

# Constitution Building in Africa Summer University 2021

## Schedule

<b>Week 1</b>		<b>June 1 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
<b>Day 1</b>	<b>Key terms and concepts I</b>	
Topic	What is a constitution? What is constitutionalism?	
Topic	Constitutions with / without constitutionalism Is constitutionalism in crisis? Is this unique to Africa?	

<b>Week 1</b>		<b>June 2 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
<b>Day 2</b>	<b>Key terms and concepts II</b>	
Topic	What is constitution-making? How is it different from constitution building? What legitimizes a constitution / a constitution-building process?	
Topic	Forces and actors that shape constitution-building	

<b>Week 2</b>		<b>June 8 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
<b>Day 3</b>	<b>The classic case for a multi-step process: South Africa</b>	
Topic	Mapping South Africa topic one	
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<b>Week 2</b>		<b>June 9 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
<b>Day 4</b>	<b>Process design after SA</b>	
Topic	Long-term lessons from South Africa: Lessons on multi-step processes / dominant parties / big personalities	
Topic	Incentives for moving the process along / breaking deadlocks / frozen processes - Actors who can break a deadlock	

<b>Week 3</b>		<b>June 15 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
<b>Day 5</b>	<b>Constitution-building in waves: Kenya</b>	
Topic	Mapping Kenya topic 1	
Topic	Mapping Kenya topic 2	

<b>Week 3</b>		<b>June 16 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
<b>Day 6</b>	<b>Themes from the Kenyan process</b>	
Topic	Taming imperial presidencies	
Topic	Incentives for / challenges to decentralisation: redistribution and ethnic diversity	

<b>Week 4 Day 7</b>	<b>Revolutionary process - with conservative forces: Tunisia</b>	<b>June 22 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
Topic	Mapping topic 1: elected constituent assembly	
Topic	Mapping topic 2: inclusivity (modes of public participation / gender)	

<b>Week 4 Day 8</b>		<b>June 23 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
Topic	International assistance: from constitution-building to constitutional implementation	
Topic	Better design for better implementation	

<b>Week 5 Day 9</b>	<b>Giving effect to a new constitution: national and international perspectives</b>	<b>June 29 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
Topic	Constitutional litigation - to bring a constitution to life	
Topic	From implementation to everyday constitutional compliance	

<b>Week 5 Day 10</b>	<b>The role of international organizations in constitutional consolidation in Africa</b>	<b>June 30 Class time: 14:00 – 16:00 CET</b>
Topic	General framework - political processes (assistance, peer-to-peer monitoring)	
Topic	Human rights litigation in Africa and its impact on constitutional consolidation	