

# LAW-925: CD: Workforce Development

The Workforce Development seminar/skills course considers the question: What does it take to build a pipeline from “poverty” to prosperity for historically economically disadvantaged people? The course does not presuppose that there is one correct answer. Instead, by exploring the problems that have created and maintained economic disparities and the tools that traditionally have been used to address it, the course aims to begin to equip students with the skills to develop models for possible solutions. Students in the course will have an opportunity to volunteer to participate in the Inside/out portion of the class, in which 5 classes will be held inside the DC jail and attended by incarcerated individuals. “The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program is an educational program with an innovative pedagogical approach tailored to effectively facilitate dialogue across difference. It originated as a means of bringing together campus-based college students with incarcerated students for a semester-long course held in a prison, jail or other correctional settings. While those core Inside-Out Prison Exchange courses have been replicated across the United States and in multiple countries since its inception nearly 20 years ago, the program has expanded into a variety of other forms of educational and community-based programming. It also has grown into an international network of trained faculty, students, alumni, think tanks, higher education and correctional administrators, and other stakeholders actively engaged with, and deeply committed to, social justice issues.” <http://www.insideoutcenter.org/about-inside-out.html>

**Credits:** 1

**Program:** Law