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About

Sophie Boyron is a Senior Lecturer whose interest lies mainly in public law and European law. She adopts a comparative approach to all her work.

Feedback and office hours

My office hours this semester are:

Monday 16-18.00

Qualifications

- Licence (Paris I – Pantheon-Sorbonne)
- Maitrise (Paris I – Pantheon-Sorbonne)
- DEA (Paris I – Pantheon-Sorbonne)

Biography

Sophie Boyron is a graduate of Paris I (France). She teaches and researches in French, European, Public and Comparative Law. She has been a member of the School since 1989. Prior to joining Birmingham Law School, she was a Lavoisier Scholar at *La Maison Française d'Oxford*.

Teaching

- Public Law (LLB)
- Introduction to French Law (LLB)
- French Property Law (LLB)
- Advanced Administrative Law (LLB)
- Comparative Public Law (BCL – Oxford)

Postgraduate supervision

- Constitutional law
- Administrative law
- European law
- Comparative law

Current doctoral supervision

Sophie Boyron is currently supervising three doctoral students undertaking research in the following areas:

- Institutional autonomy and the United Kingdom Supreme Court
- External participation in EU decision-making process through the EU established instruments
- The jurisprudence of mediation

Research

She is co-author of *Principles of French Law* (<http://www.oup.co.uk/isbn/0-19-876395-6>) (OUP, 2nd ed., 2008). Her other research interests include public law, EU law and comparative law. In constitutional law, she has always had an interest in mapping and understanding the dynamics that prompt constitutional change in different types of constitutional orders. More recently, she has researched the attempts to use mediation to resolve disputes in administrative law. At present, she is devising a comparative research project on the framework for control of discretionary powers, an area of administrative law which is particularly topical in the UK and which would benefit from

Other activities

In the School, Sophie is the Director of the [LLB Law with French \(/undergraduate/courses/law/law-french.aspx\)](#).

In addition, she teaches Comparative Public Law on the BCL (University of Oxford).

Publications

Books

- *The Constitution of France: A Contextual Analysis* (Hart publishing, forthcoming)
- ***Principles of French Law*** (<http://www.oup.co.uk/isbn/0-19-876395-6>)(OUP, 2nd ed., 2008)

Articles

- 'The 'new' French constitution and the European union' (2008-9) 11 *Cambridge Yearbook of European Legal Studies* 321-351
- 'Mediation in administrative law: The identification of conflicting paradigms' 2007 13 *European Public Law* 263-288
- 'The rise of mediation in administrative law disputes: experiences from England, France and Germany' [2006] *Public Law* 320-343
- 'Maastricht and the co-decision procedure: a success story' (1996) *International Comparative Law Quarterly* 293
- (with Prof. Neville L. Brown) "L'affaire factotame: Droit communautaire c/ Droit public anglais" *Revue Française de Droit Administratif* 1994 70-79
- 'Proportionality in English administrative law: A faulty translation?' (1992) 12 *Oxford Journal of Legal Studies* 237

Chapters in books

- 'France: A quiet revolution' in *How constitutions change: a comparative study* Ed. by Prof. Carlo Fusaro and Prof. Dawn Oliver, Hart publishing (Forthcoming)
- (with Anne Davies) 'Accountability and public contracts' in *Comparative law on Public Contracts*, ed. by Prof. Rozen Noguellou & Prof. Ulrich Stelkens, Bruylant, 2010, 209-230
- 'La *Summa Divisio* vue d'Outre-Manche' in *De l'intérêt de la summa Divisio droit public-droit privé*, ed. by Prof. Baptiste Bonnet & Prof. Pascale Deumier, collection Thèmes et commentaires, Dalloz, 2010, 121-136
- 'The public-private divide and the law of Government contracts: assessing the limits of a comparative effort' in *The public/private divide : potential for transformation ?*, ed by Prof. Andrew Le Sueur & Prof. Matthias Ruffert, BIICL, 2008 221-244
- 'Regards comparatistes sur la contractualisation de la justice: l'exemple de la médiation en droit public comparé' in *La contractualisation de la production normative*, ed. by Prof David Hiez & Sandrine Chassagnard-Pinet, collection Thèmes et commentaires, Dalloz, 2008 265-279
- 'The independence of the Judiciary: A question of identity!' in *Independence, Accountability and the Judiciary*, ed. by Guy Canivet, Mads Andenas & Duncan Fairgrieve, BIICL, 2006, 77-98
- 'Drafting a Constitution for Europe : A case of too many borders?' in Arnall and Wincott (eds), ***Accountability and Legitimacy in the European Union*** (<http://www.oup.co.uk/isbn/0-19-925560-1>) (OUP, 2002), 183-199.
- "The co-decision procedure: rethinking the constitutional fundamentals" in *Lawmaking in the European Union*, ed. by Paul Craig & Carol Harlow, Kluwer, 1998, 147-168

