



## Second Chance Pell/Prison Education Program

As of February 2026, CT State’s program has been formally approved by the U.S. Department of Education as a Prison Education Program (PEP), allowing expansion and alignment of offerings across all DOC facilities.

- CT State enrolls approximately 300 incarcerated students each semester in Second Chance Pell/Prison Education Program (PEP) courses across the eight Department of Correction (DOC) facilities where the program operates.
- Five CT State campuses (Asnuntuck, Housatonic, Middlesex, Quinebaug Valley, and Three Rivers) deliver these offerings across the eight DOC facilities.
- Since the launch of the Second Chance Pell program in 2016, a total of 2,031 students has been enrolled in SCP/PEP programming at CT State.

Across DOC facilities, incarcerated students have access to:

- **Associate Degrees** in
  - General Studies
  - Business Administration
- **Certificates** in
  - Business Administration
  - Management
  - Marketing
  - Human Services: Management

Table 1: Second Chance Pell Programs by Campus by Department of Correction Facility as of Fall 2025

Campus	DOC Facility	Academic Program
Asnuntuck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cybulski Community Reintegration Center</li> <li>• MacDougall-Walker Correctional Institution</li> <li>• Osborn Correctional Institution</li> <li>• Robinson Correctional Institution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Studies, AS</li> <li>• Business Administration, AS</li> <li>• Business Administration Certificate</li> <li>• Human Services: Management Certificate</li> </ul>

<b>Campus</b>	<b>DOC Facility</b>	<b>Academic Program</b>
Housatonic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Garner Correctional Institution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Studies, AS</li> <li>Business Administration, AS</li> <li>Business Administration Certificate</li> </ul>
Middlesex^	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheshire Correctional Institution</li> <li>York Correctional Institution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Studies, AS</li> </ul>
Quinebaug Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brooklyn Correctional Institution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Studies, AS</li> <li>Business Administration, AS</li> <li>Business Administration: Management Certificate</li> </ul>
Three Rivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>York Correctional Institution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Administration: Marketing Certificate</li> </ul>

Table 2: Second Chance Pell Students by Gender (Fall 2016 – Summer 2025)

<b>Gender</b>	<b>Total</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Female	175	8.6%
Male	1850	91.1%
Unknown	6	0.3%
<b>Tota</b>	<b>2,031</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 3: Second Chance Pell Students by Race/Ethnicity (Fall 2016 – Summer 2025)

<b>Race/ Ethnicity</b>	<b>Total</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Hispanic/ Latino	496	24.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	7	0.4%
Asian	10	0.5%
Black or African American	776	38.2%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5	0.2%
White	557	27.4%
Race or Ethnicity Unknown	113	5.6%
Two or More Races	67	3.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,031</b>	<b>100%</b>