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## RESEARCH

### THE ADOPTION OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE LEGISLATION AS A STATE POLICY RESPONSE

Explores a recent shift in criminal justice policy characterized by rehabilitation, decarceration, and restoration of victims, offenders, and communities.

The Question: What social, political, and economic forces are driving the spread of a new kind of justice policy?

The Method: A national statistical analysis of "RJ" legislation and state-level data is contextualized by two in-depth legislative case studies in landmark states.

The Findings: "RJ" adoptions are better predicted by social than economic forces and are characterized by bipartisan support, grassroots advocacy, and policy entrepreneurs.



POLICY DETERMINANTS AND IMPACTS • system disparities • mass incarceration • LINKING SOCIAL AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE • justice alternatives • community violence • imprisonment and human rights • peacemaking and nonviolence • JUSTICE POLICY AND PRACTICES • organizational leadership • change management

## TEACHING

### TEACHING EXPERTISE

Community Practice, Nonprofit Administration, Social Policy, Social Justice and Diversity, Theory, Research Methods, Restorative Justice, Forensic Social Work.

*"(Professor Sliva) had an unconventional and fun style of teaching that avoided monotony. She was extremely knowledgeable and clearly knew not only subject matter but also real-life examples."*

*"She brings people out of their shell and encourages lively discussions. She often plays devil's advocate to promote critical thinking. Because of this class, I have decided to switch to the CAP program."*



UTA GRADUATE INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR  
GADE TEACHING AWARD NOMINEE



## BY THE NUMBERS

1.4

MILLION IN FEDERAL  
PRACTICE GRANTS

6

PEER-REVIEWED  
PUBLICATIONS

4.8

AVG. INSTRUCTOR  
RATING OUT OF 5

9

YEARS POST-MSW  
PRACTICE

2015

PROJECTED  
GRADUATION