Constitutional Studies (CNST)

CNST 2600
Comparative Constitutionalism
3:3:0  Fall, Spring
* Prerequisite(s): POLS 1000 or POLS 1100

Compares and contrasts the political, social and economic aspects of the origins, drafting, and development of constitutions across the globe.

CNST 4730
Framing of the US Constitution
3:3:0  Fall, Spring
* Prerequisite(s): POLS 4720 and University Advanced Standing

Examines the political and constitutional arguments of the Framers of the Federal Constitutional Convention. Discusses the strengths and weaknesses of the Constitution and the alternative language and plans presented at the Convention. Examines the ratification of the Constitution, focusing on the Anti-Federalists' critique and the Federalists' defense of that historic document. Employs a critical analysis of the political factors affecting the drafting and ratifying of the Constitution.

CNST 4795
Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
3:3:0  Spring
* Prerequisite(s): POLS 4790 and University Advanced Standing

Examines, with a critical lens, the political and constitutional aspects of the origins, drafting, and development of The Bill of Rights, the Modern Civil Rights Movements, and the Ninth, Tenth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, and Nineteenth Amendments to the Constitution.

CNST 490R
Issues and Topics in Constitutional Studies
3:3:0
* Prerequisite(s): (POLS 1000 or POLS 1100) and University Advanced Standing

Surveys a specific topic in constitutional studies. Topic varies each semester. With the approval of the department chair or coordinator, students may repeat the course for a maximum of 9 credits toward graduation.

CNST 491R
Independent Study
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* Prerequisite(s): (POLS 1000 or POLS 1100), Instructor Approval, and University Advanced Standing

Provides independent study for students unable to secure a desired course subject matter within regular curriculum offerings. Requires student and instructor design and complete readings and other projects at the upper division level, with the approval of the department chair or coordinator. May be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits toward graduation.