made clear justifications of the position adopted in the paper.	Made general justifications of the position adopted in the paper	Failed to offer any justification of the position adopted by the paper.
Structure, grammar and referencing. <i>10 marks</i>	Logically and succinctly structured the content to create a cohesive and coherent analytical piece of work. Used plain English. Consistently adhered to grammar and punctuation conventions. No spelling errors. Accurately and consistently adhered to the Australian Guide to Legal Citation (4 th Edition).	Logically structured the content to create a cohesive and coherent analytical piece of work. Used plain English. Generally adhered to grammar and punctuation conventions. Almost always adhered to the Australian Guide to Legal Citation (4 th Edition).	Logically structured the content to create mainly descriptive piece of work. Occasionally used plain English. Mostly followed grammar and punctuation conventions. Mostly followed the Australian Guide to Legal Citation (4 th Edition).	Partially structured the content into loosely-linked rudimentary paragraphs to create a comprehensible descriptive piece of work. Occasionally used plain English. Mostly followed grammar and punctuation conventions. Followed some of the Australian Guide to Legal Citation (4 th Edition).	Partially structured the content. Used language that was difficult to understand or not suited for the task. Did not accurately proof read the work before submission. Only loosely followed the AGLC3 (4 th Edition).