



at the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw

Invites you to take part in:

MINI SUMMER SCHOOL ONLINE:

The legal system and justice system of the U.S.
in a global context

July 1-8, 2021

by Magdalena Tulibacka, PH.D

This summer school will be held via Zoom.

Lectures will be conducted in English and are intended for law students and law graduates. Participation in the Mini Summer School is free of charge. The number of places are limited. Priority is given to those who have already applied to the **Center for American Law Studies at the Faculty of Law and Administration at the University of Warsaw*** for the 2021-2022 academic year.

To sign up for the Mini Summer School, please complete the attached form and send to the following address: cpa@wpia.uw.edu.pl

The lectures will be held from 5:30pm to 8:00pm on:

- July 1, 2021 (Thursday)
- July 6, 2021 (Tuesday)
- July 8, 2021 (Thursday)

In order to obtain a certificate of completion for the course, participants must attend all three lectures included in the Mini Summer School schedule.

**More information about the Center for American Law Studies program in academic year 2021-2022 can be found at: www.cpa.uw.edu.pl*

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Course description

Using comparative law approach this mini-series of lectures explores the place of the U.S. legal system and justice system in the world. The participants will be introduced to the fundamental concepts and principles of U.S. law. This should allow them to appreciate the intricacies of the U.S. legal system on the one hand, and to contrast it with other legal systems, including the Polish system, on the other. The mini-series is a valuable starting point for those wishing to study American law in the Center for American Law Studies.

The classes will involve theoretical analyses as well as more practical, hands-on experience with the U.S. system through exercises and discussions based on case analyses and academic writings.

The mini-series consists of three sessions and covers the following:

1. The U.S. legal system – its history, specific features and place among the legal cultures of the world today. The 'American exceptionalism'. The U.S. Constitution, the role of constitutional amendments, the Bill of Rights, other amendments. The key areas of U.S. substantive law: introduction. A short discussion of two selected areas of law: tort law and product liability law.
2. The American justice system: the judicial infrastructure, the legal profession, civil procedure, litigation funding, ADR. Legal culture and 'adversarial legalism'. Examination of some current developments: the tort reform, changes in the class action system, mandatory ADR.
3. The American justice system in the global context: its place within the global system of justice, its approach to international law and international litigation. Forum shopping and the attractiveness of the U.S. system. Comparing civil justice systems of a selection of states around the world, and the advantages/disadvantages of the U.S. system.