



Corrections and Community Supervision

Fishkill Correctional Facility Starts New Year with College Graduation Ceremony

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Nineteen Hudson Link students at Fishkill Correctional Facility graduated with their Bachelor of Science degree in Organizational Management from Nyack College, Thursday January, 22nd. The group is the second to successfully complete the program.

During the ceremony Jeffrey Deskovic, of The Jeffrey Deskovic Foundation for Justice, delivered the keynote address. Deskovic's foundation seeks to exonerate the wrongfully convicted while trying to help facilitate a successful reentry for those leaving prison.

Nyack College President, Dr. Michael Scales, also spoke to the graduates before handing them their diplomas.

Nyack College first partnered with Hudson Link for Higher Education in Prison, in 2010, to offer a Bachelor's degree in Organizational Management at Fishkill. The progressive program provides a fast-track for students to earn their degree in 18 months and provides a smooth transition from a maximum to a medium security prison.

Families and loved ones of the graduates, as well as Hudson Link and Nyack College staff, Hudson Link supporters, and DOCCS educational, program, and administrative staff attended the ceremony.

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