Americorps - Arizona Department of Corrections

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For more information: <u>https://corrections.az.gov/arizona-department-corrections-americorps-program</u>

Watch Video: <u>https://npcedu.zoom.us/rec/share/189qCZTCqDJIeKfO92X-</u> a68INNW0T6a823RKrvUIzE5WhYMiKGZNeGgdug7hS8NL?startTime=1587671865000

Currently recruiting individuals to serve as AmeriCorps members within select facilities across the state. AmeriCorps members serve by teaching offenders/inmates in our functional literacy and psycho-social education programs that are within 6 months of release. This is a unique opportunity for individuals to work with a population that is eager to learn as they prepare to go back into their communities.

As an AmeriCorps member with the Arizona Department of Corrections individuals learn about corrections, gain experience, earn a living allowance, earn an education award to be used to pay for college expenses, possibly access additional employment opportunities and may even earn internship hours if they are attending a college that allows AmeriCorps hours to count toward internships. I am aware that you work with many students. Some of which may be looking for opportunities such as AmeriCorps. It would be greatly appreciated if you could share this information with your students.

This may be an excellent opportunity for students in the following programs:

- Education
- Social Work
- Law Enforcement
- Criminal Justice
- Drug and Alcohol Counseling
- Psychology
- Sociology

Some characteristics that the Arizona Department of Corrections AmeriCorps members possess are:

- Enjoys learning new things and teaching others
- Desire to serve the community
- Understands that even though people may be imprisoned they are human and have the ability to change
- Wants to be apart of providing inmates with the information and tools that they will need to reintegrate back into the community
- Has a knack for working with people facing difficult challenges

Applications are available now for the service term that begins March 2020-August 2020.