

## Global Learning Semesters

### Course Syllabus

Course: LAW-366 Comparative Law II

Department: Law

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
LAW-366	Comparative Law II	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	LAW-365
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Law	Upper Division	English

### Course Description

1. The Anglo-American Legal Family: the development of the English Common Law; courts and lawyers in England; the spread of the Common Law throughout the world; the law of the United States of America; law-finding and procedure in Common Law and Civil Law.
2. The Nordic Legal Family: Scandinavian law past and present.
3. Law in the Far East: Chinese law, Japanese law.
4. Religious legal systems: Islamic law, Hindu law.

### Instructor

Dr Kaniye S A Ebeku

### Course Aims and Objectives

The first semester having traced the roots of the Civil Law legal family, the second semester continues with emphasis, particularly, on non-European legal systems. Good stress will be placed on the religious legal systems: Islamic law and Hindu law.

### Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures, discussions, presentations, and problem-solving activities.

### Course Teaching Hours

42 hours (30 hours of lectures, 12 hours of seminars/tutorials and student-led presentation/seminars). The course is delivered during the Spring semester in 14 weeks (3 hours/week).

### Evaluation and Grading

Assigned work: 25%  
Interim tests: 25%

Final Exam: 50%

## Readings and Resources

### Required Textbook

K. Zweigert & H. Kotz, Introduction to Comparative Law, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Clarendon, 1998

### Recommended Reading

P. De Cruz, Comparative Law in a Changing World, 2nd ed., Cavendish, 1999

R.B. Schlesinger, et al, Comparative Law: Cases, Text, Materials, University Casebook Series, 1998

M A Glendon, et al, Comparative Legal Traditions: Text, Materials, and Cases on Civil Law, Common Law, and Socialist Law Traditions, with special reference to French, West German, English, and Soviet Law, West Pub Co, 1985