

"We have the oldest written constitution still in force in the world, and it starts out with three words: 'We, the people.'"

- Ruth Bader Ginsburg

When was the last time you thought about the documents and leaders who built the policies and practices that differentiate law and life in the United States?

The Constitution of the United States—four pages that created a new government almost 250 years ago—is a covenant that continues to profoundly shape our lives and communities. On Constitution Day, September 17, the United States commemorates the drafting of its Constitution.

On December 8, 2004, President George W. Bush signed a bill (Public Law 108-447) that designates every September 17 as Constitution Day. In accordance with this bill, each educational institution that receives Federal funds for a fiscal year offers education and resources on the Constitution for their students.

This year, Claremont Lincoln University will celebrate Constitution Day, September 17, 2023 resolved to ensure that "We the People" means all the people. Our Claremont Core® values start with self-awareness but move quickly into dialogue and collaboration with others, all others, in pursuit of positive social change that benefits everyone.

We invite all members of the University community to join us in making, or renewing, your acquaintance with this extraordinary document, and reflecting on its historical and contemporary significance and responsiveness to change.

The Constitution of The United States

https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/constitution

The History of Constitution Day

https://www.constitutionfacts.com/us-constitution-day/history-of-constitution-day/

Which Founding Father Are You?

https://www.constitutionfacts.com/?page=foundingFatherShort.cfm

About the Signers

https://www.constitutionfacts.com/us-constitution-amendments/about-the-signers/

The Women Behind the Signers of the Constitution

https://www.constitutionfacts.com/us-constitution-amendments/women-behind-the-signers/

An Example of the Constitution as a Living Document, Embracing DEI

https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/06/25/executive-order-on-diversity-equity-inclusion-and-accessibility-in-the-federal-workforce/