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Research / dissertation project	
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Subject / title of the project Prisoners, Penology and Society - Prisoner`s Relationship to Society since the 19th Century Prison Reform in Finland	
Scientific importance Penology and history of penology, role of penology in prison studies	
Practical relevance To built theoretical understanding of prisoner`s relationship to society	
Main thesis The prison reform has been executed in many countries in 19 th century, including in Finland. The starting point of the reform has been to create functional and influential prison system. The reforms started at the ideas of retributive justice, solitary and restriction viewpoints. In the 20 th century the scientific and practical interests have been in treatment, rehabilitation and hard working perspectives. In the present century interests are particularly in communicative penal theories.	
Research methodology Long-term historical research	
Key words Prisoner, penology, society	
Most relevant literature Foucault, Hirsch, Rothman, Garland, Mathiesen	
Key finding (if already existing)	