



Seminar "Comparative Constitutional Law" 2025

A **seminar on Comparative Constitutional Law** will be organized by the Chair of Prof. Eva Maria Belser in the **spring semester 2025**. The seminar is intended to offer interested students the opportunity to engage with comparative constitutional law despite the cancellation of the block course. It is planned to have about **four sessions** of about **2 hours each**, the dates of which will be **set in consultation with the participants** (probably **after the Easter vacations**). Participation to these sessions is mandatory for all participants. The aim of the sessions is to get to know the topic of comparative constitutional law, to discuss methods and to deepen our knowledge of individual topics. Participants will give a short presentation and write a paper on a topic of their choice (shorter than a seminar paper); they will be supported and supervised in the process. Students may also choose to write the paper during the summer break. Documents and further information will be made available on moodle in due time.

The main objectives of the course are the following: (i) students are familiar with comparative working methods; (ii) students know various constitutions and court cases and are able to deal with different legal texts and cases; (iii) students are aware of different human rights concepts and implementation mechanisms; (iv) students are acquainted with different state organization systems and are able to grasp differences and commonalities; (v) students understand the importance of context to constitutional questions and answers.

The seminar is intended for students enrolled in the Master's degree program. Interested students can register with Géraldine Cattilaz (geraldine.cattilaz@unifr.ch). The **deadline for inscription** is **31 March 2025**. Participants will then be contacted regarding the dates for the in-class sessions.

If you have any questions, please contact Géraldine Cattilaz (geraldine.cattilaz@unifr.ch).