Course title: Comparative Public Law/Systems of Governance				
Course code: MPL 151	No. of credits: 3	L-T-P: 42-0-0	Learning hours: 42	
Pre-requisite course code and title (if any): None				
Department: Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies, Department of Policy & Management Studies				
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Course type: Core	Course off	Course offered in: Semester 1		
Course description:				

Comparative public law as a discipline has assumed renewed significance especially after the cold war with many states in the erstwhile communist block embarking on framing new constitutions. The purpose of this course is to provide a critical understanding of the main issues, trends and methods in comparative public law. The main areas covered in the course are: Constitutionalism, separation of powers, rights, amendment, and emerging trends and issues. An understanding of the subject would help the students to better appreciate a particular legal system in the wider socio-political context in which it operates. The relevance of this discipline has increased with globalization wherein legal ideas, governance structures and even legal terminologies migrate. An attempt is made not to reduce the course to a mere description of select documents and important judicial decisions, but to use the richness of social science literature and methods in the analysis of various topics.

## **Course objectives:**

1. To provide an overview of the scope, uses and methods of comparative public law.

2. To address key areas of comparative public law like separation of powers, rights, and judicial review to better understand and appreciate one's own legal system

3. To critically analyse new constitutional movements that are changing the boundaries of constitutionalism and constitutional systems.