

# Motivating student-inmates



**“For every person who wants to **teach** there are approximately thirty who don’t want to **learn** – much.”**

*W.C. Sellar and R.J. Yeatman*

**“I ain’t gonna learn  
nothing, so don’t try to  
teach me nothing.”**

*Freaky Frank*

# Self risk assessment:

**1-7 low risk;**

**8-14 moderate risk;**

**15+ high risk for crossing  
boundaries with offenders**

“He who opens a **school**  
door, closes a **prison.**”

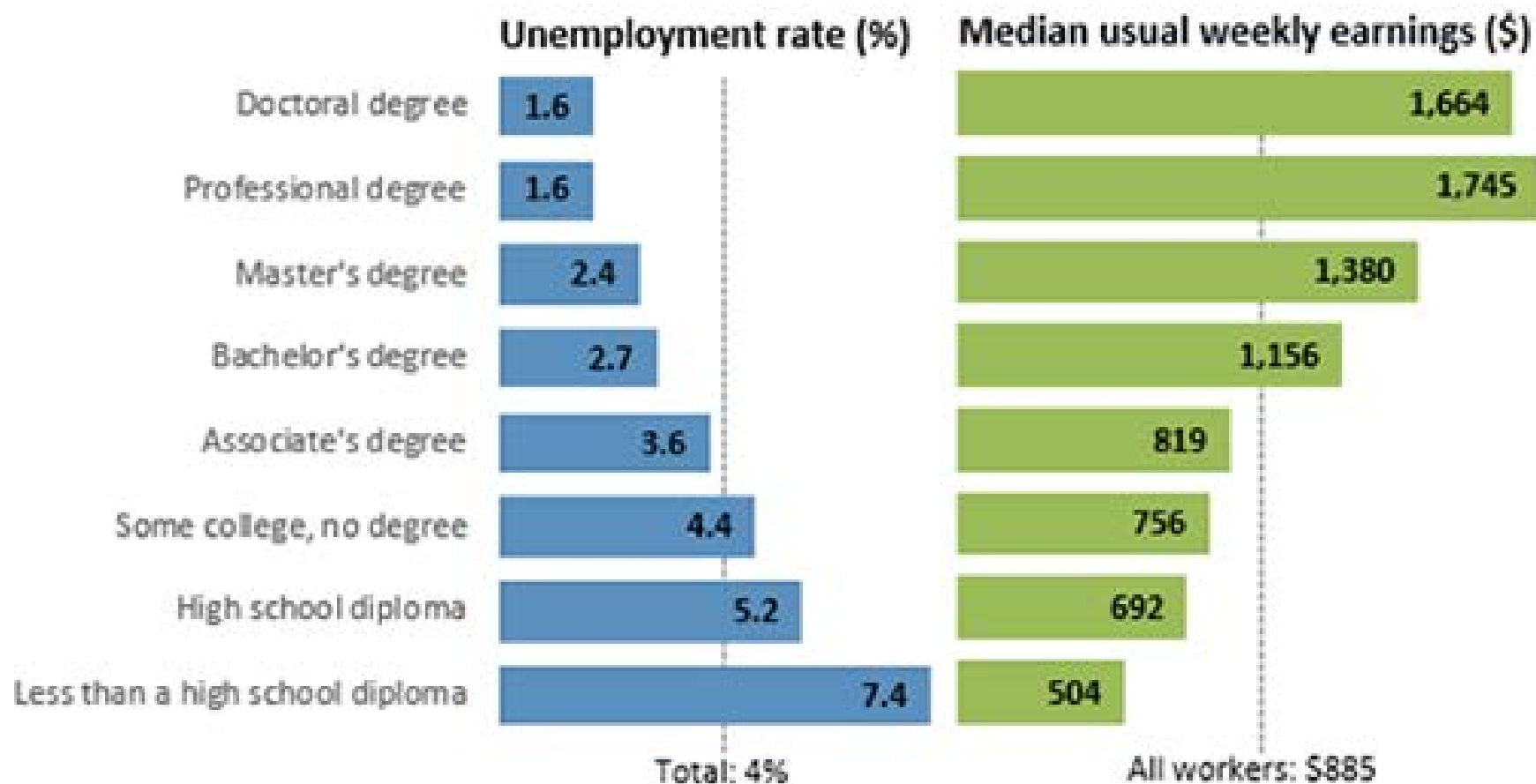
*Victor Hugo*





<http://wcrz.com/former-gang-member-earns-masters-from-ivy-league-college-the-good-news-video/>

## Unemployment rates and earnings by educational attainment, 2016



Note: Data are for persons age 25 and over. Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey.



# Certificate of Achievement

*This is to certify that*

*Alejandro Mendoza Francisco*

*Was recognized for his superior attendance in  
the Adult Basic Education class at MCTC  
during the Spring 2015 Semester*



*Instructor*

*Organization or Program*

*City and State*

*Date*



**My Goals and Milestones**

**Number of months in sentence:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Projected date of release:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Halfway point date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Short-term goals**

**Date**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Long-term goals**

**Date**

_____	_____
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## Examples of goals

Learn multiplication table

Learn long division

Finish Fractions workbook

Learn Percent

Finish reading book

Earn gain time

Go infraction free (3 months, 6 months, ...)

Complete life skills class

Save the maximum on ID card

Get a higher TABE test score (Reading, Math, Language)

Pass practice test (Reading, Social Studies, Science, Math, Writing)

Pass HiSet test (Reading, Social Studies, Science, Math, Writing)

Earn high school equivalency

Earn work skills certificate

Make medium custody

Make minimum custody



**85%** of prisoners released will  
reoffend without education.

Education is proven to  
prevent recidivism.

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## Explaining my record

Remember, potential employers are not interested in excuses or justifications. They want to know how you will be an asset to their business. (Include any certificates or letters that document your accomplishments.)

1. How would you explain your conviction (admit past mistakes and show you are sorry)?

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2. What positive things have you learned?

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3. How have you changed as a person?

4. What skills have you learned that would help you better yourself?

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5. How have you used your time to become more responsible and a value to a company?

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