

PSS313 Restorative Justice Principles and Practices

Level: 3

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

PSS313 Restorative Justice Principles and Practices provides an alternative approach to crime prevention, crime control and conflict resolution. This course will highlight the principles of restorative justice and its effectiveness in the management of offenders. By examining the practices of restorative justice globally, this course will provide options to manage crime or conflict by involving all affected stakeholders and community partners to come together and seek resolution to the harm caused by the perpetrator. Restorative justice provides an opportunity for the perpetrator to repair the harm done to the victim and strengthen relationships with the affected stakeholders. By providing an alternative model to conflict resolution, students will be able to consider the possibilities of adapting restorative justice, its principles and practices in working with offenders, partners and other stakeholders.

Topics:

- Introduction to the restorative justice paradigm
- Alternative approach to delivering justice
- Values and processes of restorative justice
- Integrating restorative values and principles
- Practices related with restorative justice
- Restorative justice in family, group and community-wide situations
- Engagement and community partnership
- Supporting victims
- Leading restorative justice
- Education and training
- Setting standards
- Evaluation and outcomes

Textbooks:

Van Ness, D. & Strong, K.: Restoring Justice: An Introduction to Restorative Justice 5th Edition
Routledge
ISBN-13: 9781455731398

Learning Outcome:

- Evaluate the principles of restorative justice in conflict management and harm reduction
- Examine ways to strengthen outcomes in offender management
- Analyse the potential of restorative justice in crime control
- Determine the different stakeholders involved in the restorative justice process
- Distinguish the different restorative justice practices
- Illustrate the impact of restorative justice in crime control
- Formulate strategies to incorporate restorative justice in promoting public safety

Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-COURSE QUIZ 1	5
	GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT 1	20
	GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT 2	25
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
Total		100