# Restorative-Based Alternative Dispute Resolution

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### Overview of Restorative Practices

Rooted in peacemaking and justice practices of Native American, First Nation, and other Indigenous peoples, Restorative Practices seek to acknowledge harm, repair relationship, and strengthen community.

### **GVSU History of Restorative Practices**

- 2005: Dr. Diana Pace, namesake of the Pace Initiative for Connecting Mind and Health, published an article in the CUPA-HR Journal titled A Study of Mediation Practices in Higher Education Institutions in the Midwest. 20 faculty and staff members were trained to conduct Intergroup Dialogues focused on diversity.
- 2015: Takeelia Garrett named first GVSU Student Ombuds.
- **2018:** Small group of faculty and staff complete Restorative Practices training.
- 2019: Division of Student Affairs adopts Restorative Justice approach to student conduct.
- 2021: Elisa Ortega-Schultz named first GVSU Employee Ombuds.
- 2022: Conflict mediation survey conducted by Elisa Ortega-Schultz and Ellen Shupe, Psychology department.
- 2023: Launch of restorative-based resources and ADR process through HR@GV.

## HR@GV Restorative Practices

#### **Facilitator Training**

- 25 faculty and staff participate in 2-Day Restorative Practices training facilitated by the Dispute Resolution Center of West Michigan (March/April 2023)
- In-house facilitator training offered via Talent Management (2024)

#### **Alternative Dispute Resolution**

- Soft launch of ADR referral/request process (Summer 2023)
- Transition to Maxient software (Fall 2023)
- Full launch of ADR referral/request process (Fall 2023)

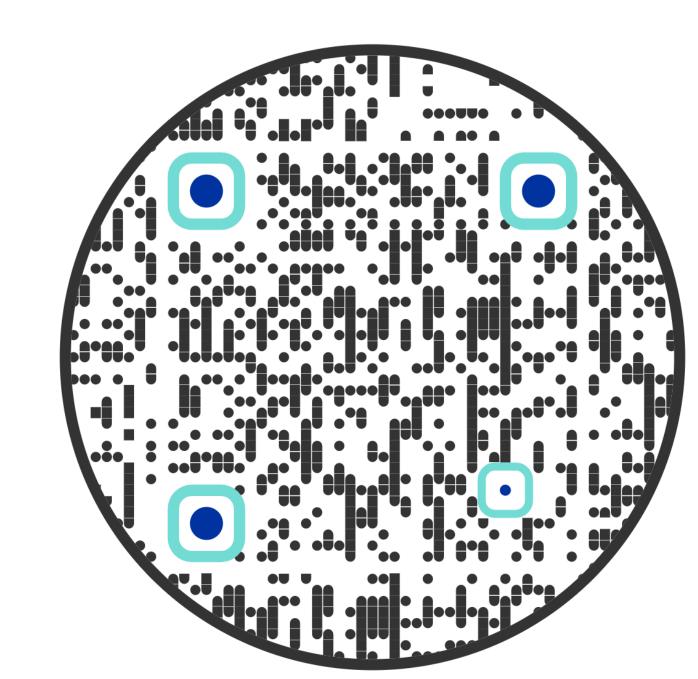
#### Skill Development

- On-demand resources added to HR@GV conflict website (Fall 2023)
- Restorative-based conflict prevention workshops offered via Talent Management (2024)

#### Resources

- Draft of re-designed HR@GV conflict website (Spring 2023)
- Launch of fully re-designed HR@GV conflict website (Fall 2023)





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