

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

## **Victim-Offender Mediation**

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### Learning objectives

Acquisition of the epistemological, theoretical and methodological basis of the main issues about Restorative Justice discussed in Italy and abroad.

#### **Contents**

To allow students to gain an insight into the methods of Social and Victim-offender Mediation. Allow students to encounter the theories and practices of Social and Victim-offender Mediation

#### **Detailed program**

#### Program for all students

The word mediation has now gained a significant position in the lexicon of social workers, although the vastity of its definitions refers to areas that are still waiting, at least in Italy, to be defined in their institutional place.

The Course aims to bring knowledge and enlightenment in the field of theoretical and practical forms of mediation – the Victim-offender and the Social Mediations that in recent years have tried to stand as alternatives to resolve conflicts that arise as a result of the Board a crime or in the daily social life.

But what is a conflict? And can such conflicts be mediated? Yet, what formula and procedures with which the Victim-offender Mediation puts the offender and victim facing each other in spaces that are located on the edge of the sphere of criminal justice? And finally, what formula and procedures by which appeals to social mediation procedures for resolution by consensus addressed, based on the clarification of communication processes?

The Course will address these issues by proposing that the participants enter into the spirit of mediation through direct involvement and "role-playing exercises

## **Prerequisites**

No specific prerequisite required

## **Teaching methods**

Lecturers and trainings in class

#### **Assessment methods**

Type of exam for all students:

Oral exam.

Written report made at home of at least n. 15 pages of 30 lines with 60 characters from the selected texts. Oral discussion of the report, submitted at least 10 days before the exam. In the essay will be assigned a mark of thirty.

The essay could focus on these issues: (one or more of your choice)

- -Critical analysis of texts read
- -The narration and a possible case for "Mediation" Social, Victim-offender, analyzing risks and the opportunities of mediation.
- -The analysis of some issues related to basic emotions fundamental to mediation and restorative justice as: Shame / Guilt / Hate / Love / Revenge / Envy / Betrayal / Trust / Truth / Fear / Forgiveness and reparing.

## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

#### Reference texts for attending students only

The exam will be held on at least three of the following texts chosen by the candidate:

- **a)** Bertagna G., Ceretti A.; Mazzucato C., II libro dell'incontro. Vittime e responsabili della lotta armata a confronto, II Saggiatore, Milano, 2015.
- b) Bouchard M., Mierolo G., Offesa e riparazione, Bruno Mondadori, Milano, 2005.
- c) Brunelli F., Le tecniche della mediazione, in Picotti L. (a cura di), La mediazione nel sistema penale minorile, Cedam, Padova, 1998
- **d)** Ceretti A., Mediazione penale e giustizia. In-contrare una norma, in Ceretti A. (a cura di), Studi in ricordo di Gian Domenico Pisapia, Volume III, "Criminologia".
- e) Ceretti A., Violenza intrafamiliare e mediazione. (fotocopie da chiedere direttamente al Professore al ricevimento).
- f) Ceretti A., Il diavolo mi accarezza i capelli. Memorie di un criminologo, Il Saggiatore, Milano, 2020
- **g)** Ceretti A., Cornelli R., Milano-Bogotà. Percorsi di giustizia nella Colombia dopo l'Accordo di pace, Giappicchelli, Torino, 2020

- h) Mannozzi G., Lodigiani G. A., La giustizia riparativa. Formanti, parole e metodi, Giappicchelli, Torino, 2017.
- i) Mazzucato C., Appunti per una teoria 'dignitosa' del diritto penale a partire dalla restorative justice, (fotocopie da chiedere direttamente al Professore al ricevimento).
- j) Morineau J., Lo spirito della mediazione, Franco Angeli, Milano, 1999.
- k) Carttabia M; Ceretti A., Un'altra storia inizia qui., Bompiani, Milano, 2020

The exam must be prepared on **four** of the texts mentioned above.

# **Sustainable Development Goals**

PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS