



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW
2025_1 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: PUL801
COURSE TITLE: COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL LAW 1
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

Instruction: ANSWER QUESTION 1 (ONE) AND ANY OTHER 2 QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS (20 MARKS) EXCEPT QUESTION 1 WHICH CARRIES 30 MARKS.

Questions

1. Analyze the principles of constitutionalism. How do these principles promote the rule of law and limit governmental power? Illustrate your answer with examples and decided cases from different jurisdictions. (30 marks)
2. Critically assess how the judiciary upholds the doctrine of constitutional supremacy in Nigeria, using decided cases to support your answer.
3. Evaluate the similarities and differences in how the Indian and Nigerian Constitutions address the principles of federalism, judicial review, and secularism. Provide examples from constitutional provisions and case law.
4. Define the concept of a constitution and discuss its significance in the legal and political framework of a state.
5. Discuss the scope of constitutional law. How does it differ from administrative law and other branches of public law?