

What happened when Congress eliminated Pell Grants to fund college educations for prisoners?

The Last Graduation

a sharply focused documentary on the Amerikan incarceration craze and the trend towards increasingly dehumanizing confinement with a focus on the end of college programs in one New York State prison

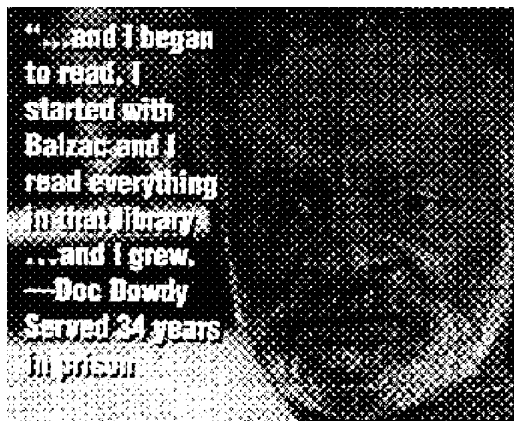
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Amerika's prison population is swelling at an alarming rate — tripling in just fifteen years. Education in prison has proven to be one of the few effective tools at reducing recidivism.

So why have federal and state governments rushed to cut off funds for effective college-in prison programs?

The Last Graduation frankly explores the issues involved in this vital question — from the advent of higher education in prison in the wake of the 1971 Attica uprising to the last graduation from the Marist College program at Greenhaven Prison in 1995.

The Last Graduation eloquently advocates reinstatement of college programs by letting the educators and prisoners tell their own stories.



The police and prison system are key weapons in Amerika's imperialist war against it's internal colonies: the Black, Latino and First Nations.

Until recently, the prison system hid it's social control purpose under a veneer of rehabilitation. Now this charade — and the positive programs that went along with it — have ended in the "get tough on crime" barrage from reactionary politicians.

A RAIL meeting will take place at the end of the film to discuss how we can fight the Amerikan InJustice System in general and the prison system in particular.. The discussion will take off where the video leaves off:: Why does the Congress and the Prison System fear educated prisoners?



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