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Comparative Conflict Resolution

Comparative Constitutionalism: the United Kingdom & the United States

Programme
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Saturday, 4th &
Sunday, 5th July 2015
Arrival, Hector Boece Court, Hillhead Halls of Residence, University of Aberdeen [see map]
https://www.abdn.ac.uk/about/campus/maps/view/74/

Monday, 6th July
9.30 am Welcome and Orientation in The Old Senate Room – All classes will be held in this room.
Presentation by Professor David Carey Miller (Scottish Legal System)
10.45 am Coffee & Cookies (which will be provided each teaching day at 10.45 am)
11.00 am Visit from DIT Staff (IT staff coming to ensure that all students have Web/WFI access)
11.15 am Tour of Law Library – Nicola Will, Site Services Manager
http://www.abdn.ac.uk/library/about/taylor/
11.45 am Tour of the Sports Village Aberdeen Sports Village Sports Centre Reception (Linksfield Road entrance) which will include the Sports Centre followed by the Aquatics Centre.
http://www.aberdeensportsvillage.com/
3.00 pm Tour of Old Aberdeen – Mr Scott Styles – A guided tour of the Campus & Old Aberdeen; meet in the Foyer, Ground Floor, Taylor Building.
5.00 pm Official Welcome to Aberdeen University
Ms Anne-Michelle Slater, Head of the Law School at a Drinks Reception in The Old Senate Room (Relaxed formal dress for this function. The official programme photograph will be taken at 5.30pm. Function ends around 5.45pm).

Tuesday, 7th July
9.05 am Comparative Conflict Resolution - Professor Deborah Eisenberg
Introduction, Overview of Sources of Conflict & Frameworks for Handling Conflicts & Disputes
10.45 am Coffee and Cookies
11.00 am Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – Professor CJ Peters – Principal Characteristics of US Constitutionalism: the Separation of the Legislative and Executive Powers
1.30 pm Trip to Fyvie Castle – coach departs for Fyvie, at 1.30pm. Pick up at University Road, returning around 5.30 pm (students to be dropped off at Hillhead Halls on return).
Wednesday, 8th July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – **Professor Deborah Eisenberg** – Negotiation: Theory & Interactive Exercises

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – **Dr Robert Taylor** – Principal Characteristics of UK Constitutionalism: The Westminster System; the Fusion of Powers Parliamentary Sovereignty.

Thursday, 9th July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution - **Professor Deborah Eisenberg** – Overview of Mediation: Theory & Policy Issues

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States - **Professor CJ Peters** - Principal Characteristics of US Constitutionalism: a Codified Constitution; the Amendment Process

Friday, 10th July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution - **Professor Deborah Eisenberg** - Introduction to Basic Mediation Skills

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – **Dr Robert Taylor** – Controlling Executive Power: The Rule of the Law; Judicial Review; the Royal Prerogative: Constitutional Conventions.
**Week 2**

**Monday, 13th July**

*Vacation*

**Tuesday, 14th July**

9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – **Professor Deborah Esinberg** – Policy & Practice Issues Relating to Arbitration in the United States

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States - **Professor CJ Peters** - Principal Characteristics of US Constitutionalism: Individual Rights; Judicial Review

6.00 pm  **Evening Reception** – Presentation - Sheriff Alison Stirling, Aberdeen Sheriff Court, to be held in The Old Senate Room (Refreshments will be supplied)

**Wednesday, 15th July**

9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – **Mr Derek Auchie** – Arbitration in the UK

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – **Dr Robert Taylor** – Contemporary Challenges: EU membership; Human Rights Act the Common Law.

2.30 pm  **Civic Reception** in the St Nicholas Room of the Town House. This is the official welcome by the City of Aberdeen to the Summer School, which includes afternoon tea and a tour of the Town House. Go to the main door entrance in Union Street, near junction of Union and King Street. It is a relaxed formal dress code.

**Thursday, 16th July**

9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – **Mr Derek Auchie** – Mediation in the UK

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States - **Professor CJ Peters** - The Quasi-political Nature of the US Constitution: Civil-Rights Case Studies
Friday, 17th July

0700 **Edinburgh Trip** – coach departs from Hillhead Hall of Residence for Edinburgh at 7.00 am sharp; participants must be appropriately dressed for attending superior courts (please also note comfortable shoes are also advisable for walking around Edinburgh).


1345 A visit to Scottish Parliament – Meet Rosalind Newlands, Tour Guide

1530 Coach leaves Edinburgh to return to Aberdeen but participants are free to spend the weekend in Edinburgh if preferred – own arrangements must be made for accommodation and return transport.
Week 3

Monday, 20th July  Vacation

Tuesday, 21st July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – Mr Derek Auchie – International Institutional Arbitration: Choices, choices

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – Mr Mike Radford & Dr Robert Taylor – Principal Characteristics of UK Constitutionalism, concluded: class discussion

Wednesday, 22nd July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – Mr Derek Auchie – Policy & Practice Issues Relating to International Arbitration

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States - Professor CJ Peters - Unity vs. Devolution in the US: Historical, Doctrinal and Theoretical Background.

Thursday, 23rd July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – Arbitration Simulation Exercise - Professor Deborah Eisenberg & Mr Derek Auchie

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – Mr Mike Radford - Unity vs. Devolution in the UK: the Case of Scotland

Friday, 24th July  Vacation
Week 4

Monday, 27th July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – Mr Derek Auchie – Mediation in the UK – The Challenges

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States - Professor CJ Peters - Unity vs. Devolution in the US: A Case Study: Racial Equality

Tuesday, 28th July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution – Mr Derek Auchie – Aspects of Cross-Border Mediations

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – Mr Mike Radford - Unity vs. Devolution in the UK: the Case of Scotland, cont.

Wednesday, 29th July  7.00 am  Edinburgh Trip to High Court – coach departs from Hillhead Hall of Residence for Edinburgh at 7.00 am sharp; participants must be appropriately dressed for attending High Court (please also note comfortable shoes are also advisable for walking around Edinburgh).

10.00 am  Edinburgh High Court – Criminal Trials – Lord Pentland

Thursday, 30th July  9.05 am  Comparative Conflict Resolution - Professor Deborah Eisenberg – Restorative Justice

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States – Mr Mike Radford -

Friday, 31st July  9.05 am  Revision - Comparative Conflict Resolution

10.45 am  Coffee and Cookies

11.00 am  Revision - Comparative Constitutionalism: The United Kingdom & the United States

12.00 NOON  Final Lunch @ Sir Duncan Rice Library, Meeting Room 1 (seventh floor).
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