

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES OF  
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“This semester has proven to be one of the most rewarding periods in my teaching experience.

I completed my InsideOut instructor training in the Summer of 2021. This training equipped me with the

papers, maybe say a few words and then move on.

However, my personal opinions on restorative justice and the criminal justice system has been changed. Before the class, I thought our policy makers and justice system were doing the best they could.

However, I learned that this is so wrong. The criminal justice system has a lot of improvement to be made.

This program has also made me want to be the change in the criminal justice system. Another surprise about this program was how comfortable I was in class. Everyone made me feel welcomed and I always felt that I could be open and honest about my opinions. I have learned more about the justice system and restorative justice in this program, than any other criminal justice class. The opinions of my fellow classmates have also opened my mind to many theories and different ways of thinking.

In the typical college setting, everyone seems afraid to speak up and have a different opinion but this program encourages and supports the opinion of

everyone, no matter how different.

I would advise anyone to take this program. Not only was it educational, it made me excited again about learning.”

### OPINIONS OF INSIDE STUDENTS ON DR. JACKSON'S CLASS

(1) “Dr. J’s class was very informative. We learned a lot about criminal justice, specifically about its shortcomings. The more you understand something, the easier it is to see the big picture.”

(2) “What I took away from Dr. J’s class was understanding biases and perspectives; the prevalence of class and gender bias versus racial bias. I learned how poor people are kept under the heel and confined to low paying jobs- poor communities- and prisons by the upper class and wealthy who own the resources and hold sway (political), making laws that promote their agendas at the prejudging of the lower class and their interest. I also came to understand how through avenues of the media, h ( t)-4 0.00ovenuestereshb.4t15d Tw 5.4hnesh6f