

The International Institute for Restorative Practices (IIRP) now has spring 2007 graduate courses for educators and youth counselors at its Bethlehem, Pa., campus.

The IIRP offers master's degree and non-degree certificate programs in restorative practices (RP), an emerging social science that enables people to restore and build community in an increasingly disconnected world. RP builds cooperation, fosters strong relationships and creates a climate that engages young people to learn and grow. Supported by empirical research, RP has a proven track record of 30 years of success.

In an approach designed for working professionals, the IIRP's weekend courses begin at progressive intervals throughout the term. Courses integrate practice, theory and research in a participatory experience. Students can

use their own work setting as a learning laboratory or intern in an IIRP demonstration program.

The IIRP has affiliates and licensees around the world, and has provided RP training to professionals in education, criminal



Professor Paul McCold chats with IIRP graduate students at a Bethlehem, Pa., coffee shop.

justice, and social and human services. IIRP is a Pennsylvania Act 48 Approved Provider and an NJDOE Professional Development Provider, and is PCB approved.

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