COMPARATIVE LAW
SYLLABUS

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TEXTS: Comparative Constitutional Review (CCR), Corrado; Comparative Criminal Procedure (CCP), Thaman.

GRADING: For non-writing students, there will be three one-hour, open book examinations during the semester. Writing students will take the first two of those examinations, and will turn in a fifteen page research paper on some aspect of foreign law.

COURSE OUTLINE

Week Topics

I. History

1. Introduction; Roman Law
   a. Background of Roman Law
   b. Family law
      Reading: (1) Brief outline of Roman law.
      (2) Justinian’s Institutes: II:18, Of an unduteous will; III:25, Of partnership; IV:3, Of the lex Aquilia; IV:8, Of noxal actions.

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2. Revival of Roman Law;
   a. Medieval Law
   b. Revival of Roman Law
   c. Church law; Commercial law
      Reading: (1) ?; (2) The Marradi Ball Players

Writing section: There will be a session on research in foreign and international materials during this week, probably on Wednesday (remind me to do it in the afternoon!)

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3. Revolution; Codes
   a. Revolution in France
   b. Codemaking in Germany
      Reading: CCR, Introduction and Chapter One
## II. Courts and Procedure

| 4 | Courts; Procedure | a. Courts: France:  
|   |                   | b. Courts: Germany:  
|   |                   | c. Procedure:  

| 5 | Civil Procedure | Handouts |

## III. Constitutions and Judicial Review

| 6 | Constitutional Review | CCR |
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| 7 | Constitutional Review | CCR |
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| 8 | Constitutional Review | CCR |
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## IV. Substance

| 9 | Substantive Law | a. Public and Private Law  
|   |                | b. France: General  
|   |                | c. France: Torts: Handout  

| 10 | Substantive Law | a. France: Torts: Handout  
|    |                | b. Italy: Property: Handout  
|    |                | c. Italy: Property  

## V. Muslim Law

| 11 | Muslim Law | Handout |
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| 12 | Muslim Law | Handout |
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| 13 | TBA |