

APRIL 2023

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Important Announcements, Events, News & More!

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Email Andrew Wetmore awetmore@nwcc.edu or call 860-738-6344



Northwestern Students Travel Abroad to Study Global Issues



Northwestern students had the opportunity to study the impact of antibiotic resistance and climate change in both Paris and Spain this spring semester, thanks to a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant. In March, students Luke DeMarchis, Amanda Mason, Amberlynn Montoya, and Camica White, along with Professor Sharon Gusky and Professor Emeritus Jessica Treat, spent a week at the Institute of the University of Technology (IUT) Nancy-Brabois in Nancy, France. All four students are enrolled in Professor Gusky's microbiology class this Spring.

Gusky said Microbiology students at IUT have been collaborating virtually with Northwestern microbiology students on a project identifying the location of antibiotic resistant hot spots in the environment. Students in France and the US collect and analyze soil samples for antibiotic resistant organisms and share their data with Tufts University's PARE project, which is a classroom-based research project where students investigate the local levels of antibiotic-resistant microbes.





Comm-Con Returns

Northwestern's comic convention comes back after a 3 year hiatus!

**NCCC
COMM-CON
GREENWOODS HALL
MULTIPURPOSE
ROOM**

**APRIL 27TH,
5-9PM**

COSTUME CONTEST! 7PM JUDGING

FIRST PLACE (BEST OVER ALL COSTUME): 2 TICKETS TO TERRIFICON IN JULY, \$50 TO AMC MOVIE THEATER

CUTEST COSTUME: \$50 TO AMC THEATER

BEST VILLAIN COSTUME: \$50 TO AMC THEATER

BEST HERO COSTUME: \$50 TO AMC THEATER

BEST GROUP COSTUME: \$50 TO AMC THEATER

MOST ACCURATE COSTUME: \$50 TO AMC THEATER

GUEST LECTURE: 6PM LEA CAROSELLA

**ASSISTANT VIDEO EDITOR / ASSISTANT ANIMATIC EDITOR FOR
SKYBOUND ENTERTAINMENT**

CURRENT PROJECT:

AMAZON'S ADULT ANIMATED SERIES, INVINCIBLE

FEATURING:

- **FREE AIR BRUSH TATTOOS**
- **COMPLIMENTARY MINI PLUSH MOOSE**

- **INTERACTIVE FENCING DEMO BY LAURELL CITY FENCING. (FREE)**
- **HARRY POTTER QUAFFLE BALL CHALLENGE (FREE)**

- **MARIO KART & SUPER SMASH BROTHERS GAME CENTER (FREE)**
- **COLORING STATION (FREE)**
- **COMMUNITY VENDORS!**

CONTACT AWETMORE@NWCC.EDU WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS



Northwestern
**RETURN OF THE
COMM-CON**



**FREE FOR NORTHWESTERN STUDENTS & COMMUNITY MEMBERS UNDER 12.
\$5.00 ENTRY AT THE DOOR FOR 12 AND UP.**



Staff v. Student Volleyball

A Northwestern Tradition Returns



Please email
awetmore@nwcc.edu
or jkuns@nwcc.edu to
let us know if you want
to play.

**VOLLEYBALL
TOURNAMENT**



STAFF VS **STUDENTS**

THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH
11:00AM – 12:00PM
GREENWOODS MULTI-PURPOSE
ROOM

Email awetmore@nwcc.comcomment.edu or
jkuns@nwcc.commnet.edu to RSVP!




Student Emergency Fund

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

The Northwestern Student Emergency Fund (NSEF) was established to provide a source of funds for current and enrolled NCCC students who encounter unexpected emergency expenses, which fall within the parameters of eligibility. Students should contact Dr. Ruth Gonzalez, Director of Student Development prior to applying for funds.

NEED FINANCIAL HELP?

DO YOU HAVE TECHNOLOGY NEEDS?
A FINANCIAL BURDEN OR
DEFICIT THAT IS IMPACTING YOUR STUDIES?



The Northwestern Student Emergency Fund is here for you!

NSEF can provide financial assistance to students with immediate financial need.

For more information contact
Ruth Gonzalez at
rgonzalez@nwcc.edu

NSEF Northwestern Student
Emergency Fund



Peer 2 Peer Merit Awards

1ST YEAR PEER 2 PEER MENTEES RECEIVE CERTIFICATES FROM THEIR MENTORS.



Transfer Visits

Tuesdays ASB Atrium 10am to 1pm

April 4th

Western CT State University

April 11th

University of Connecticut

University of New Haven

Post University

Central CT State University





Library Services

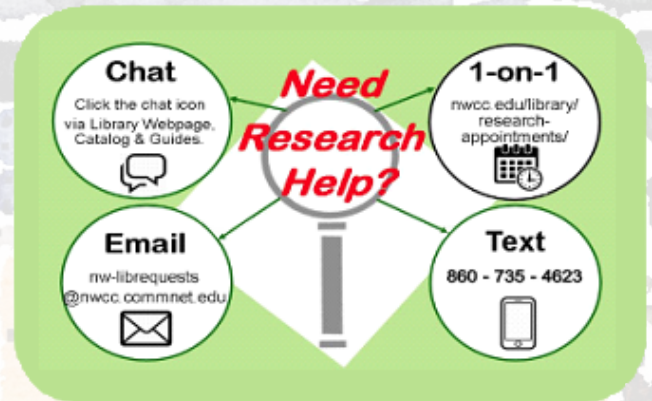
Do you have a research paper to do?
Overwhelmed by your research paper Assignment?

Check out the library's Research Guides.

<https://nwcc.libguides.com/>

- NCCC Library How-to Guides
- Develop a Research Strategy
- Find Books
- Find Articles
- How to Cite Your Work

And more...



1-on-1 Research Appointment with a librarian,

To book an appointment, submit a *Research Appointment Form* on the library's webpage!

Don't worry!

You can search the CSCU Library Consortium and request books from any of the CT state universities and community colleges. You can pick up the books at the NCCC Library. To learn more, click HOW TO REQUEST FROM CONSORTIUM tab at the bottom of the Library's webpage.



Database of the Month

CREDO Reference

Credo is a vast, online reference library, providing access to the full text of hundreds of highly regarded and popular titles. And Credo brings the facts alive with images, sound files, animations, and much more. Find speedy, simple answers and authoritative, in-depth articles.

Go to *DATABASES* from Library's webpage and click *CREDO Reference*.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR LIBRARY BOOKS

Book Drop is open 24/7!



The book drop is located at the bottom of the ramp in the lower parking area of the library.

April Display Case

April is "National Poetry Month", and "Mad River Literary Festival" is back! It will take place on Tuesday, April 11 and Wednesday, April 12.

Please join us to celebrate!





SNAP E&T:

Get the Skills to Pay the Bills!



SNAP Employment & Training (E&T) is a free, Federal job training program designed to help SNAP (EBT/food stamp) recipients gain skills to increase financial stability.

If a person is receiving SNAP in Connecticut and is not receiving Temporary Family Assistance (TFA-Temporary Cash Assistance), they may be eligible to participate in no-cost job training at any of the CT Community Colleges. Existing students can also apply for assistance with books, uniforms, transportation costs and any other program-related expenses.

SNAP E&T scholarships are offered all year long so it's always the right time to apply!

To get started, contact Erin Kennedy at EKennedy@nwcc.edu or (860) 738-6419 for information regarding SNAP E&T at NCCC or visit our website at: <https://www.nwcc.edu/snap/>



The Gallery at Founders' Hall

JOSEPH CLARKE



Joseph Clarke is a Connecticut-based artist living in Litchfield County. He is an Alumnus of Northwestern Connecticut Community College where he spent three years. Since his graduation from the Hartford Art School in 2018 he has been producing large colorful works that he describes as action sculptures. Clarke is the associate director at Furnace Art on Paper Archive located in Falls Village, CT where he works alongside artist and gallerist Kathleen Kucka bringing a powerful spark of abstraction to the northwest corner. Over the past five years, he has worked with many artists in the tri-state area. Clarke states, "After college, the best thing I could have done was to work with professional artists in their studios." His work lives in homes throughout the United States.



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Emotional Support When Students Need It

- Unlimited 24/7, on-demand triage mental health support, coaching services, and crisis management by behavioral and health professionals.
- Provides support for a variety of issues, including critical situations.
- Eliminates the possible days or weeks of wait time for a student to get emotional support.
- Removes possible stigma of a student walking into clinic seeking mental health resources.
- Helps manage demand for counseling center services with virtual visits.
- Patient records can be shared back to counseling center.

Contact Dr. Ruth Gonzalez regarding how to access these services- rgonzalez@nwcc.edu 860-738-6315



NCCC Scholarships



Scholarships available for 2021-22
Apply now at nwcc.edu/financial-aid/
Extended until April 15th





Food for Thought Food Pantry

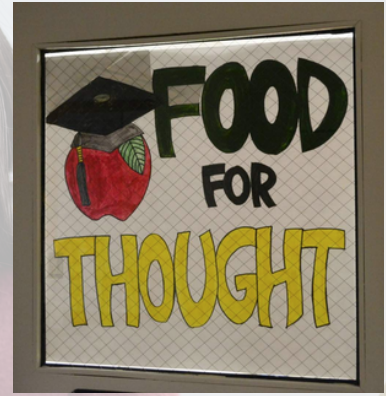
PANTRY HOURS OF OPERATION:

MONDAY, 10:30AM – 12:30PM

TUESDAY, 10:30AM – 12:00PM

WEDNESDAY, 11:00AM – 3:00PM

THURSDAY, 10:30AM – 12:30PM, 4:00PM – 5:30PM



PLEASE FILL OUT OUR APPOINTMENT FORM ON OUR WEBSITE: WWW.NWCC.EDU/FOOD-PANTRY/

- FOR ALL FIRST APPOINTMENTS, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT SOME PERSONAL INFORMATION. ALL INFORMATION ENTERED IN THIS FORM WILL BE KEPT 100% CONFIDENTIAL. DUE TO OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CT FOOD SHARE, WE ARE REQUIRED TO COLLECT THIS INFORMATION ONCE A SEMESTER.
- YOU WILL THEN BE ASKED TO CHOOSE AN APPOINTMENT DAY AND TIME. WE DO NOT TAKE SAME DAY APPOINTMENTS, AND WE DO NOT HONOR APPOINTMENTS MADE AFTER 3PM THE DAY BEFORE A REQUESTED APPOINTMENT.
- YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE AN EMAIL CONFIRMING YOUR APPOINTMENT. YOU WILL ONLY RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM US REGARDING YOUR APPOINTMENT IF THERE IS A PROBLEM.
- YOU WILL PICK UP YOUR SUPPLIES AT “FOOD FOR THOUGHT” IN THE FOUNDERS HALL ANNEX IN ROOM #319. BESIDES SUPPLIES, YOU WILL ALSO RECEIVE A \$20.00 GIFT CARD FROM STOP AND SHOP.
- PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE OR IGNORE YOUR APPOINTMENTS. THIS HAS A SERIOUS IMPACT ON OUR ABILITY TO SERVE YOU AND OTHERS.



NCCC Makerspace

NCCC

Makerspace

Spring 2023 Hours (GW 124)

Monday 2:45pm – 4:15pm

Wednesday 1:15pm – 4:15pm

Thursday: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Free for students,
staff & faculty to use!

Drive
1lb combat robots!

Laser cutter! 3D – Printers!
CNC Router!
Learn how to use them!

Want to make something?
Come down to the Makerspace!

Contact Doug Hoffman (dhoffman@nwcc.edu, 860.738.6332) for more information



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Healthcare



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Kids Kloset



The Kids Kloset is a collection of gently used clothing, books, and toys available for Northwestern students to freely take for children (own kiddos, cousins, neighbors, etc.)



Come choose items during open hours or make an appointment!

LOCATION	OPEN HOURS
Founders Hall	Mondays 11:30am-4:00pm
Room 207	Tuesday 8:30am-2:30pm
(ECE Classroom)	Thursdays 11:30am-2:30pm

Make Appointment with Tracy Smith-Michnowicz
tsmith-michnowicz@nwcc.commnet.edu



Northwestern Care Closet



Contact Dr. Ruth Gonzalez to make an appointment: rgonzalez@nwcc.edu, 860-738-6315
Located in the Goulet Building- First Floor

<u>Men's Clothing Available</u>	<u>Women's Clothing Available</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress Jackets • Button Down/ Collared Shirts • Pants • T-Shirts/ Undershirts • Underwear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress Jackets • Skirts/ Pants • Dress Shirts/Sweaters • T-Shirts • Lounge Wear • Shoes



Moosecast Podcast



This podcast allows students, staff, faculty and guests to talk about issue and topics of their choice; serious topics, funny, outrageous, personal and everything in between are open for discussion. Recorded Wednesdays in GW110 at 11:30am. If interested in participating, contact awetmore@nwcc.edu.

Listen in on Apple Podcast and Spotify by searching Moosecast and don't forget to follow!



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HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?



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2-1-1 connects people to the resources they need to address everyday challenges of living and those that develop during times of community emergencies.

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- Veteran's Services
- Food
- Suicide Prevention
- Tax Prep
- Job Training
- Senior Services
- and more

In addition to referring callers to a wide range of health and human service resources, 2-1-1 offers specialized programs to address specific needs and situations.

- 2-1-1 Navigator
- 2-1-1 Child Care
- 2-1-1 Child Development Infoline
- Mobile Crisis Service



2-1-1 is supported by the State of Connecticut and Connecticut United Ways.



Northwestern's FAFSA School Code is Changing!



Your FAFSA School Code is Changing!

Use **007635** for your 2023-2024 FAFSA.

If you are applying for federal financial aid for the Fall 2023 semester and beyond, please use Federal School Code 007635 on your 2023-2024 FAFSA. While this Federal School Code will initially identify as Capital Community College on the FAFSA, please know that the US Department of Education will update the college name in Summer 2023.

If you do not list Federal School Code 007635 on your 2023-2024 FAFSA, we will be unable to process your financial aid application for the Fall 2023 semester and the 2023-2024 academic year.

The 2023-2024 FAFSA is available on October 1, 2022, at fafsa.gov.

For more information, contact your Financial Aid Office.



www.ct.edu/admission/financialaidguide