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Education

Marquette University Law School
Juris Doctor, 2008

Marquette University Graduate School
Graduate Certificate – Dispute Resolution, 2008

University of Wisconsin – Madison
Bachelor of Science, 2005
Certificates – Integrated Liberal Studies & Criminal Justice

Academic Employment

University of Wisconsin Law School
Clinical Associate Professor, Director – Restorative Justice Project 2021 – Present
Clinical Assistant Professor, Director – Restorative Justice Project 2018 – 2021
Clinical Instructor, Director – Restorative Justice Project 2013 – 2018

Concordia University
Adjunct Faculty – Procedural Criminal Law, Juvenile Justice 2011 – 2013

Legal Experience

Jonathan Scharrer, Attorney at Law 2008 – 2013

Marquette University Law School Mediation Clinic
Volunteer Mediation Supervisor 2010 – 2011

Wisconsin State Public Defender’s Office
Legal Intern 2007 – 2008

Milwaukee County Circuit Court
Judicial Intern Jan. 2007 – May 2007

Other Experience

Marquette University Law School
Graduate Research Assistant – Professor Andrea K. Schneider 2007 – 2008

Restorative Justice Initiative – Marquette University Law School
Graduate Research Assistant/Supervised Fieldwork/Volunteer 2006 – 2008

Activities & Service

Center for Children's Law and Policy - Madison Police Department: Juvenile Standard Operating Procedures Review & Development Work Group Apr. 2019 – Dec. 2019
Wisconsin Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform Policy Advisory Council Dec. 2018

Restorative Justice Practitioner

National Assoc. of Community and Restorative Justice Advisory Council 2017 – Present
Higher Education Subcommittee – RJ Policy Statement / Implementation Guide (2019-22)
Law & Policy Subcommittee – RJ Policy Statement on Criminal Legal Systems (2021-22)
NACRJ Conference Planning Committee Member (2019 & 2022)

Madison Police Department Restorative Justice Subcommittee 2016 – 2018

Dane County Community Restorative Court Advisory Board	2015 – Present
Dane Restorative Justice Coalition	2015 – 2021
Challenges & Possibilities (GBCI: Restorative Justice Program)	2013 – 2016
Youth Social Justice Forum – Restorative Circles on Race and Racism	Nov. 2011
Restoring Communities – Metcalfe Park Neighborhood	Aug. 2011
Milwaukee County First Time Juvenile Burglary Offender Restorative Justice Project (Circles of Accountability) – Planning Committee Member	2010 – 2011
Milwaukee Co. DA’s Office Community Conferencing Program – Facilitator	2007 – 2013

Fellowships

2014-2015 Blended Learning Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Publications

“Reimagining and Restoring Justice: Toward a Truth and Reconciliation Process to Transform Violence Against African-Americans in the United States,” in *Transforming Justice, Lawyers and the Practice of Law* (Fania Davis & Jonathan Scharrer), Marjorie A. Silver, ed., (2017) Carolina Academic Press

Selected Presentations, Conferences, & Workshops

“Restorative Justice in Action,” *Panelist*, National Benevolent Association Webinar (via Zoom), November 15, 2022.

“Restorative Justice in Corrections,” *Presenter*, 2022 WCA Annual Conference, Wisconsin County Association; Wisconsin Dells, WI, September 19, 2022.

“Encountering the “No”: Finding Our Way Back and Fighting “No-mentum”,” *Presenter*, National Association for Community and Restorative Justice 2022 National Conference – The Gathering: Real Transformation. The Time is NOW. How do we get there Together?; Chicago, IL, July 7, 2022.

“Bias and Discretionary Decision-Making in RJ Diversion,” *Presenter*, European Forum for Restorative Justice 11th International Conference, Justice Beyond Borders: Restorative Connections Through Space and Language; Sassari, Italy, June 24, 2022.

“Restorative Justice and the Justice System: Fairness, Accountability and the Administration of Justice,” *Panelist*, Juvenile Justice Webinar Series (via WebEx), Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, Washington D.C., December 7, 2021.

“Restorative Justice and the Legal Academy,” *Panelist*, Restorative Justice Origins, Applications, & Futures Symposium Series (via Zoom), UCLA School of Law’s Criminal Justice Law Review and Criminal Justice Program, November 10, 2021.

“Restorative Justice in the Criminal Justice System,” *Presenter*, 2021 WCA Annual Conference, Wisconsin County Association; La Crosse, WI, September 27, 2021.

“Victim-Offender Dialogue & Restorative Justice,” *Presenter*, Victims of Crime Conference: Wisconsin 2021; (via Zoom), August 25, 2021.

“Understanding Post-Sentencing Restorative Justice,” *Panelist*, Reentry Lunch & Learn Program (via Zoom), Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership and Development, August 19, 2021.

“Restorative Justice and Criminal Law,” *Presenter*, Lunch & Learn Program (via Zoom), University of Denver College of Law, April 22, 2021.

“Restorative Justice Applications to the Criminal Justice System,” *Presenter*, CLE Zoom Webinar, La Crosse County Bar Association; La Crosse, WI, April 19, 2021.

“Beyond Burnout: Resiliency, Self-Care, Moral Injury & Vicarious Trauma,” *Presenter*, (via Zoom), University of Denver College of Law, March 23, 2021.

“Making Youth Courts More Restorative,” *Keynote Speaker*, 2020 Restorative Justice Summit: Justice for All, Wisconsin Teen Court Association (via Zoom), November 13, 2020.

“Overcoming Obstacles to Effective Implementation,” *Presenter*, 2020 Restorative Justice Summit: Justice for All, Wisconsin Teen Court Association (via Zoom), November 13, 2020.

“Restorative Justice and the High Holidays,” *Presenter*, CLE Zoom Webinar, The Institute for Jewish Ethics (via Zoom), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 23, 2020.

“CRC Repair Harm, Rebuild Community,” *Presenter*, Social Workers Confronting Racial Injustice Conference; University of Wisconsin—Madison School of Social Work, Madison, WI, January 24, 2020.

“Restorative Justice: Reducing Recidivism & Transforming Lives,” *Keynote Speaker*, Criminal Justice and Rehabilitation Conference: Reducing Recidivism: Evidence Based Practices and Interventions; University of Wisconsin—Stout, Menomonie, WI, October 29, 2019.

“Restorative Justice in Serious Crimes,” *Presenter*, WI Serving Victims of Crime Conference; WI Dells, WI, August 21, 2019.

“From Campus to Community: Restorative Responses to Sexual Harm and Factors that Impact Participation,” *Panelist*, National Association for Community and Restorative Justice 2019 National Conference – Elevating Justice: Widening the Circle; Denver, CO, June 15, 2019.

“Restorative Justice, Racial Harm, and Healing,” *Plenary Speaker*, Project for Integrating Spirituality, Law and Politics 2018 National Conference; American University Washington College of Law, Washington DC, October 13, 2018.

“Restorative, Transformative, and Community Accountability Responses to Sexual Harm,” *Panelist*, Project for Integrating Spirituality, Law and Politics 2018 National Conference – Fostering Human Connection in An Era of Alienation; American University Washington College of Law, Washington DC, October 12, 2018.

“Restorative Justice Applications in the Criminal Justice System,” *Presenter*, La Crosse County Bar Association; La Crosse, WI, October 1, 2018.

“Advancing Social Justice Through ADR,” *Presenter*, ABA Section on Dispute Resolution Annual Spring Conference; Washington DC, April 7, 2018.

“Restorative Resolution Pathway for Non-Academic Misconduct,” *Trainer*, Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison WI, January 17 & 19, 2018.

“Peacemaker Training – 2018 Restorative Justice Workshop Series,” *Trainer*, Dane County Community Restorative Court; DCHS, Multiple Locations & Multiple Dates.

“Where Do We Go From Here? Restorative Justice and Healing in the Aftermath of Crime,” *Presenter*, Wisconsin Alumni Association; University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI, October 30, 2017.

“Restorative Justice and the Law,” *Presenter*, Restorative Justice Program – New Lisbon Correctional Institution; The Prison Ministry Project – First Congregational UCC, New Lisbon, WI, October 11, 2017.

“Peacemaker Training – Restorative Justice Workshop,” *Trainer*, Dane County Community Restorative Court; DCHS, Madison, WI, Multiple Dates.

"All Roads Lead to Rome: Paths to Advancing and Teaching Social Justice," *Presenter*, 40th AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education – Serving the Client in Tumultuous Times: Fostering Responsibility to Individuals, Communities, and Society in Clinical Legal Education; AALS, Denver, CO, May 7, 2017.

"What the World Needs Now: Restorative Practices," *Panelist*, ABA Section on Dispute Resolution Annual Spring Conference; San Francisco, April 22, 2017.

"Peacemaker & Facilitator Restorative Justice Workshop," *Trainer*, Dane County Community Restorative Court; DCHS, Madison, WI, October–November 2016.

"Restorative Justice Applications in the Criminal Justice System," *Presenter*, Dane County District Attorney's Office; Madison, WI, September 19, 2016.

"Hate Crimes and Restorative Justice," *Panelist*, Wisconsin Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights: Civil Rights and Hate Crime in Wisconsin; West Allis, WI, August 29, 2016.

"Restorative Justice Workshop," *Presenter*, Young African Leaders Initiative – Mandela Washington Fellowship Academic and Leadership Institute; University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, WI, July 18, 2016 & July 17, 2017.

"A Humanistic Dialogue Approach to Interviewing: Developing Narrative and Shared Understanding," *Presenter*, 2016 PISLAP Conference – Beloved Community: Law and Social Activism to Realize MLK's Enduring Vision; Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Philadelphia, PA, June 4, 2016.

"Restorative Justice Workshop," *Presenter*, 2016 PISLAP Conference – Beloved Community: Law and Social Activism to Realize MLK's Enduring Vision; Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Philadelphia, PA, June 4, 2016.

"Restorative Justice: Accountability and Community," *Panelist*, Caucus of Religious Leaders, MOSES; Madison, WI, May 17, 2016.

"Restorative Approaches in Clinics and Communities," *Presenter*, 39th AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education – Clinics and Communities: Exploring Community Engagement Through Clinical Education; AALS, Baltimore, MD, May 2, 2016.

"STREETS Restorative Justice Survivor Panel," *Facilitator*, Wellbeing and Empowerment: Wisconsin and the World, 2016 4W Summit on Women, Gender, and Wellbeing, UW-Madison; Madison, WI, April 16, 2016.

"Working with Victims and Offenders: Panel of Experts," *Panelist*, 3rd Annual Restorative Justice Conference, UW-Platteville; Platteville, WI, March 7, 2016.

"2-Day Restorative Justice Workshop," *Trainer*, Dane County Human Services; Madison, WI, December 8-9, 2015 & March 17-18, 2016.

"Restorative Justice and the Criminal Justice System," *Presenter*, Dismas Ministry – Correctional Ministry Regional Gathering; Milwaukee, WI, October 16, 2015.

"Restorative Justice and ADR after Law School," *Panelist*, Speakers from Practice Event, Marquette University Law School; Milwaukee, WI, September 29, 2015.

"The Role of the Victim in the Criminal Justice System," *Panelist*, Public Interest Law Foundation; University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, WI, February 18, 2015.

“Facilitating Community Conferences & Restorative Justice Circles,” *Trainer*, Dane County Community Restorative Court; DCHS, Madison, WI, November – December 2014 & July 2015.

“Restorative Justice as a Vehicle for Social Transformation,” *Panelist*, 2014 PISLAP Conference – Law in the 21st Century: Creating a Legal System that Fosters Empathy Compassion, & Mutual Understanding Conference; CUNY Law School, New York, NY, September 13, 2014.

“Service Learning and Community-Based Research,” *Panelist*, UW Teaching Academy Summer Institute 2014: The Four I’s of Teaching: Intend-Inspire-Innovate-Invest; University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, June 3, 2014.

“Picking Cotton: “A Victim’s Perspective on Wrongful Convictions,” *Panelist*, Wisconsin Innocence Project and Institute for Legal Studies; University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, WI, April 1, 2014.

“Restorative Justice in Wisconsin: Applying the Lessons Learned to Illinois,” *Presenter*, Lunch & Learn Series; Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL, February 22, 2014.

“Restorative Justice: Healing Victims, Communities, and Offenders,” *Presenter*, Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership and Development: Center for Justice and Reconciliation, Madison, WI, February 11, 2014.

“Restorative Justice Program,” *Presenter/Facilitator*, Challenges & Possibilities Program – Green Bay Correctional Institution, Green Bay, WI, Multiple Dates.

Guest Lectures

“Restorative Justice and the Criminal Justice System,” *Guest Lecturer*, Protests, Policing, and Social Justice Movements, Legal Studies 400/HDFS 501; University of Wisconsin–Madison (via Zoom), Madison, WI, March 16, 2021.

“Restorative Justice & Victim-Offender Dialogue,” *Guest Lecturer*, Restorative Justice: Law and Policy Intersections, Georgetown University Law Center (via Zoom), Washington, D.C., January 12, 2021.

“Restorative Justice in the Criminal Justice System,” *Presenter*, Occidental College Pre-Law Speaker Series (via Zoom), Las Angeles, CA, August 17, 2020.

“Restorative Justice Applications and Victim-Offender Dialogue in Serious Crime,” *Guest Lecturer*, Restorative Justice, POLS 243, Occidental College (via BlueJeans), Las Angeles, CA, September 19, 2019.

“Restorative Justice in Action,” *Guest Lecturer*, Cooperative Lawyering and Problem-Solving Courts: Lawyers as Peacemakers, Law 6928; University of Minnesota Law School (via Skype), Minneapolis, MN, March 26, 2019.

“Restorative Justice as a Conflict Resolution and Community Building Tool,” *Guest Lecturer*, Preparing for Sustainable Peacebuilding and Social Change, MSP 770; University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, December 4, 2018.

“Circles as a Facilitative Method of Communication in Restorative Practices,” *Guest Lecturer*, Applied Peacebuilding Practices, MSP 771; University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, April 17, 2018.

“Restorative Applications in a Clinical Legal Setting,” *Guest Lecturer*, Cooperative Lawyering and Problem-Solving Courts: Lawyers as Peacemakers, Law 6928; University of Minnesota Law School (via Skype), Minneapolis, MN, April 3, 2018.

“Group Relations and Reconciliation: Conflict Resolution and Community Healing Through

Restorative Practices,” *Guest Lecturer*, Foundations of Conflict and Conflict Resolution Processes, MSP 770; University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, December 5, 2017.

“Restorative Justice 101,” *Guest Lecturer*, Criminal Justice in America, Legal Studies 131; University of Wisconsin–Madison, Madison, WI, December 7, 2016.

“Introduction to Restorative Justice,” *Guest Lecturer*, Therapeutic Jurisprudence; Simpson College (via Skype), Indianola, IA, May 11, 2016.

“Restorative Justice,” *Guest Lecturer*, Youth, Education, & Society; University of Wisconsin–Madison School of Education, Madison, WI, March 10, 2016.

“Restorative Justice & the Law,” *Guest Lecturer*, Mediation Clinic; Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL, February 12, 2015.

“Restorative Justice Applications in the Criminal Justice System,” *Guest Lecturer*, Restorative Justice Seminar; Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL, February 12, 2015.

“The Intersection of Litigating Innocence Claims and Working with Victims,” *Guest Lecturer*, Wisconsin Innocence Project, University of Wisconsin Law School; Madison, WI, April 2, 2014.

“Restorative Mediation,” *Guest Lecturer*, Mediation Clinic, University of Wisconsin Law School; Madison, WI, February 7, 2014.

“The Future of Restorative Justice,” *Guest Lecturer*, Restorative Justice Seminar, Marquette University Law School; Milwaukee, WI, October 30, 2013.

Academic Service

UW-Madison Speakers Bureau, Speaker (Jan. 2018 – Present)

Guest speaker in subject matter expertise as part of an initiative to build connections between the people of Wisconsin and their flagship state university.

Campus Connect, Policy Fellow (Mar. 2017 – Present)

Initiative of the Wisconsin Family Impact Seminars in partnership with the UW-Madison Chancellor's Office and La Follette School of Public Affairs to connect legislators and researchers to build better public policy in Wisconsin.

Our Wisconsin, Facilitator (2016-17)

Facilitate sessions on diversity and inclusion on the UW-Madison campus.

Dissertation Proposal Committee/Advising

Lifan Yu, “Proposing Forgiveness Therapy for Those in Prison: An Intervention for Reducing Anger and Promoting Psychological Health,” PhD diss., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2019-2020

Linda Nickens, “Attitudes Toward the Use of Restorative Practices in Educational Settings,” PhD diss., University of Wisconsin-Madison, Spring 2017

Other

Evan A. Evans Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition – *Judge*, University of Wisconsin Law School Moot Court Board; Madison, WI, March 2015

Diversity Dialogue: Examining Our Multicultural Identity – *Advisor, Trainer, & Facilitator*, Middle Eastern Law Students Association – UW Law Chapter; Madison, WI, November 5, 2015

Honors & Awards

Dane County Department of Human Services – Service Award (2017)

Selected Media Interviews

Wisconsin Law School's Restorative Justice Project
(Restorative Justice International podcast – August 21, 2019)
Interview by Lisa Rea

The Redemption Project Discussion Series: Small Town Reckoning
(Restorative Justice on the Rise podcast – live broadcast on May 28, 2019)
Interview by Molly Rowan Leach

The Redemption Project, Season 1 Episode 5: Small Town Reckoning
(CNN television broadcast May 26, 2019)
Interview by Van Jones

60 Minutes: The Most Unlikely Meeting (CBS television broadcast May 12, 2019)
Interview by Scott Pelley

His daughter was murdered. This is why he sat down feet from her killer and forgave him.
CNN.com (April 27, 2019)
Interview by Drew Kann

'We don't live in that day and age anymore:' Behavior that sent you to detention now likely send your children to court
Fox 6 News (January 24, 2019)
Interview by Amanda St. Hillaire

How Restorative Justice Can Shift Wisconsin's Criminal Justice System
Central Time, Wisconsin Public Radio (December 13, 2018)
Interview by Rob Ferrett

Dane County Community Court to Offer Restorative Justice to More Victims, Young Offenders
Wisconsin State Journal (July 31, 2016)
Interview by Karen Rivendal

15 years after fatal shooting, an embrace of forgiveness
Journal Sentinel (November 18, 2014)
Interview by Annysa Johnson