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EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D., Social Work and Social Research
Certificate in Pedagogy
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
School of Social Work and Criminal Justice
University of Washington Tacoma
- Affiliate Faculty (2017-present)
Center for Human Rights
University of Washington
- 2009-2014 Visiting Instructor/Adjunct Professor (graduate)
Bryn Mawr College, Eastern Mennonite University, and Widener University
- 2007-2014 Visiting Instructor/Adjunct Professor (undergraduate)
Haverford College* and Bryn Mawr College
**Courses taught in correctional facilities, using the Inside-Out Prison Exchange model*

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 articles

Toews, B., Stevens, J., Wagenfeld, A. and Shoemaker, C. (in press). Feeling at home in nature: A mixed method study of the impact of visitor activities and preferences in a prison visiting room. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*.

Campbell, M., Dalke, A., and **Toews, B.** (2019). Naming and sharing power in prison workshop settings. *Ethics and Social Welfare*, 1-13.

Stevens, J., **Toews, B.**, and Wagenfeld, A. (2018). Designing the correctional landscape: An invitation to landscape architecture professionals. *Landscape Journal*, 37(1), 55-72.

Toews, B. (2018). "It's a dead place": A qualitative exploration of violence survivors' perceptions of justice architecture. *Contemporary Justice Review*, 21(2), 208-222.

Toews, B., Wagenfeld, A., and Stevens, J. (2018). Impact of a nature-based intervention on incarcerated women. *International Journal of Prisoner Health*, 14(4), 1-12.

Wagenfeld, A., Stevens, J., **Toews, B.**, Jarzembowski, S., Ladjahasan, N., Stewart, J., & Raddatz, C. (2017). Addressing correctional staff stress through interaction with nature: A new role for occupational therapy. *Occupational Therapy in Mental Health*, 1-20.

Toews, B. (2016). "This backyard is my serenity place": Learnings from incarcerated women about the architecture and design of restorative justice. *Restorative Justice: An International Journal*, 4(2), 214-236.

Stevens, J., Wagenfeld, A., **Toews, B.**, and Wacktendorf, P. (2016). Creating well-rounded designers of prison environments: Transdisciplinary action research, design and teaching. In P. Bauer, M. Collender, M. Jakob, L. Bonnelame, P. Petschek, D. Siegrist, and C. Tschumi (Eds.) *Bridging the Gap Proceedings of the ECLAS Conference* (pp. 201-203). Rapperswil, Switzerland: European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools.

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

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. (2018). Architecture and restorative justice: Designing with values and well-being in mind. In T. Gavrielides (Ed.), *Routledge International Handbook of Restorative Justice*. Oxford: Routledge.

Toews, B. (2016). Restorative justice worker. In A. Ackerman and M. Sacks (Eds.), *Introduction to Criminal Justice: A Personal Narrative Perspective*. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press. [book chapter section]

Toews, B. (2013). Justice and peace in restorative justice: A path to interdependence. In A. Mosher and F. Enns (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.

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.

Public scholarship

Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** (2016-2021). *By the People: Designing a Better America* [models, photographs, and a perspective drawing/montage created in *Designing Justice+Designing Spaces* prison-based design labs]. Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum, New York City. [includes a 10-page spread in the exhibit book]

Toews, B. (2018). Designing accountability and transformation. *Intersections: MCC theory and practice quarterly*, 6(3), 6-7.

Toews, B. (2015). Restorative justice 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. and Van Buren, D. (2014) *Restorative justice by design: Using restorative justice values to design transformative spaces*. Webinar, Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice, Eastern Mennonite University. <http://zehr-institute.org/webinars/design-transformative-spaces.html>

Toews, B. and Van Buren, D. (2014). *Creating restorative spaces*. Podcast, Restorative Justice on the Rise with Molly Leach. <https://radiopublic.com/restorative-justice-on-the-rise-G3wAY2/ep/s1!b3f58>

Technical reports and other scholarship

Vickerie-Dearman, L., **Toews, B.**, and McCunn, L. (2019). Evaluation of the Pop-Up Resource Village. [technical report].

Toews, B. (2018). Kitsap County Juvenile Detention Facility: Environmental assessment and recommendations. [technical report]

Toews, B. (2018). [Review of the book *In search of safety: Confronting inequality in women's imprisonment* by B. Owen, J. Wells, & J. Pollock]. *Theoretical Criminology*, 23(1), 125-127.

Toews, B. (2016). Candace House: A nourishing haven: Report on ideas for the design of Candace House. [technical report]

Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** (2015). Designing from the inside out: Santa Rita Jail workshop: Infinity Park, a restorative place for reentry. [Designing Justice+Designing Spaces technical report]

Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** (2015). Designing Justice+Designing Spaces Toolkit [Designing Justice+Designing Spaces technical manual]

Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** (2014). Designing from the inside out: Santa Bruno Jail workshop. [Designing Justice+Designing Spaces technical report]

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

Little Books of Justice and Peacebuilding (Series Editor)

Pointer, L., McGoey, K. and Harrar, H. (in press). *Little book of restorative teaching tools: Games, activities, and simulations for understanding restorative justice practices*. New York: Good Books.

Davis, F. (2019). *Little book of race and restorative justice*. New York: Good Books.

DeWolf, T. and Geddes, J. (2019). *Little book of racial healing: Coming to the table for truth-telling, liberation and transformation*. New York: Good Books.

GRANT FUNDED ACTIVITY

2019-present UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
Healing Hounds Pilot Photographs and Interviews (Co-PI; \$1,124)

2019-present UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
The Effects of Prison Moves and Policies on Well-Being (Co-PI; \$1,800)

2018-present UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
Understanding Correctional Staff Perceptions of the Work Environment: A Case Study at a Correctional Center for Women (Co-PI; \$2,750)

2018-present UW Tacoma Royalty Research Fund Internal Pilot Funding
Understanding Correctional Staff Perceptions of the Work Environment: A Case Study at a Correctional Center for Women (Co-PI; \$9,833)

2018-present UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
Furman at Fifty: Exploring the Lives of Death Row Survivors (Co-PI; \$13,357)

2017-present UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
Community matters: An exploration of changing prison architecture on the community lives of incarcerated men (Co-PI; \$15,000)

- 2017-2019 James Irvine Foundation
Evaluation of the PopUp Resource Village (Co-PI; \$47,500)
(full grant: \$750,000 to Designing Justice+Designing Spaces)
- 2016-2017 UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
The Natural Landscape in Iowa Prisons: Advancing the work of Iowa Prison Environment Research Collaborative (Co-PI; \$14,982)
- 2015-2016 UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
The Natural Landscape in Iowa Prisons: Initiatives of the Iowa Prison Environment Research Collaborative (Co-PI; \$3,726)
- 2015 UW Tacoma Social Work and Criminal Justice Summer School Revenue Funds
Designing Refuge: Involving Survivors in the Design of Candace House (PI; \$4,921)
- 2014-2015 Fetzer Institute
Designing Justice+Designing Spaces Development and Toolkit (Co-founder; \$100,000)

SERVICE

School of Social Work and Criminal Justice

- 2017-present Member, Equity and Inclusion Committee
- 2017-present Member, Scholarship Committee
- 2017-present Internship Coordinator (non-teaching tasks associated with TCRIM 498)
- 2014-present Member, ad hoc degree and program committees
- 2019 Member at large, Faculty Council (winter term only)
- 2018-2019 Member, Faculty Search Committee (assistant CJ professor)
- 2018-2019 Member, Program-to-School Committee
- 2017-2018 Member, Faculty Search Committee (associate/full CJ professor)
- 2016-2017 Member, Poverty Simulation Planning Committee
- 2016-2017 Member, Faculty Search Committee (part-time CJ lecturer)

University of Washington Tacoma

- 2019-present Member, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Search Committee
- 2019-present Member, Pie Party Planning Committee
- 2019-present Member, Executive Council, Faculty Assembly
- 2018-present Emergency housing provider, Office of Student Advocacy and Support
- 2017-present SSWCJ representative, Global Honors Faculty Council
- 2017-2018 Member, Tinkerspace Planning Committee
- 2016 Member, University Disciplinary Committee

University of Washington

- 2017 Reviewer, Library Research Award for Undergraduates, UW (all campuses)

Profession

- 2019-present Member, Editorial Board, *Internet Journal of Restorative Justice*
- 2016-present Reviewer, book proposals and journal articles (Routledge, *Critical Criminology*, *Victims and Offenders*, and *International Journal of Prisoner Health*)
- 2016-present Secretary/Member, Board of Directors, Designing Justice+Designing Spaces
- 2015-present Member, Planning Committee, Northwest Justice Forum

2014-present	Member, National Advisory Committee/Research Sub-Committee, Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program
2015	Participant (invited), <i>Restorative Justice: The Next Generation/A Restorative Justice Consultation</i> , Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice/Eastern Mennonite University

Community

2019-present	Instructor, Freedom Education Project of the Puget Sound (FEPPS)
2017-present	Secretary/Member, Board of Directors, Prison Pet Partnership Program, Washington Correctional Center for Women
2017-present	Home provider, Shared Housing Services
2014-present	Consultant, Restorative Justice Planning Committee, Stafford Creek Correctional Center

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Washington Tacoma

- Helping Skills in the Criminal Justice System
- Restorative Justice
- Facing Harm: Victim Offender Dialogue in Practice
- Criminal Justice Internship
- Crisis and Trauma Intervention with Victims of Crime
- Women and the Criminal Justice System
- Children of Incarcerated Parents
- Introduction to Criminal Justice
- Introduction to Social Welfare Research
- Applied Statistics for Social and Human Services
- Adult Corrections

Other academic positions

- Restorative Justice (courses in theory/practice as well as design/architecture)
- Peace by Design: Architecture and Design as a Peacebuilding Practice
- Dialogue Facilitation in 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 (course on women and incarceration)
- Research Informed Practice I and II (research methodology and statistical analysis)
- Organization and Program Development

PhD dissertation review

External reviewer: Lindsey Pointer (Restorative Justice), "Justice performed: The normative, transformative and proleptic dimensions of the restorative justice ritual," Victoria University of Wellington, 2019.

Masters thesis review

External reviewer: Dorota Savil (Criminology). "We can't just tell the good stories:" Reflections on experiences of storytelling and restorative justice," Simon Fraser University, 2015.

Undergraduate thesis supervision

Supervisor: Josephine Green (Global Honors), "The prison profit cycle," University of Washington Tacoma, 2015.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of Community and Restorative Justice
- Environmental Design Research Association
- American Society of Criminology
- Society for the Study of Social Problems

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 Toews, B. *Designing for accountability: Decarceration through restorative justice-informed design*. International Association of People-Environment Studies (IAPS) Conference (Abstract accepted).
- Stevens, J., Wagenfeld, A., and **Toews, B.** *At home in nature: Prison gardens and playscapes for children and their mothers*. International Association of People-Environment Studies (IAPS) Conference (Abstract accepted).
- Toews, B. and Van Buren, D. *Restorative justice: Transforming justice architecture in response to criminal justice reform*. Tenth International Conference on The Constructed Environment (Abstract accepted).
- Stevens, J., Wagenfeld, A., and **Toews, B.** *At home in nature: Prison gardens and playscapes for children and their mothers*. Tenth International Conference on The Constructed Environment (Abstract accepted).
- Stevens, J., **Toews, B.** and Wagenfeld, A. *On being human: Strengthening protective factors through the design and use of therapeutic landscapes in prisons*. Social and Ecological Infrastructure for Recidivism Reduction Conference (Abstract accepted)
- 2019 Campbell, M. and **Toews, B.** *Prison moves and policies effects on well-being*. Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. (Abstract accepted)
- Stevens, J., **Toews, B.**, and Wagenfeld, A. *Prison Gardens and Playscapes for Children*. Environmental Design Research Association Annual Conference.
- Toews, B.** *Youth-oriented design: A multidisciplinary approach to the design of juvenile detention facilities*. Environmental Design Research Association Annual Conference.
- Toews, B.** *Visiting room gardens: Playscapes for child-parent connection*. Children of the Incarcerated Conference, University of Washington Tacoma.
- 2017 **Toews, B.** *Designing natural landscape to promote the well-being of incarcerated individuals and correctional staff*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- Toews, B.** *Designing justice: Inside-Out students envision restorative justice architecture*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- Toews, B.** and Van Buren, D. *From rooms to the urban landscape: Designing for justice*. National Association for Community and Restorative Justice Bi-Annual Conference.

Toews, B. *Corrections fatigue: The stressors of correctional employment and their relationship to the natural environment.* Environmental Design Research Association Annual Conference.

Toews, B. *Designing restorative justice: An exploration of the creation of physical spaces that facilitate restorative experiences.* Northwest Justice Forum.

2016 **Toews, B., Stevens, J., Wagenfeld, A., Wener, R., and Wachtendorf, P.** *Involving students in the design of prison environments: Transdisciplinary teaching, design, and action research.* European Council on Landscape Architecture Schools Annual Conference.

Toews, B. *It's a dead place: Engaging victims and offenders in the design of justice buildings.* Environmental Design Research Association Annual Conference.

Stevens, J., Wagenfeld, A., and **Toews, B.** *Necessity, not luxury: Design and evaluation of a therapeutic garden program for incarcerated women.* Environmental Design Research Association Annual Conference.

2015 **Toews, B.** *Restorative justice: Research and the potential for cultural change.* Oregon Department of Corrections, Policy Board Meeting.

2014 **Toews, B.** *Prison design and psycho-social-behavioral outcomes.* American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.

Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** *Stakeholder engagement in the creation of humane and restorative correctional space.* Academy of Architecture for Justice Annual Conference

Van Buren, D. and **Toews, B.** *Designing from the inside out.* National Association of Minority Architects Annual Conference.