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Dear ASI Members,

Thank you for inviting us to the board meeting early this semester where we were able to present the latest issue of the Prison BA Journal and briefly speak about the tremendous benefits it has provided to our BA cohort in Lancaster Prison and our campus students in Los Angeles. The fall 2019 issue is now being used in several classes for undergraduate and graduate studies. Selections are being developed for an animation class to exhibit them at the campus art gallery in April. We also plan to have a publication celebration with a graduate seminar in performance studies, with invited guests. The ASI will be listed as co-sponsors of the evening of performances and readings.

We are writing again on behalf of the Cal State LA students at Lancaster Prison to request additional funding for the next Prison BA Journal Volume 3. The theme of the next issue is on Prison Health Communication and Family Communication. Students in Lancaster Prison have been working diligently on research papers, autoethnographies, and performance scripts. With your help we will be able to continue offering a platform for students to voice and portray their unique health stories as prisoners.

We are requesting an amount of \$1500. This amount would cover 2 student editors and printing of the journal. Based off past expenses, we would be paying each student editor \$550, and with the remaining \$400 we would print the first copies of the Prison BA Journal Volume 3 for distribution among students in Lancaster prison who do not have internet access. We would hire editors who were previously incarcerated students that are now part of our Cal State LA campus. The printing would be done here at Cal State LA with the reprographics center, as it is the most affordable and convenient. The previous quote receipt has been attached as reference of the printing cost of the journal.

We ask you to consider the symbolic power that this journal has, not only to the students at the prison and on campus, but to the overall image of Cal State LA as a university that thrives towards the upward mobility of non-traditional students. We encourage ASI members to serve by their mission to empower and ignite student's potential through this funding. Beforehand, we would like to thank you for your time and consideration.

The journal will be made available online at www.prisonbajournal.org to the general public.

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