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James Meernik is Regents Professor of Political Science and Director of the Castleberry Peace Institute at the University of North Texas. He specializes in research on international justice and post conflict peace building. Currently, Professor Meernik is working on projects related to peace and justice in Colombia, reconciliation among societies divided by war, and an NSF funded conference on political conflict and language endangerment. He teaches courses on American government, peace studies, US foreign policy, transitional justice, and international criminal law.

From 2003-2008 Meernik was Associate editor of the flagship journal of the International Studies Association, *International Studies Quarterly*. He has authored over seventy articles and book chapters and has authored or co-edited eight books on international relations, including *Judgment Day* (with Prof. Rosa Aloisi) and *The Witness Experience* (with Professor Kimi King), both released in 2017 by Cambridge University Press. He has twice won Fulbright Specialist grants and with Prof. Kimi King won the American Political Science Association award for the most innovative class for their study abroad program to the Yugoslav War Crimes Tribunal. He was formerly Chair of the Department of Political Science (2002 – 2008); Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences (2009); American Council on Education Fellow (2009-2010) and Acting Dean of the Toulouse Graduate School (2010-2012). He has taught at the University of North Texas since 1991.