Special Issue

Restorative Justice Practices Within Higher Education and the Arts: Addressing Complex Legacies of Harm

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is informed by restorative justice practices, the scholarship of feminist decoloniality, and the histories of higher education and the arts, and we locate discussions of universities confronting their past within social movements for educational equity and the arts and the agency of creators and learners who demand their rightful place. Articles submitted to this Special Issue will examine the experiences of groups that have been marginalized in higher education and the arts, with authors exploring whether complex legacies of harm-along the lines of race, culture, citizenship, state and tribal sovereignty, globalization, and disabilityrequire both personal and institutional reflexivity to unveil the multidimensional experiences of both perpetrators and survivors. We aim to provide guidance to those willing to move beyond acknowledgment to correcting harm in higher education and the arts.

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