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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK**

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RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Restorative justice is a social movement and set of practices that aims to redirect society's retributive response to crime. Crime, in the context of restorative justice, is not considered just an offense against the state but rather is viewed as a wrong against another person and indicative of a broken relationship between the offender, victim, and community. Accordingly, restorative justice seeks to elevate the role of crime victims and community members; hold offenders directly accountable to the people they have violated; and restore, to the extent possible, the emotional and material losses of victims by providing a range of opportunities for dialogue, negotiation, and problem solving.

This course provides an introduction and exposure to the principles of restorative justice and its application to the treatment of human suffering from crime and related social problems. It explores the needs and roles for key stakeholders (victims, offenders, communities, justice systems), examines the values and assumptions of the movement, including its spiritual and religious roots, and introduces students to some of the current programs at community, state and international levels. The framework of the course is, in part, based on social work values and the ethical decision-making process. Besides discussing its policy implications, students will evaluate the potential of restorative justice to address social problems marked by human conflict, oppression, power and harm, e.g. partner abuse, hate crimes. Finally, students will examine the empirical evidence for restorative justice, identify critical issues including gaps in theory or practice, and critique its integrity and overall direction.

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of the semester, students will be able to

1. Demonstrate an understanding of restorative justice concepts, principles and values.
2. Recognize the trauma and emotional impact of crime on victims, communities and offenders, and ways to be responsive to the needs and interest of crime victims.
3. Explain the concept, methods and potential uses of different restorative justice practices.
4. Develop familiarity with humanistic mediation and the skills used to conduct restorative justice mediations, conferences and circles.
5. Identify the personal, interpersonal, and organizational changes necessary for implementation of restorative justice initiatives and the implications for policy and program development including stakeholder and professional roles.
6. Demonstrate familiarity with the research on restorative justice including the criteria used for assessment of restorative justice programs.
7. Critique the promise of restorative justice for producing healing, including its challenges and pitfalls.
8. Demonstrate knowledge of ethical decision-making processes as they relate to restorative justice practice.

III. TEACHING METHODS

This course is multidisciplinary and uses a collaborative teaching model that mirrors restorative justice processes. Students are expected to contribute toward building and maintaining a deeply respectful and highly participatory learning environment. Students can draw on their own life experiences, readings, classroom and field experiences. Material will be presented through a combination of lectures, videos, small group exercises, demonstrations of restorative justice practices, guest lecturers including victim panels, field trips, student presentations, and class discussions.

IV. REQUIRED TEXTS

Zehr, J. & Towews, B. (2004) (Eds.). *Critical issues in restorative justice*. Monsey, NY: Criminal Justice Press 419 pp ISBN 1-881798-51-8. \$30.50.

Godobo-Madikizela (2003). *A human being died that night: A South African story of forgiveness*: Boston: Houghton Mifflin. ISBN: 0618211896; \$24.00

Zehr, H. (2002). *The little book of restorative justice*. Intercourse, PA: Good Books. ISBN: 1561483761. \$4.95.

A Course packet will be available through University Duplicating. It can be picked up at the McCombs School of Business, 21st Street & Speedway. Course packet

materials are also available for check-out from the Learning Resource Center (LRC), SSW. The librarian will need the name of the article or chapter to locate materials

The course will use Blackboard for information. All web-available required materials will be available on Blackboard to read and/or download.

V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

The grade for this course will be based on the student's ability to understand, apply and critique restorative justice as a model for addressing crime. The following course requirements will be completed during the semester, with points given for each course requirement. Grading will be based on total points accrued by the end of the semester. All papers should be typed and double-spaced and follow the APA format.

Formatting: Papers must be printed on white paper in black ink. Papers must be stapled. Each page must be numbered at the bottom. You must use 1.25" margins all around. Papers should be double spaced in Times New Roman or Times 12-point font. Failure to properly format your paper will result in a penalty of up to 10 points off your grade for a paper. Spelling and grammar errors will also result in a reduction of your grade. Do not rely on software to correct all your errors, as it will not catch them all.

1. Interview with a criminal justice official (5 pages)

Conduct an interview with a criminal justice official on restorative justice. Describe restorative justice in your own words and solicit the person's feedback and questions in order to listen to and understand their perspective. Attempt to influence them (gently) in the direction of restorative justice. In a brief paper (5 pages), summarize this experience, how you presented restorative justice, the person's reactions, and what if anything you learned about restorative justice and/or how to present it.

10 points (Due February 13th)

2. Group Project (10 pages)

Select Project Option 1, Option 2 or Option 3. Develop a 45-60 minute classroom presentation. The presentation will consist of doing a 30-45 minute lecture and leading a 15 minute discussion with the class about the problem or case (see Project Option 1, 2 or 3 below). The lecture can employ role play, video or other instructional device to help class members understand the problem or case. Each group will sign up for a classroom presentation to be given during the 3rd, 4th or 5th weekend. Each group will turn in a 10-page paper that summarizes the problem or case. Each group will also turn in a reference list of ALL sources used to develop the presentation. The 10-page paper and reference list are due on the day of the presentation. Group members will assess each other's contribution anonymously using a form developed by the instructor. Peer assessments will be

due the week after the presentation. The final grade will be a composite of the grade assigned by the instructor and the group members' assessments of the work done by each of their peers.

Project Option 1: Select a topic from the list below under #3 (Course Paper). Research the topic through the literature, interviews with stakeholders, and available DVDs and videotapes.

- a) Select a topic.
- b) Describe the area selected including relevant background and the role of restorative justice.
- c) Where is restorative justice relevant?--describe the debate about the use of restorative justice, problems with application, information about effectiveness, future obstacles, ethical concerns etc.
- d) Make suggestions about how to improve any of the issues raised in (c) above.

Project Option 2: Implement a restorative justice project in a specific context. An example would be to design a project for a not for profit, community organization that has received a \$250,000 to develop restorative justice for 12 to 14 year old graffiti violators. Design a restorative process for the selected problem.

- a) Select a problem area, e.g. sexual assault, white collar crime.
- b) Describe the problem including its size, significance, and impact on victims, the community, and offenders, if applicable, e.g. the impact of substance abuse on incarceration.
- c) Describe society's response. Does society ignore the problem, use a retributive model, punish the victim, etc?
- d) Design a restorative response to the problem. Answer the following questions: What defines your problem or community? What community values will be reflected in your restorative justice program? What are the criminal justice and community goals of your program? What is the 'mission statement' for your program? What types of crime will your program address? What agencies or organizations will you accept referrals from? Where will your funding come from? How would you introduce and garner support for legislation? Will your program rely on volunteers or hired practitioners? How will these individuals be trained? What restorative justice tools will you use in your program? How will you measure the success of your program? What obstacles are you likely to face in the administration of your program?

Project Option 3: Find a current or historic case or conflict that has been 'resolved' within the context of the existing justice system. Groups will consider the alternative remedies available through the lens of restorative justice and design a plan for restoration that the entire group agrees upon. The considerations, plans and anticipated outcomes will be presented to the class. .

- a) Select a case, e.g. O.J. Simpson; James Byrd case, Mathew Shephard, etc.

- b) Describe the case fully including the significant players, background on the significant players, events related to the crime, the trial, conviction and sentencing, media response, aftermath, e.g. appeals, execution, victim's response.
- c) Develop a restorative response to the case. Answer the following questions: How would you introduce and garner support for legislation? Will your program rely on volunteers or hired practitioners? How will these individuals be trained? What restorative justice tools will you use in this case? Who would be involved? How would you implement it? What topics might be addressed if a dialogue occurred? What might restitution include? How will you measure the success of the initiative? What obstacles are you likely to face in the administration of the program? Etc.

All options might involve the collection of information through literature review, Internet searches, agency visits, in-person or telephone interviews, etc. where appropriate

30 points

3. Course paper

Each student is to select a topic within the restorative justice field and write a scholarly paper. A typed, well-written paper is to be submitted. If the topic chosen overlaps with a topic in the textbook, the exploration and analysis is expected to go substantially deeper than that covered in the class. The paper should be written in APA format (5th edition) and should not exceed 20 typewritten pages (excluding references, title page, and appendices). The search of the literature should include journal articles as well as pertinent book chapters and monographs. Papers will be graded on both content and writing style: APA format will also be graded. Please select the topic from the list below. If you want to choose a different topic, please discuss your topic with me before proceeding with this option. Papers are due on April 27th.

1. The mediator's role
2. Application of restorative justice to international conflict: Northern Ireland
3. Application of restorative justice to international conflict: Israeli/Palestinian conflict.
4. Application of restorative justice to international conflict: South Africa
5. School mediation
6. Restorative justice and domestic violence
7. Restorative justice and sexual abuse
8. Defense-initiated victim outreach (DIVO)
9. Forgiveness and apology
10. Prison ministries
11. Theological roots of restorative justice
12. Restorative release: Reintegrating prisoners into the community.

13. Reintegrative shaming.
14. Community justice.
15. Bioethics mediation.
16. Restorative justice and violent crimes.
17. Victim offender mediation (VOM).
18. Family Group Conferencing.
19. Family Group Decision Making (Child Welfare system)
20. Circles/circle sentencing & reparative probation boards
21. Restorative justice and hate crimes.
22. Restorative justice and the state: The risk of cooption
23. Restorative justice and drug use.
24. Restorative justice and policy development.
25. Evaluating restorative justice programs.

This paper might involve the collection of information through literature review, Internet searches, agency visits, in-person or telephone interviews, etc. where appropriate. It should include references from scholarly journals, books, and periodicals other than our required course materials. Students who want papers returned should provide the instructor with a self addressed stamped envelope attached to the paper

40 points (Due April 27st)

4. Weekly Exams

There will be four exams on the required readings. Required readings are marked in bold. Exams will be given at the beginning of class on 1/30, 2/6, 2/13 and 2/20. Exams will be based on the required readings for the past week. For example, the exam given on 1/30 will cover the required readings for the weekend of 1/23 and 1/24. The exam will cover one of the required readings.

20 points (5 points for each exam)

5. Extra Assignment

Students who miss one or more class meetings **will be required** to complete an extra assignment. The student must write an additional 15 - 20 page paper on a topic listed in assignment #4 above. The scholarly paper must be APA style, type written, and turned in the last day of class. You should use references from scholarly journals, books, and periodicals other than our required course materials. The instructor must approve your topic in advance.

VI. COURSE GRADING CRITERIA

Interview of Restorative Justice	10 points
Group Presentation	30 points
Course Paper	40 points

Exams

20 points

TOTAL

100 points

GRADING SCALE

A total of 100 points may be earned for the above assignments. Grades will be assigned as follows.

For undergraduate students

100 - 90 = A
89 - 80 = B
79 - 70 = C
69 - 60 = D
59 and below = F (Class failed/no credit)

Graduate students must earn a minimum grade of C in the course for credit; also, graduate students must maintain an overall B average

For graduate students

100 - 94 = A
93 - 90 = A-
89 - 87 = B+
86 - 84 = B
83 - 80 = B-
79 - 77 = C+
76 - 74 = C
73 - 70 = C- (Class failed/no credit: 73 and below)
69 - 67 = D+
66 - 64 = D
63 - 60 = D-
59 and below = F

VII. CLASS POLICIES

- 1. The University of Texas Honor Code:** The core values of The University of Texas at Austin are learning, discovery, freedom, leadership, individual opportunity, and responsibility. Each member of the university is expected to uphold these values through integrity, honesty, trust, fairness, and respect toward peers and community.
- 2. UT Professional Conduct in Class** The professor expects students to act like professionals in class. This means students should arrive on time for class, be prepared to participate in the class discussion, and show respect for one another's opinions. We will not, nor should we, always agree with one another. In this environment we should be exposed to diverse ideas and opinions, and sometime we will not agree with the ideas expressed by others. However, the professor does require that students engage one another with respect and professionalism.

Classroom Policy on Professional Conduct in Class: Students are expected to behave professionally in the classroom and to treat the instructor, their peers, and guests with respect. A student who behaves unprofessionally or disrespectfully will receive, verbally and in writing, a Level 1 review. The instructor will also take whatever action she deems necessary to advance the learning environment of that class period. The continuation of unprofessional or disrespectful behavior may result in permanent suspension from the class and/or a grade of F for the class. Some examples of unprofessional and disrespectful behavior include talking over others, whispering to others when the instructor or other students are speaking, or making derogatory gestures or comments. Some examples of overt acts include sneers, rolling of the eyes, excluding class members from team classroom tasks, etc.

- 2. UT Policy on Scholastic Dishonesty.** Students who violate University rules on scholastic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary penalties, including the possibility of failure in the course and/or dismissal from the University. Since such dishonesty harms the individual, all students, and the integrity of the University, policies on scholastic dishonesty will be strictly enforced. For further information, the student may refer to the Web Site of the Student Judicial Services, Office of the Dean of Students (<http://www.utexas.edu/depts/dos/sjs/>).

Classroom Policy on Scholastic Dishonesty. Social work practitioners assume responsibility for themselves. Therefore, it is expected that the work handed in will be your own. Scholastic dishonesty, including plagiarism and cheating during examinations, violates social work values and will result in recommendation for dismissal from the social work program and a referral to the Dean of Student's Office.

4. Documented Disability Statement

Any student who requires special accommodations must obtain a letter that documents the disability from the Services for Students with Disabilities area of the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement (471-6259 voice or 471-4641 TTY for users who are deaf or hard of hearing). Present the letter to the professor at the beginning of the semester so that needed accommodations can be discussed. The student should remind the professor of any testing accommodations no later than five business days before an

exam. For more information, visit <http://www.utexas.edu/diversity/ddce/ssd/>. Special Accommodations for Students with a Disability.

5. Religious Holidays

By UT Austin policy, students must notify the professor of a pending absence at least fourteen days prior to the date of observance of a religious holy day. If the student must miss a class, an examination, a work assignment, or a project in order to observe a religious holy day, the professor will give the student an opportunity to complete the missed work within a reasonable time after the absence.

6. Use of E-Mail for Official Correspondence to Students. Email is recognized as an official mode of university correspondence; therefore, students are responsible for reading their email for university and course-related information and announcements. Students are responsible to keep the university informed about changes to their e-mail address. Students should check their e-mail regularly and frequently—daily, but at minimum twice a week—to stay current with university-related communications, some of which may be time-sensitive. Students can find UT Austin’s policies and instructions for updating their e-mail address at <http://www.utexas.edu/its/policies/emailnotify.php>.

7. Safety. As part of professional social work education, students may have assignments that involve working in agency settings and/or the community. As such, these assignments may present some risks. Sound choices and caution may lower risks inherent to the profession. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of and adhere to policies and practices related to agency and/or community safety. Students should notify the professor regarding any safety concerns.

8. Behavior Concerns Advice Line (BCAL). If students are worried about someone who is acting differently, they may use the Behavior Concerns Advice Line to discuss by phone their concerns about another individual’s behavior. This service is provided through a partnership among the Office of the Dean of Students, the Counseling and Mental Health Center (CMHC), the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), and The University of Texas Police Department (UTPD). Call 512-232-5050 or visit <http://www.utexas.edu/safety/bcal>.

9. Emergency Evacuation Policy

Occupants of buildings on the UT Austin campus are required to evacuate and assemble outside when a fire alarm is activated or an announcement is made. Please be aware of the following policies regarding evacuation:

- Familiarize yourself with all exit doors of the classroom and the building. Remember that the nearest exit door may not be the one you used when you entered the building.
- If you require assistance to evacuate, inform the professor in writing during the first week of class.
- In the event of an evacuation, follow the professor’s instructions.
- Do not re-enter a building unless you’re given instructions by the Austin Fire Department, the UT Austin Police Department, or the Fire Prevention Services office.

- 10.** As students enter the UT School of Social Work, they are simultaneously entering a profession that has a set of ethical responsibilities and values that all social workers must follow. Students are held to the NASW ethical mandates and UT SSW Standards for Social Work Education as outlined in the Student Handbook.
- 11.** It is important for social work practitioners to be punctual in both attendance and in meeting deadlines. Except in case of extreme emergencies, and then only with the permission of the professor, late assignments will not be accepted without penalty. Students are expected to turn in all required assignments on the agreed upon due date at the beginning of class. Students will lose 3 points for each day that an assignment is late. If the due date is a problem, then the student must contact the professor and negotiate another due date at least 24 hours PRIOR to the regularly scheduled date. Students are responsible for the material in the assigned readings whether or not the material is covered in class.
- 12.** There are no “excused” absences. Students missing more than one (1) class session will receive a 10% reduction in their overall course grade. Students missing two (2) or more class sessions may receive an “F” for the course. The instructor may use her discretion. Students should not register for this class if he/she has a conflict with the schedule, however emergencies are understandable. As soon as you know that you will not be attending class because of an emergency, please let me know by email. Coming to class late or leaving class early counts as an absence. Students missing one or more class sessions will be required to complete an additional assignment. See section on additional assignment for guidelines and see me for approval.
- 13.** Students are expected to complete all assignments and all parts of an assignment regardless of whether or not they earn an assigned grade. Students who do not complete all assignments and all parts of an assignment will receive an incomplete at the end of the semester.
- 14.** Students may not use laptop computers or other electronic equipment, e.g. cell phone, text messaging, in class. ‘Ear buds’ are also not allowed. Communication devices will be turned or placed in ‘silent’ mode while in class.
- 15.** Social work practitioners are assertive and function as team members. Therefore, constructive feedback about the course is welcome and the course will be viewed as a joint effort between students and the instructor. Students are encouraged to provide feedback during office hours and by appointment if they desire. Students are also expected to provide the feedback in time for the instructor to make changes that will benefit them. If students have concerns about the instructor, the course, or the classroom environment, students are expected to communicate their concerns directly and constructively to the instructor first.
- 16.** Confidentiality. Personal disclosure is not an expectation or a requirement of this course. However, it might be appropriate for students to talk about personal information during class as it relates to our learning about a particular topic. Students are expected to adhere to all professional standards of confidentiality during the semester.
- 17.** The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA) is the

style manual to be used for all assignments. Incorrect APA style will result a deduction of points on assignments.

- 18.** At times, the instructor may ask students for a copy of their papers to use as a sample paper for students in future classes. If asked, students have the right to decline without fear of reprisal. They will be asked to sign a form indicating that they have freely given the instructor permission to use their paper as a sample fill in the following information and return it to the instructor.

Course Schedule

Date	Description	Text/Readings
Week 1		
1/23 5:30-8:30	Course review Introduction to Restorative Justice. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The expanding prison. • Retributive theory & the restorative justice paradigm. • Restorative justice & social work. Video	<p>Godobo-Madikizela, P. (2003). <i>A human being died that night: A South African story of forgiveness</i>. Boston: Houghton Mifflin. —READ THIS BOOK BY 2/14/07.</p> <p>Zehr, H. (2002). The little book of restorative justice. Pp. 3-41. Intercourse, PA: Good Books.</p> <p>Geske, J. (2005). Why Do I Teach Restorative Justice to Law Students? Marquette Law Review. http://law.marquette.edu/s3/site/images/restorative/lawreviews/Geske.pdf</p> <p>Cayley, D. (1998). The expanding prison: The crisis in crime and punishment and search for alternative, pp. 15-62; 88-99. Cleveland, OH: Pilgrim Press</p> <p>Travis, J (2005). <i>But they all come back: Facing the challenges of prisoner reentry</i>. Pp. 21-38, Chapt 2. Washington, D.C.: The Urban Institute.</p> <p>Van Wormer, K. (2002). Restorative justice and social work. <i>Social Work Today</i> 2, 1-6. Available at http://www.restorativejustice.org.uk/International_RJ/pdf/RJ&Social_Work.pdf</p> <p>Zehr & Toews. (2004). Principles & concepts. Pp. 1-60.</p>
1/24 a.m. 9:00-12:00	Indigenous and religious roots. Spiritual principles. Prison ministries and the state.	<p>Johnstone, G. (2002). Reviving restorative justice traditions. In G. Johnstone. <i>Restorative justice: Ideas, values debates</i>. Pp. 36-61. Devon, UK: Willan Publishing.</p> <p>Zehr, (1990). Covenant justice: The biblical alternative In H. Zehr, <i>Changing lenses: A new focus for crime and justice</i>. pp 126-157. Scottsdale, PA: Herald Press.</p> <p>Bender, K. & Armour, M. (2007). The Spiritual Components of Restorative Justice. <u>Victim & Offender</u> 2(3), 151-167.</p> <p>National Service Resources: <i>Restorative Justice & the Courts</i>, Available at http://nationalserviceresources.org/filemanager/download/faith_justice/ch1.pdf</p> <p>Centre for Justice & Reconciliation: <i>Faith-based Prison Rehabilitation</i>, Available at http://www.pficjr.org/newsitems/warcryarticle</p>
1/24 p.m. 1:00-5:30	The needs & responsibilities of victims. Victim impact panel.	<p>Cook, B., David, F. & Grant, A. (1999). The impact of crime on victims In B. Cook, F. David & A. Grant, <i>Victims' needs, victims' rights: Policies and programs for victims of crime</i> (pp. 14-39). <i>Australia Research and Public Policy Series, no. 19</i>. Canberra: Australian Institute of Criminology. Available at http://www.aic.gov.au/publications/rpp/19/ch2.pdf</p> <p>Armour, M.P. (2002). The Journey of Homicide Families: A Qualitative Study of Their Post Homicide Experience. <i>American Journal of Orthopsychiatry</i> 72(3): 372-383.</p> <p>Neiderbach, S. (1986). Rita. In S. Neiderbach. <i>Invisible wounds: Crime victims speak</i>. Pp. 178-223. New York, NY: Harrington Park Press.</p> <p>Zehr, (2001). <i>Transcending: Reflections of crime victims</i>. Intercourse, PA: Good Books</p> <p>Zehr & Toews. (2004). Victims, pp. 65-73; 96-105.</p>

Week 2		
1/30 5:30- 8:30	Exam 1 The needs & responsibilities of offenders. The needs & responsibilities of the community. Implications for policy & program development. Speaker: Dr. Michael Gilbert, UTSA	Rowley, T. (2003). Hair chronicles. In W. Lamb <i>Couldn't keep it to myself; Wally Lamb and the women of York Correctional Institution</i> (pp. 95-111). New York, NY: Regan Books. Whiteley, N. (2003). Orbiting Izzy. In W. Lamb <i>Couldn't keep it to myself; Wally Lamb and the women of York Correctional Institution</i> (pp. 53-63). New York, NY: Regan Books. Alder, C. (2000). <i>Young women offenders and the challenge for restorative justice</i>. In H. Strang & J. Braithwaite (Eds.). <i>Restorative Justice: Philosophy to Practice</i>, pp. 105-119. Burlington, Vermont: Ashgate Publishing Company Zehr and Toews (2004). <i>Offenders</i>. Pp. 107-118, 133-142 Zehr and Toews (2004). <i>Community</i>. Pp 143-154, 155-172 Zehr and Toews (2004). State. Pp.173-187, 215-226, 227-238 Levin, M. (2005). Restorative justice in Texas: Past, present & future. Austin, TX: Center for Effective Justice, Texas Public Policy Foundation. Available at http://www.texaspolicy.com/pdf/2005-09-restorativejustice.pdf . Gilbert, M.J. & Settles, T.L. (2007). The next step: Indigenous development of neighborhood-restorative community justice. <i>Criminal Justice Review</i> 32 (1), 5-25. Welsh, B.C. & Farrington, D. P. (2005). Evidence-based crime prevention: Conclusions and directions for a safer society. <i>Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice</i> 47 (2), 337-354. Criminal Justice Periodicals pg. 337-354.
1/31 a.m 7:30- 1:30	Offender panel and Giddings tour	
1/31 p.m. 2:30- 5:30	Programs 1: Victim Offender Mediation (VOM)	Bazemore, G.& Umbreit, M. (1999). <i>Conferences, Circles, Boards and Mediations: Restorative Justice and Citizen Involvement in the Response to Youth Crime</i> . (pp.1-41). Balanced and Restorative Justice Project: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Available at http://www.rjp.umn.edu/img/assets/18492/Conferences_Circles_Boards_Mediations.PDF Armour, M.P. & Umbreit, M.S. (2007). <i>Victim-Offender Mediation and Forensic Social Work</i>. In A.R. Roberts & D. Springer (Eds.). <i>Forensic Social Work in Juvenile and Criminal Justice Settings: An Evidence-Based Handbook</i>, pp.519-539. Springfield, ILL: Charles C. Thomas. Zehr and Toews (2004). Pp 241-252.
Week 3		
2/6 5:30- 8:30	Exam 2 Student	Williams, S. & Williams, S. (1994). <i>Being in the middle by being at the edge: Quaker experience of non-official political mediation</i>. Pp. 14-41; 54-63. London: Quaker Peace & Service. Umbreit. (1997). <i>Humanistic mediation: A transformative journey of peacemaking</i>. <i>Mediation</i>

	presentations. Humanistic mediation: The role of the mediator.	<i>Quarterly, 14, 201-213.</i> Gold, L. (1995). Appendix 3: Influencing unconscious influences: The Healing dimension of mediation. In M.S. Umbreit, M. S. <i>Mediating interpersonal conflicts: A pathway to peace</i> . Pp. 251-262. West Concord, MN: CPI Publishing. Umbreit, M. (2001). Appendix D: Promising practices and innovations. In M.S. Umbreit, M.S. <i>The handbook of victim offender mediation: An essential guide to practice and research</i> . Pp. 365-374. San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass .
2/7 a.m. 9:00- 12:30	Programs 2: Victim Offender Mediated Dialogue Speaker: Mark Odem Video: <i>Meeting with a Killer</i> Speakers: Linda White Ellen Halbert	Umbreit, M.S. Vos, B., Coates, R. B., & Brown, K. (2003). <i>Facing violence: The path of restorative justice & dialogue</i> . Pp. 91-178; 301-346. Monsey, NY: Criminal Justice Press. Cayley (1998). From guilt to obligation: Victim offender mediation. In D. Cayley. <i>The expanding prison: The crisis in crime and punishment and search for alternative</i> , pp. 215-237. Cleveland, OH: Pilgrim Press Umbreit, M. S., Coates, R., Vos, B. & Armour, M.P. (2006). Victims of Severe Violence in Mediated Dialogue With Offender: The Impact of the First Multi-Site Study in the U.S. <u>International Review of Victimology 13(1), 27-48</u>
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Week 4		
2/13 5:30- 8:30	Exam 3 Student presentations.	

2/14 a.m. 9:00- 12:00	Application of Restorative Justice internationally Restorative Justice & Domestic violence Speakers: Gail Rice Tony Switzer	Kirkwood, H.J. (2007). A Cultural Critique of the Globalization of Restorative Justice. Chapters Master's Thesis. University of Texas at Austin. Frederickson, E.A. (2005). Restorative justice: Rethinking justice in a postcolonial world. Paper presented at the Canadian Political Association, London, Ontario. Pp. 11-17; 26-29. Available at http://www.cpsa-acsp.ca/papers-2005/Frederiksen.pdf Borer, T.A. (2004). Reconciling South Africa or South Africans: Cautionary notes from the TRC. African Studies Quarterly 8, 19-38. Daly, K. & Stubbs, J. (2007). Feminist Theory, Feminist and Anti-Racist Politics, and Restorative Practice. In G. Johnstone & D.W. Van Ness (eds.) Handbook of Restorative Justice, pp. 149-170. Portland, Oregon: Willan Publishing.
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Week 5		
2/20 p.m. 5:30- 9:00	Exam 4 Student presentations. Wrap up of course.	

Small Group Evaluation Form

Name: _____

Directions: Write the names of each group/team member on the line below each question. Do not include yourself on A through E. Do include yourself on F & G. On a scale of 1-5 please rate the participation and contributions of the members of your group to the group activities in which you have been involved. Your candid and truthful evaluations are requested. Your evaluations, along with those of the other members of your group will be taken into account in determining your grade.

	Poor		Average		Outstanding
A. The level of participation of each group member was:					
a. _____	1	2	3	4	5
b. _____	1	2	3	4	5
c. _____	1	2	3	4	5
d. _____	1	2	3	4	5
B. The level of work contributed by each group member toward completion of the final project was:					
a. _____	1	2	3	4	5
b. _____	1	2	3	4	5
c. _____	1	2	3	4	5
d. _____	1	2	3	4	5
C. The cooperation shown by each group member for a smooth working group was:					
a. _____	1	2	3	4	5
b. _____	1	2	3	4	5
c. _____	1	2	3	4	5
d. _____	1	2	3	4	5
D. Leadership and initiative taken on by group members in order to achieve the assignment objectives was:					
a. _____	1	2	3	4	5
b. _____	1	2	3	4	5
c. _____	1	2	3	4	5
d. _____	1	2	3	4	5
E. Given the skills, experience, and interest, I learned from my other group members					
a. _____	1	2	3	4	5
b. _____	1	2	3	4	5
c. _____	1	2	3	4	5
d. _____	1	2	3	4	5
F. Given MY skills, experiences, and interest, I help facilitate the learning of my other group members					
a. _____	1	2	3	4	5

G. If I were grading each member of my group (and myself) for his/her contributions and work in this activity I would give the following grades:

a. _____ **F D- D D+ C- C C+ B- B B+ A- A**

Rationale for Grade:

1.

2.

3.

_____ of 5 possible points

b. _____ **F D- D D+ C- C C+ B- B B+ A- A**

Rationale for Grade:

1.

2.

3.

_____ of 5 possible points

c. _____ **F D- D D+ C- C C+ B- B B+ A- A**

Rationale for Grade:

1.

2.

3.

_____ of 5 possible points

d. _____ **F D- D D+ C- C C+ B- B B+ A- A**

Rationale for Grade:

1.

2.

3.

_____ of 5 possible points

E. Please write any additional comments you may have concerning the group activity you have just experienced. (What did you like and what you would have done differently if you had been the instructor?)

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