Overview

In 1789, after the War of Independence and a failed government under the Articles of Confederation, the founding fathers of the United States created a government structure that represented their distrust of governmental authority. The system, Federalism, divided the powers of government between the national government and the various state governments. Additionally, the powers allocated to the national government were divided among three co-equal branches of government. The founders understood from history and experience that the greatest danger to democracy was the consolidation of power. Over time, the United States Supreme Court has been called upon to determine whether one branch of government had overstepped its authority.

Many modern democracies around the world have adopted parts of the United States Constitution. The Constitution of India incorporated several key components of the United States Constitution including an independent judiciary, judicial review, federalism, and separation of powers among the three branches.

Now, over two hundred years old, the United States Constitution has been amended only 27 times and is one of the shortest national constitutions in place. However, many scholars consider the United States Supreme Court opinions interpreting and applying the various constitutional provisions as part of the constitution. Thus, to gain a solid understanding of the United States Constitution, a student must read and understand those opinions.

An understanding of the history and development of the United States Constitution will inform a deeper understanding of the Constitution of India for a student of law or a legal professional seeking a greater understanding of the Constitution of India.

The participants are going to explore the knowledge about the true functioning of one of the greatest Democracies in the World. The nature of learning in the
program includes the practical learning such as lectures, tutorials and debate and discussion, etc. All the sessions will be fully interactive. The participants are going to test themselves by answering a simple test conducted by the resource persons.

**Number of participants for the course will be limited to hundred (100).**

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**Who may Attend?**

- Law Students at all Levels
- Faculty from Law Schools, Universities, Colleges, and Institutions of Higher Education
- Lawyers
- Civil Servants, Judges, and Government Officials

**Fees**

- Law Students at all Levels: Rs. 500/-
- Faculty from Law Schools, Universities, Colleges, and Institutions of Higher Education: Rs. 1,000/-
- Students/Independent Researchers: Rs. 500/-

The above fees include: **Workshop Kit, Instructional Materials, Working Lunch and Tea.**

The participants will have to take care of their travel and accommodation. However, accommodation can be arranged for the participants at the Shivaji University Guest House on first-cum-first-serve basis strictly against payment. For any queries regarding registration or other practical information, please contact the course coordinator. Participants can register for the course on the link below:

**Dates and Duration:** The Program will be scheduled during **December 14\textsuperscript{th} to December 20\textsuperscript{th}, 2017, (7 days), Venue:** Shivaji University, Kolhapur
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3. Now, pay the requisite Course Fee online in favour of the Finance and Accounts Officer, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, A/C No: ____________, IFSC Code: ____________________________, MICR Code: ________________. Keep the payment info (transaction # & date) handy. You’ll need this during the next step. Also, please retain the receipt for on-spot submission.

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