

Prison University Project,

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Upon receiving your care package of sorts, experiencing the aberrant flood of joy it brought, I pulled out a paper & wrote out some initial thoughts & impressions in the form of a letter, but to include all that would take up time & I wrote too much like chatting w/ a close friend, so this revision is more refined (I still feel like were friends (ha)).

Jody, I've known you for years, so kind a smile & encouragement even while organizing papers. I just had to pop in last time to tell you how I enjoy my English 201B instructors, how they include us all in the class to open up & discuss the readings. I appreciate their takes on things, very insightful, like what professionals note.

The Prison Uni Project sets the vibe of this whole place. Down off the level-3, I was uncomfortable how to be. I immediately saw guys going by w/ Calculus books talking about heading off to class. My first one was so humbling, I thought "wooh, a civilian, a woman seemingly very comfortable, being respected as there aren't any cops in the room w/ us." That set a tone, remembrance of humanity.

These care packages speak out the love. I'm taking this lock-down time to conduct much writing, & in my bag, I was stoked to notice two black ink pens (I scribble to myself in blue, then reserve the black for the important stuff). Much thought about the consideration w/ it, & even noticed the plastic Ziploc bag, just the expense of all those alone (I like a good convict, I'm saving it).

Your organization promotes togetherness. I appreciate being called "Lube", not referred to by my last w/ a number. The highlights are, the fact that we earn credit time off per class, & most importantly, that you represent & protect your people. When they go to ship us around like nothing, you intervene preserving our education, growth, security. That's love.

I know you offer follow-up post release educational opportunities, I've heard the success stories. Do you have any advice concerning computer science?

I go to Board real soon. No injury charges, Youth Offender, first-terminer, completely disciplinary free, w/ an overly adequate amount of self-help achievements. I'm proud of my in-custody conduct.

The Code 7370 program is the other blessing here. I've completed all they offer for education, & hope to stay on as a type of teacher's aide. Their Next Chapter re-entry addition seems to come through for us once we're out there & wishing to be employed. I imagine though that some type of certificate would increase eligibility, & I hear Berkeley welcomes us & runs computer science. I will stay in the S. F. area.

Do you have any connections w/ computer science?

Thank you for thinking of me recently, for protecting me at times before, for promoting well-being.

I hope to rejoin society soon where I may offer my story, growth & understanding gained, to the youth so they may learn & become encouraged to reach their positive potential.

The Prison University Project saves lives!

Please feel free to do as you would like w/ this, I would welcome any further contact, & am able to write pages on any given point.

Thank you oh so much for the care package!
Nothing but love!!!

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regards,
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