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### **EDUCATION**

- 2014 Ph.D., Social Work and Social Research  
Bryn Mawr College
- 2000 M.A. in Conflict Transformation  
Eastern Mennonite University
- 1992 B.A. in Sociology with an option in Peace and Conflict Studies  
University of Waterloo

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

- 2014-present Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice  
Social Work Program, University of Washington Tacoma
- 2007-2014 Adjunct Professor  
Summer Peacebuilding Institute, Eastern Mennonite University
- 2008-2014 Visiting Instructor  
Haverford College
- 2009-2013 Interim/Adjunct Professor  
Bryn Mawr College
- 2013 Adjunct Professor  
Widener University

### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Restorative justice theory and practice
- Architecture and environmental design
- Corrections and incarceration
- Criminal and restorative justice professional practice
- Qualitative research methods, including art/design-based methods
- Research ethics, especially as it pertains to justice-involved individuals

## SCHOLARSHIP

### Peer-reviewed journal articles

Toews, B. (2013). Toward a restorative justice pedagogy: Reflections on teaching restorative justice in correctional facilities. *Contemporary Justice Review*, 16(1), 1-22.

Toews, B. and Zehr, H. (2001). Restorative justice and adolescent substance abuse: The path ahead. *Youth and Society*, 33(2), 314-328.

### Peer-reviewed book chapters

Toews, B. (2013). Justice and peace in restorative justice: A path to interdependence. In Mosher, A. and Enns, F. (Eds.), *Just Peace: Ecumenical, intercultural, and interdisciplinary perspectives*. Eugene, Oregon: Wipf and Stock.

Toews, B. and Harris, K. (2010). Restorative justice in prisons. In E. Beck, N. Kropf and P.M. Leonard (Eds.), *Social work and restorative justice: Skills for dialogue, peacemaking, and reconciliation* (pp. 118-148). Oxford: Oxford University Press.

### Books

Toews, B. (2006). *Little book of restorative justice for people in prison*. Intercourse, PA: Good Books, Inc.

Zehr, H. and Toews, B. (Eds.). (2004). *Critical issues in restorative justice*. Monsey, NY: Criminal Justice Press.

### Book chapters

Toews, B. (2015). Activities entitled Restorative justice: Rebuilding the web of relationships; Drawing/diagramming RJ values; Circles in response to drug offenses: Race, economics and social injustice; Facing victims (and/or offenders); and Designing restorative justice space. In H. Zehr, *Changing Lenses: Anniversary Edition*. Harrisonburg, VA: Herald Press.

Toews, B. (2008). Restorative justice and prison reform. In J. de Rivera (Ed.), *Handbook on building cultures of peace* (pp. 273-286). New York: Springer.

Toews, B. and Katounas, J. (2004). Have offender needs and perspectives been adequately incorporated into restorative justice? In H. Zehr and B. Toews (Eds.), *Critical issues in restorative justice* (pp. 109-118). Monsey, NY: Criminal Justice Press.

Toews, B. and Zehr H. (2003). Ways of knowing for a restorative worldview. In E. Weitekamp and H. J. Kerner (Eds.), *Restorative justice in context: International practice and directions* (pp. 257-271). Devon, UK: Willan Publishing.

### In process

Toews, B. (in press). Restorative justice worker. In A. Ackerman and M. Sacks (Eds.), *Introduction to Criminal Justice: A Personal Narrative Perspective*. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press.

Toews, B. (manuscript in preparation). Privacy while incarcerated: Beyond the question of achievement to understanding its purpose.

Toews, B. (manuscript in preparation). Restorative space: Lessons on how to design justice spaces informed by restorative justice.

### **Technical manuals and project reports**

Toews, B. (2003/2013). *Dialogue Program for Victims of Violent Crime facilitator manual*. Harrisburg, PA: Office of the Victim Advocate.

Toews, B., Harris, K., Silva, M., and Zill, K. (2012). *Study guide: Concrete, Steel, and Paint, a film about crime, restoration, and healing*. Philadelphia: Concrete Films, Cindy Burstein and Tony Heriza (producers and directors).

Toews, B. (2008). Spatial principles for restorative justice-influenced prison architecture. *SocioDesign Foundation*, 2008 International Student Design Competition, [www.sociodesign.org](http://www.sociodesign.org).

Toews, B. (2006). *Restorative justice: Rebuilding your web of relationships. A collection of reflections for people in prison*. Philadelphia: Pennsylvania Prison Society.

Toews, B. (2006). *Creating prison-based restorative justice projects: A prisoners' guide for getting started*. Philadelphia: Pennsylvania Prison Society.

Toews, B. (2006). *Restorative justice: Rebuilding your web of relationships. Resources for restorative justice education in prison*. Philadelphia: Pennsylvania Prison Society.

### **GRANT FUNDED ACTIVITY**

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| 2015      | UW Tacoma Social Work Summer School Revenue Funds (\$4,921)<br><i>Designing Refuge: Involving Survivors in the Design of Candace House</i>                          |
| 2015      | UW Tacoma Social Work Summer School Revenue Funds (\$7,412)<br><i>Restorative School Discipline: Pilot Program and Study</i> , with Drs. Jeff Cohen and Eric Madfis |
| 2014-2015 | Fetzer Institute (\$100,000)<br><i>Designing Justice+Designing Spaces</i> initiative development and toolkit design, with Deanna Van Buren/FOURM Design Studio      |

### **OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITY**

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| 2015 | <i>Employing Design and Implementation of a Native Prairie Garden to Enhance Well Being for Incarcerated Women</i> with Julie Stevens (Department of Landscape Architecture, Iowa State University) |
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### **SERVICE**

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| 2015 | Northwest Justice Forum Steering Committee |
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2014-present Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program National Steering Committee

## COMMUNITY PRACTICE AND CONSULTING

1995-present Restorative justice independent consultant

2013-present Co-founder/director, *Designing Justice+Designing Spaces*  
www.designingjustice.com

2010-2014 External Coordinator, Restorative Justice Project (service)  
State Correctional Institution-Graterford/Haverford College

2004-2014 Dialogue Facilitator (service)  
Office of the Victim Advocate Dialogue Program for Victims of Violent Crime  
Harrisburg, PA

2000-2007 Program Manager  
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Philadelphia, PA

## COURSES TAUGHT AND/OR DEVELOPED

### University of Washington Tacoma

- Helping Skills in the Criminal Justice System
- Restorative Justice
- Introduction to Criminal Justice Research
- Women and the Criminal Justice System
- Facing Harm: Victim Offender Dialogue in Practice

### Other academic positions

- Restorative Justice
- Restorative Justice: Designing Justice, Designing Spaces
- Peace by Design: Architecture and Design as a Peacebuilding Practice
- Dialogue Facilitator Training: Crimes of Severe Violence
- Looking Through Both Lenses: Restorative Justice Through the Eyes of Victims and Offenders
- Acting in Prison: Vision as a Resource for Change
- Research Informed Practice I and II
- Organization and Program Development

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of Community and Restorative Justice
- Environmental Design Research Association
- American Society of Criminology
- Justice Studies Association
- Peace and Justice Studies Association

## SELECT TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2015 Toews, B. *Restorative justice: Research and the potential for cultural change*. Oregon Department of Corrections, Policy Board Meeting.
- 2014 Toews, B. and Van Buren, D. *Restorative justice by design: Using restorative justice values to design transformative spaces*. Webinar, Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice, Eastern Mennonite University. <http://www.emu.edu/cjp/restorative-justice/webinars/design>
- Toews, B. *Prison design and psycho-social-behavioral outcomes*. American Society of Criminology.
- Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** *Stakeholder engagement in the creation of humane and restorative correctional space*. Academy of Architecture for Justice.
- Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** *Designing from the inside out*. National Association of Minority Architects.
- 2013 Toews, B. and Van Buren, D. *Peace Building: Architecture and Design as a Restorative Practice*. International Institute of Restorative Practices World Conference.
- Toews, B. *Garden of Self-Forgiveness: Incarcerated Women Design Restorative Space*. Peace and Justice Studies Association Annual Conference.
- Toews, B. and Van Buren, D. *Peace Building: Architecture and Design as a Practice of Restorative Justice*. Peace and Justice Studies Association Annual Conference.
- Toews, B. *The Gardener of Self-Forgiveness: Incarcerated Women Design Restorative Spaces*. The National Conference on Restorative Justice
- Toews, B. *Designing for Justice in the Aftermath of Violence*. The National Conference on Restorative Justice.
- Toews, B. and Werts, T. *When Restorative Justice Goes to Prison*. Webinar, Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice, Eastern Mennonite University. <http://www.emu.edu/cjp/restorative-justice/webinars/rj-in-prisons/>
- Pre-2013 Toews, B. *The "Jazz" of Peace, Justice and Reconciliation* (2011). Keynote Panelist. Towards an Ecumenical Theology of Just Peace, University of Amsterdam.
- Toews, B. *Restorative Justice: Treating People Right in a Complicated World* (2009) Keynote. Alternatives to Violence Project USA, Annual Conference