Session 1: May 8 - 16, 2017

Analysis: Understanding Conflict
Explore the nature, dynamics, and complex causes of conflict and violence. Learn ways to change systems that perpetuate conflict.

Faith-Based Peacebuilding
Identify sources of conflict and resources for peacebuilding within and between religions. Analyze and enhance your faith identity as a peacebuilder. Develop capacity and skills in building structures of faith-based peacebuilding.

Leadership and Management for the Common Good
Focus on the role of leaders and organizations in working for social change and addressing structures, personnel, finances, and external networks and partnerships.

Resilience-Based Development
Explore resilience as a development goal to strengthen people, institutions, and systems. Learn to design and monitor resilience projects. Understand and assess emerging frameworks for risks, structural vulnerability, and the fragility of systems.

Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience, Level 1
Learn processes and tools for addressing trauma, breaking cycles of violence and building resilience. Increase awareness of the impact of trauma on people and systems.

Session 2: May 18 - 26, 2017

Formation for Peacebuilding Practice
Strengthen your abilities to listen and communicate, create and maintain healthy boundaries, recognize and promote diversity, lead from your vision and values, and engage people in dialogue and decision-making.

Monitoring and Evaluation
Learn to formulate and test theories of change to monitor and evaluate conflict intervention and peacebuilding programs and improve learning in practice.

Globalization: Source of Destructive Conflicts or Durable Peace
Understand how the various forms of globalization contribute to economic, political, cultural, religious, ecological, and military conflicts. Discuss roles for individuals and communities in transforming globalization into a force for durable global peace.

Adaptive Action: Nonviolent Resistance for the 21st Century
Choose your next wise action to transform seemingly intractable conflicts into scaffolds of community building. Learn to listen and hear people from all sides of an issue and work together to transform seemingly intractable conflicts into scaffolds of community building.

Session 3: May 29 - June 2, 2017

Peacebuilding Approaches to Violent Extremism
Understand the impact of differing responses to violent extremism. Compare and contrast definitions, geographical expressions, root causes, and various violent and nonviolent responses.

Restorative Justice Organizing for Communities
Uncover and expand the application of restorative justice frameworks and practices to community building and community organizing. Learn to integrate restorative justice into social movements.

Conflict Coaching
Explore ways to support, challenge, and encourage leaders faced with conflict situations requiring them to promote or support system change.

Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience, Level 2
Expand knowledge of STAR frameworks and models. Learn to adapt concepts to clients’ needs, lead STAR activities, and present workshops grounded in STAR materials.

Session 4: June 5 - 9, 2017

The Transforming Power of Identity and Dignity
Understand the positive and negative roles and transformative power of identity and dignity within complex conflicts, violence, and trauma.

Social Media that Matters
Learn social media techniques of video, photography and audio construction, interviewing, and message framing to build connections and enhance the impact of your message in your community and world.

Engaging Polarized Communities for Shared Action
Learn to organize across divides to create a vision of a shared future and identify opportunities for shared action. Frame invitations that bring people together. Practice storytelling and listening skills.

Truth-telling, Reconciliation & Restorative Justice
Explore linkages between truth, justice, and healing both at the personal and collective levels in the wake of violence. Discuss informal and formal approaches to truth-telling, restorative justice and reconciliation from around the world.

Session 5: June 12 - 16, 2017

Circle Processes
Gain skills to lead a process that brings together victims, offenders, family, community members, and others to have difficult conversations and respond to acts of violence or crime.

Peace Education
Explore strategies to reduce violence such as address bullying, implicit bias, ethno-centrism, physical fights, or institutional discrimination in schools, the work place or the community.

Tough Conversations: Turning Conflict into Connectedness
Design and harness the power of dialogue to turn tense situations into opportunities for collaboration. Learn to listen and hear people from all sides of an issue and work together to transform seemingly intractable conflicts into scaffolds of community building.
You can’t change your world alone!
♦ The world bends towards justice...if it is a priority.
♦ Peace is possible...when communities take peaceful action.
♦ Social change is achievable...if we work together.

Small groups in every society are building a world organized around principles of justice, equity, human dignity, right relationship with our planet, and peace. The work looks different in each context and we don’t always use the same language to describe it.

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• Learn from each other
• Enhance their understanding of problems/possibilities
• Increase their practical skills for promoting change
• Take time for rest, reflection, and renewal

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• Are taught by academically credentialed practitioners
• Encourage participants to share wisdom and knowledge
• Link better understanding of problems with practical skills for changing them

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Hedley Abernethy (CJP MA 2006), Former Coordinator
WAVE Trauma Centre, Northern Ireland

Other Learning Opportunities at The Center for Justice and Peacebuilding

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Contact STAR (star@emu.edu) or call 540-432-4651 for registration information. CEUs available.

Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice Webinar Series
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• Social Justice in Circles: How are Circle Keepers Addressing Systems of Oppression (with Marcia Lee, Kezia R. Curtis, Josephine Boakye, and Jodie Geddes), March 22, 2017
• Mapping a Movement (with Howard Zehr and Carl Stauffer), April 19, 2017
• Community Justice Partnerships (with Vanessa Westley), April 26, 2017

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-- Celia Bray, 2011 and 2012 SPI Participant from Australia --