

1st INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INMATES TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION FOR SUCCESSFUL RE-ENTRY

*Social Hall, University of Southeastern Philippines
Davao City, Philippines
May 16-17, 2018*

BACKGROUND

This conference explores the role of the different stakeholders in prison-based education in reducing recidivism, addressing social stigma, and in providing an empowerment platform for inmates to become renewed and functional individuals. Most of the scholarly works in the area of prison-based education highlight the direct link of education to reducing recidivism (Bhatti, 2010; Brosensa, De Dondera, Durya, Vanwinga, & Vertéa, 2015; Kim & Clark, 2013; Lockwood, Nally, Ho, & Knutson, 2012). However, many studies have pointed out more than this to include the effects of prison-based education to enhancement of general well-being and life chances of inmates and their families (Bhatti, 2010; Brosensa et al., 2015). Prisoners in Belgium, for example, have the right during their detention to access social-cultural activities (e.g. library, sport activities, cultural activities, and mental health care).

Historically, prison-based education all over the world is carried out by both private and public organizations. Private organizations usually conduct their education program for prisoners for humanitarian grounds while public organizations do it to either comply with the law and/or innovate (Kim & Clark, 2013). However, effects of prison-based education on recidivism, in particular, are complex. It is difficult to identify the effects of various types of educational programs, namely, technical, basic (primary and secondary), and tertiary education on reducing re-arrest, re-conviction, and re-incarceration of offenders at any time from release.

The right to education is essential, especially for inmates who have limited life chances and opportunities to access the service under mainstream or normal conditions. The emerging roles played by courts, church, police, civil society and jail management and other stakeholders are truly important to help ensure that inmates and their families get the right and dignified support to start their lives back again after release from prison. Throughout the long history of corrections, religious education has greatly influenced the treatment plan for inmates.

College Education Behind Bars addresses the educational and transformative aspects of its rehabilitative program. For centuries, churches have been among the first institutions to provide refuge for inmates. Some historical studies attribute the actual establishment of prisons and penitentiaries to the religious idea that allowed offenders to obtain penance for their crimes, to be isolated for a time, and then to be reconciled by asking forgiveness for their crimes. Most jails established a regular chaplaincy as part of their program. We view the combination of college education and a step rehabilitation program as an integral part to inmates' transformation. The Social Entrepreneurship, Technology and Business Institute designed and implemented its "College Education Behind Bars" program inside the Davao City Jail in partnership with the University of Southeastern Philippines (USEP) and the Philippine Bureau

of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP). The program is the only of its kind in the Philippines.

CONFERENCE THEMES

You are invited to submit your abstract for the 1st International Conference on Inmates' Transformative Education for Successful Re-entry on May 14-15, 2018 at the Social Hall, University of Southeastern Philippines, Davao City, Philippines.

With the theme *“Hope for Restoration—Today’s Inmate is Tomorrow’s Neighbor,”* this conference will promote collaboration among the five pillars of the Criminal Justice System, namely, the NGOs, Community Leaders, Academic Leaders, Criminal Justice Practitioners, and students to share experiences, recommendations, and findings of their quantitative and qualitative studies in prison-based education and other related topics such as drug addiction, recidivism, and rehabilitation.

The conference will feature interdisciplinary panels focusing on the impact of prison-based education on inmates' behavior upon re-entry into society and on recidivism. The two-day conference aims to promote a lively discussion on the importance of education in the future development of the Criminal Justice System as well as the prevailing approaches to its progress.

We invite all researchers to submit abstracts of their papers to be eligible to present at the conference. We seek papers that explore the questions that include, but are not limited to, these topics:

- Transformative prison-based education for successful re-entry
- The role and effects of technical, basic (primary and secondary) and tertiary education on inmates' behavior, rehabilitation, and recidivism rates
- Development of prison-based curriculum
- Assessment of outcomes of prison-based education
- The types of education for inmates that the general public will accept and support
- The future development of the Criminal Justice System
- The role of the five pillars of the Criminal Justice System, such as law enforcement, courts, prosecution, corrections, and civil society
- Best solutions to counteract overcrowded and underfunded jails
- The role of religious education inside prison
- Approaches in managing social stigma for successful re-entry
- Drug addiction, recidivism and rehabilitation.
- Other related current situations and issues

Paper presenters should fill up and submit the attached Abstract Submission Form and Registration Form. Participants and others who will not present papers only need to submit the accomplished Registration Form to inmatesconference@gmail.com on or before April 30, 2018.

PAPER SUBMISSION

Those interested in presenting papers may email their abstracts to inmatesconference@gmail.com. All proposals will be peer reviewed. Undergraduate papers will not be considered for the conference.

For paper presentations, kindly submit your abstracts (maximum of 250 words) containing the research problem to be addressed, its added value to the existing literature, methodology, results and conclusion/recommendation using the attached Abstract Submission Form.

Deadline for abstract proposals: April 10, 2018. The notification for acceptance of paper proposals will be made on or before April 15, 2018.

Submission of full paper is encouraged but not a requirement to qualify for paper presentation.

CONFERENCE FEES

All participants, including paper presenters, are required to register and pay the conference fee of Php 2,400. The fee is inclusive of two (2) lunch and four (4) snacks, conference kits and certificates.

Payments should be made in cash, check, or bank deposit at any Bank of the Philippine Islands branch. Please deposit the conference fee to the following:

Bank: Bank of the Philippine Islands
Account Name: SEI
Account Number: 2031-0480-71
Account Type: Current Account
Swift Code: BOIPHMM

Please email the photo of the [bank deposit slip](#) to Mariebeth Condes, at setbifi11@gmail.com

SUMMARY OF KEY DATES

Deadline for submission of abstracts	April 10, 2018
Notification of results	April 15, 2018

Those who plan to submit their full paper must be guided by the following:

The full paper should be well-organized, concise, and should contain information on the following:

The Title

Title Page (title, author/s, designation, department and organization, and email address). Title of the paper should be in capital letters. In case the title exceeds one line, it should be in inverted pyramid form. Underline the full name(s) of the author(s) starting from the first/given name. An asterisk must be placed after the name of the author who will present the paper. In case the paper has many authors presenting one or different institutions, superscript numbers should be used to indicate the author's corresponding position, organization and, if applicable, the address. The use of abbreviation is not accepted.

The Contents

The full paper must contain the 1) Abstract, 2) Introduction (with Rationale and Objectives), 3) Methodology (with the specific project implementation/management experiences, practices or strategies), 4) Discussion/Innovation, 5) Conclusion and Recommendations, and 6) References.

Submission of formatted full paper

All full paper submissions should be in soft copy format (MS Word version), laid-out on A4 size paper, with one (1) inch margins on all sides. Maximum number of pages is 10 including the abstract, tables, figures, diagrams, references and appendices. Font type is Times New Roman and font size is 12 pts for text and 14 pts for titles of new sections, using single space. No indents to be used on new paragraphs. All paragraphs are to be right-justified. Each paragraph must be separated by two lines from the previous section's last paragraph.

All papers are to be identified by file names as follows: <surname of principal author.firstname>.<name of organization.doc>. For example, a paper from Lucille Galicha of USEP will be galicha.lucille.USeP.doc and if the author has more than one paper the papers should be identified as follows: galicha.lucille1.USeP.doc and galicha.lucille2.USeP.doc.

Presentation of Papers

In case the presenter fails to submit the paper prior to the conference, he/she is advised to submit the full-length paper (soft copy and four hard copies) upon registration during the conference. All presentations shall be via Powerpoint or Prezi, which should be readable from a distance of about 15-20 meters. The actual time allotted for presentation is 10 minutes.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM FOR PAPER PRESENTERS

All abstracts must be sent with a completed Registration Form. Email the accomplished Form to inmatesconference@gmail.com

TITLE OF PROPOSED PAPER

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ABSTRACT

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Maximum of 250 words

KEYWORDS

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Three (3) keywords that best characterize the central theme of your paper.

REGISTRATION FORM

All proposal submissions must be sent with a filled-up Registration Form. Email the accomplished Form to inmatesconference@gmail.com

COMPLETE NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Name)	NAME TITLE

BIRTHDAY	GENDER (Mark your answer with X)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other

INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION	POSITION TITLE

CONTACT ADDRESS & ZIP CODE

EMAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHONE / CELLPHONE

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION (TOP 3)
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OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST (TOP 3)
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ACADEMIC DEGREE/S, INSTITUTION, AND YEAR OBTAINED

Hotels near the University of Southeastern Philippines (within 300-meter radius)

Name of Hotel	Location	Amenities	Rates	Contact Details
The Ritz Hotel At Garden Oases	Porras St. Cor. Villamor St., Barrio Obrero, Davao City, 8000 Davao del Sur	<p>Set on a leafy property, this casual hotel is 2 km from People's Park and 8 km from Davao Crocodile Park.</p> <p>The unfussy rooms feature complimentary Wi-Fi, cable TV and mini fridges, plus tea and coffee making equipment. Room service is provided.</p> <p>Parking is free. There's also a cafe and a restaurant, plus an outdoor pool with a waterslide and a hot tub. Guest laundry facilities and meeting space are available.</p>	P 2, 967.00	http://ritzhoteldavao.com/ (082) 224 1402
Villa Margarita Hotel	J.P. Laurel Ave, Poblacion District, Davao City, 8000 Davao del Norte	<p>This informal hotel in an area with shops and casual eateries is 5 km from the history on display at Museo Dabawenyo.</p> <p>The warm, simple rooms have free Wi-Fi, TVs and en suite bathrooms. Suites come with mini fridges. Room service is available.</p> <p>Parking is complimentary. Breakfast is served in a down-to-earth coffee shop. There's also a relaxed restaurant and a lounge.</p>	P 1, 005.00	http://www.villamargaritahotel.com/ (082) 221 5674
Infinity Suites	Porras Street cor. Palma Gil St., Obrero, Davao City, Davao del Sur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laundry service • Kid-friendly • Restaurant Bar 	P 2, 524.00	http://infinitysuitesdavao.com/ (082) 285 0001
El Bajada Hotel	J.P. Laurel Ave, Barangay 18-B, Davao City, 8000 Davao del Sur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kid-friendly • Restaurant 	P 1, 300.00	http://www.elbajadahotel.com/ (082) 221 2729
Obrero Suites	Teodoro Palma Gil St, Obrero, Davao City, Davao del Su	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kid-friendly • Restaurant 	P 1, 776.00	https://www.facebook.com/obrerosuities/ (082) 297 4033
D'leonor Hotel		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast available (surcharge) 	P 3, 000.00	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free airport transportation • Concierge services • 24-hour front desk • Business center • Restaurant • Year Built 2009 • Total number of rooms - 37 • Free self-parking 		https://www.facebook.com/dleonor.hotel (082) 221 1160
North Zen Hotel	Corner Lapu-Lapu St., Sobrecarey St, Davao City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13-minute walk from the beach. • free WiFi. • Free private parking • Every room includes a flat-screen TV and with a private bathroom. • 24-hour front desk 	P1,194.00	https://www.facebook.com/NorthZenHotel/ (082) 295 3997
Jazzy James Country Hotel	Lacson St., Bo. Obrero, Davao City near Victoria Plaza and McDonalds in Bajada	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • western-inspired country hotel • breakfast • 24-hr parking • Wifi/net • Room service • Car rental 	P999.00; P1,296.00	http://www.jazzyhotel.com/ 082-305 1847 frontdesk@jazzyhotel.com
We R Inn Hotel	J.P. Laurel Ave, Poblacion District, Davao City, 8000 Davao del Sur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 km from Davao Airport • free WiFi connection • serves delectable dishes • Each room is fully air conditioned, with a TV, and safety deposit box; toilet and bathroom has a shower with hot or cold water, and towels. • located in front of the Gaisano Mall 	P748.00- P2,095.00	https://www.facebook.com/WeRInnHotelDavao/ (082) 227 9328
Las Casitas de Angela II	509 Loyola Street Bo. Obrero, Davao City	<p>Guests can enjoy the on-site restaurant. Free private parking is available on site.</p> <p>All rooms are equipped with a TV with cable channels. Certain accommodations include a sitting area for your convenience. Every room is equipped with a private bathroom equipped with a shower.</p>	P 795.00 - P 1,795.00	https://www.facebook.com/Las-Casitas-Inn-209962199066520/ (082) 321 2617