



**Dr. Gordon Silverstein (Yale Law School)**  
**“The U.S. Supreme Court and American Constitutional  
Development”**

Guest-lectured two-weeks block course  
12-22 June 2017, University of Göttingen  
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The Institute of International and European Law is glad to announce the two-weeks block course “The U.S. Supreme Court and American Constitutional Development” from 12-22 June 2017 at the University of Göttingen. The course is taught by Dr. Gordon Silverstein, who is the Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs as well as Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School and a renowned expert in American constitutional law.

The course will address the development of the power and scope of the United States Supreme Court and the evolution of judicial review. Using legal, historical, institutional and a variety of other analytic approaches, it will focus on the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark constitutional decisions and the techniques of constitutional interpretation that have enabled the judiciary to influence, shape and constrain the American political system. Key issues will include the continuing struggles on the power of judicial review, the Court's role in policing the separation of powers at the federal level – between Congress and the President over issues ranging from war and emergency powers to impeachment – and the battle for power between the states and the government under the federal principle.

The course is open for students of law and of social science, including Erasmus students. The course language will be English. Law students can take an oral exam to obtain a language certificate (Fremdsprachennachweis gem. § 4 Abs. 1 Nr. 1 d NJAG). There will also be opportunities for Bachelor and Erasmus students to take oral exams.

For further information, please visit the UniVZ (Course-No. 431161).

Should you require further information concerning organizational issues, please contact the Students' Office ([studieren@jura.uni-goettingen.de](mailto:studieren@jura.uni-goettingen.de)); for further enquiries concerning the content of the course, please contact Dr. Till Patrik Holterhus ([tholter@gwdg.de](mailto:tholter@gwdg.de)).