



The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program®

Social Change Through Transformative Education



The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program® facilitates dialogue and education across profound social differences — through courses held inside prison, involving students from a higher education setting and incarcerated students.

These courses ***ignite enthusiasm*** for learning — encouraging participants to find their unique voice and to consider how they can make change in the world.

**More than a program...
Changing the world...**



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Inside-Out began as one class in Temple's C.J. Department in 1997 and has become an international program of transformative education. More than 1,300 educators have been trained in the Inside-Out methodology, with 60,000 inside and outside alumni worldwide.

The core of Inside-Out is a semester-long weekly course through which 15 undergraduate students and the same number of incarcerated students attend class together inside prison. All participants read a variety of texts and write several papers; during class sessions, students discuss issues in small and large groups. In the final month of the course, students work together on a class project.

"Most college courses are lectures and readings which, later on, we are supposed to apply to real-life situations. This class was a real-life situation itself... The students in the class gave it life – we taught each other more than can be read in a book."



For more information on Inside-Out, visit <https://insideoutcenter.org>

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Inside-Out classes have been offered at Temple University since 1997. Contact the Criminal Justice department advisor for more information.

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