In 1967, Professor John Irwin created Project Rebound as a way to matriculate people into San Francisco State University directly from the criminal justice system. The focus of Project Rebound quickly became: Education as an alternative to incarceration, and turning former prisoners to scholars. Since the program’s inception, hundreds of formerly incarcerated people have obtained bachelor’s degrees and beyond. In 2016, Project Rebound is moving beyond the confines of SF State onto eight other CSU campuses. With the help of a new team of professionals, Project Rebound will support students at CSU Fullerton, Fresno, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Bernardino, Sacramento, Pomona, and Bakersfield.

Campus and Community Support

Project Rebound also acts as a liaison between networks throughout the campus at-large as well as throughout the communities in and around the CSU campuses. We utilize a multitude of educational, tutorial, mentorship, and vocational resources. We focus on the whole student and provide referrals to counseling and networking with human service programs and community-based organizations that can best serve our student’s needs. From prison to university and beyond, Project Rebound exists to support those who want to empower themselves and others through higher education. Programs like CSUF Project Rebound cannot exist without people like you who are willing to reach back and help those who have supported you. Through the Center for Internships & Student Engagement, Project Rebound can offer a student 3-5 units doing volunteer work for the program or work study via Federal Student Aid.

Would You Like to Get Involved with Project Rebound?

Please complete our confidential intake questionnaire on the other side of this sheet and return it to our office in Langsdorf Hall, LH-647. Our Program Coordinator will reach out to you to discuss your plans and aspirations and how Project Rebound might support your academic success and professional development.

Hesitant to Identify your Prior Criminal Justice System Involvement in Writing?

All information provided on our questionnaire is strictly confidential and only for Project Rebound use. However, if you’d prefer to stop by the office for an informal meeting, we welcome you to do so.
Supporting the formerly incarcerated on their journey through successful reintegration in a college setting

Continuing CSUF Student Intake Questionnaire

Thank you for your interest in Project Rebound at California State University, Fullerton! In order to best assist you, please fill out the following questionnaire and return it to our office. Please do not leave anything blank.

All information provided is strictly confidential and only for Project Rebound use.

Name: _________________________________________________________________________________________
CWID: _________________________________________________________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________________________________________________________
Phone: ___________________________ Email: ________________________________________________

1. Current Declared Major: __________________________________________________________________________

2. Dates of incarceration: ___________________________________________________________________________________

3. Place of incarceration: ____________________________________________________________________________________

4. How did you find out about Project Rebound?

5. What would you like to get out of the program? What are your greatest needs? How do you think you might benefit from the program?

6. What are you willing to put into Project Rebound? How do you think Project Rebound would benefit from your involvement in the program?