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Important Announcements, Events, News & More!

Want to place an announcement or something you wish to share next month?

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



A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ROOKE

I want to express my sincere thanks to the entire Northwestern community for identifying a real need among our students - food insecurity. Never has this been more of an issue that right now.

For years, we have had a FoodShare truck regularly delivering to the general community. In 2017, students in PTK along with Profs. Bryda and Wiggins started the Food for Thought food pantry for our students. Stop & Shop and FoodShare and the college foundation have long been our partners in supporting this work, which we are tremendously grateful for.

Pre-COVID, we started offering free snacks in the student lounges, small items at first, but now, several years later, it has become apparent that this is something that many of our students rely on every week.

Moose Crunch as it has become known, are free snacks that any student can take advantage of, grab 'n go or while sitting in our student lounges.

This semester, several students have let me know how important this is to them. And sadly, for some, this is perhaps their only source of food. That is a heartbreaking concept to accept, but a very real issue for far too many of our students.

Thanks to the Team Success Grant and Jessie/Maggie, we have two student workers who help stock the lounges every day. We're writing grants to go after external support to keep this work going.

But, I want to close by sharing that it is our students, through the generous support of the SGA and the student activities fund that make the largest impact in keeping Moose Crunch going. Dollars that could have been spent on fun activities, are instead going to help their fellow students stay away from hunger and stay in class.

-President Michael Rooke
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Halloween Party



Fall 2023



Computer & Analytics Club Speaker

COMPUTER & ANALYTICS CLUB

GUEST SPEAKER: DR. JOSEPH BANGO



Joseph Bango is president of Connecticut Analytical Corporation, a research and medical device manufacturer located in Bethany, CT. A veteran of government-supported research, Dr. Bango has been a principal investigator or co-investigator on over 31 federal contracts over the past 20 years, totaling more than \$15.8 million dollars. Joe has 15 issued and an additional 35 past or pending patent applications, as well as numerous trademarks and copyrights registrations. Joe served 8 years with the U.S. Navy, 5 of which were attached to the Naval War College in the Strategic Studies Group, a unit tasked with predicting new technological developments 10-20 years in advance. Prior to Connecticut Analytical, Dr. Bango was an aerospace engineer with Allied-Signal, specializing in inertial guidance systems for missiles and torpedoes. Before Allied Signal, Joe was a research assistant under the late Dr. John Fenn, the 2002 Nobel Laureate in Chemistry credited with the development of electrospray mass spectrometry. Much of Joe's research is based on electrospray and its' related applications.

Dr. Bango received his B.S. and M.S. in Electrical Engineering, and a PhD in Technology Management from the University of Bridgeport. He also holds an M.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Central Connecticut State University, and is a fellow of the advanced study program at MIT

11. 09. 2023

5:00 – 6:00pm

Virtual Meeting via Teams

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OR LINK IN DESCRIPTION



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TEMPORARY CHANGES TO FAFSA



For Students: Your 2024-2025 FAFSA will become available sometime in December 2023 instead of October 1st, 2023.

This is due to the FAFSA simplification act and several significant changes to the application itself that the US Department of Education is currently working on.

The 2025-2026 FAFSA and beyond, will return to October 1st.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Financial Aid Office:

Phone: [860-738-6326](tel:860-738-6326)

Email: NW-FinAid@nwcc.edu



TRANSFER WEDNESDAYS

TRANSFER WEDNESDAYS is a rolling event that happens each Wednesday in the Arts & Science Building Atrium. Representatives from schools will be on hand from 10:00 am-1:00 pm to meet with students who may be looking to transfer to their institution.

For questions, kindly contact Rick Boger-Hawkins [860-738-6307](tel:860-738-6307) rboger-hawkins@nwcc.comnet.edu

Wednesday, November 1, 2023: University of Connecticut, Quinnipiac University

Wednesday, November 8, 2023: Albertus Magnus College, Grand Canyon University, Post University, Western Connecticut State University

Wednesday, November 15, 2023: Central Connecticut State University, University of New Haven





STOP THE BLEED TRAINING

Joanna Cyr, Melissa Bettigole and Connie Hotchkiss are offering two Stop the Bleed and AED Review sessions for faculty and staff.

The skills you learn may help you save a life!

If you wish to attend one of the training sessions, please register below:

Thursday November 2, 2023 12:30-1:30 pm >> <https://forms.office.com/r/x0Tm3ic17H>

For questions or more information contact Connie Hotchkiss at CHotchkiss@nwcc.edu



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DEI Excellence Award Program

Our DEI passport is NOW available!

What is the DEI Excellence Ward?

- An initiative to increase awareness, knowledge, and skills in inclusive, cultural awareness & social justice.

How do I get more information?

- Talk to your CCS 1001 Instructor
- Email NW-DEIEcellence@groups.ct.edu

How do I get started?

- Pick up your DEI Participant Journal at one of the designated locations:
 - Your CCS 1001 Instructor, Library, Dean of Faculty & Students Office (FH103), Office of Disability Services (GW303), Student Activities (GW110)





**WINTER '23/SPRING '24
Registration Opens
October 30 at 9 a.m.**

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OXFORD CONSORTIUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Are you interested in human rights? Do you love to travel? Then this is the opportunity for you! Students are encouraged to apply for the Oxford Consortium for Human Rights conference held at Oxford University in England. This year's conferences are:

- Human Rights in Climate Emergency and War – March 18th-24th, 2024
- Human Rights and New Technology – July 1st-7th, 2024

Scholarships are available for students interested in applying. You can apply here: <https://forms.office.com/r/8NEgZArqdT>. The application deadline is October 27th with a notification of acceptance or denial by December 9th.

For more information, please reach out to Jessie DePonte, Program Director of Team Success Scholars (jdeponte@nwcc.edu).





Library Resources

Library contact info

Phone (talk): 860.738.6480

Phone (text): 860.407.6081

Email: nw-librequests@nwcc.edu



Library Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

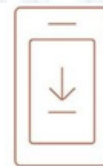
Chat service available **7 days**
a week

New Library Resources: NYtimes & WSJ Subscriptions

The New York Times

To activate an Academic Pass:

- You need to have a valid email address provided by the school supplying the passes.
- You must log in to or create an NYTimes.com account with that email address.
- You cannot be an existing digital subscriber.
- The school must have passes available.



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THE WALL STREET JOURNAL



Food for Thought - Student Food Pantry

Location:

Founder's Annex (FX) rooms 317 (pantry) & 319 (office)

Please be sure to read the information below carefully to apply.

- If you need help, please fill out a form found here: <https://nwcc.edu/food-pantry/>
- For your FIRST appointment in THIS semester, 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 Bank, 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 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.

Fall 2023 Appointments Times	
Monday	9:30am – 3:00pm
Tuesday	9:30am – 2:30pm, 3:30pm – 5:30pm
Wednesday	9:30am – 10:30am, 11:30am – 3:00pm
Thursday	9:30am – 10:30am, 11:30am – 1:30pm, 2:30pm – 5:30pm
Fri, Sat, Sun	Closed





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Hours of Operation

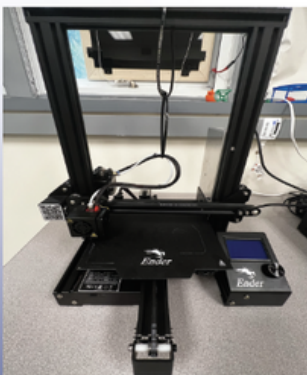
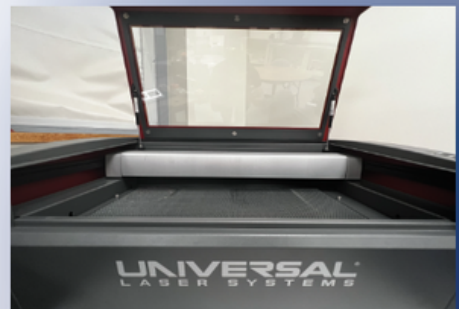
Monday: 11:00am-4:00pm

Wednesday: 11:00am-4:00pm

Room GW #124

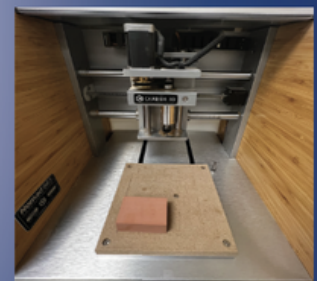
Open to any

Student, Faculty, or Staff

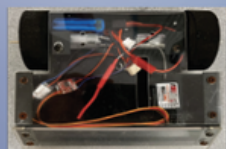


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Contact

Professor Doug Hoffman

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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



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!

Located in Founders Hall Room 207 (ECE Classroom)

For hours and more information, use this QR code to view our site

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

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Student Nurses Fundraiser

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For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.



Scholarship Opportunity

French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut, Inc. **2024 Scholarship Program Guidelines**

The purpose of the French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut's Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to a deserving high school graduating senior or Society member of French-Canadian extraction who intends to pursue a course of study at either a two-year or four-year educational institution.

The FCGSC offers an educational scholarship of \$500 to a student for full or part time attendance at a two or four-year regionally accredited college or university or a state-approved and licensed career school. **NOTE: Scholarship funds will only be awarded to the student upon FCGSC receipt of evidence of registration in an accredited educational institution.**

Criteria and eligibility (FCGSC Scholarship applicants)

1. Applicant must be a current member or the child or grandchild of a current FCGSC member.
2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior or returning secondary education student.
3. Applicant must have at least a 2.7 grade point average (or a "B-" average).
4. Applicant may receive this scholarship no more than twice.

General Instructions

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is **April 6, 2024, 4:00 P.M.** (no exceptions).
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., references, forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application, please put N/A in the space.
4. Previous recipients applying for a second year's scholarship should include a new letter of application and an updated personal essay.
5. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will not be considered. You may also download a copy of the application online at www.fcgsc.org.
6. Applicants will be notified by May 1, 2024.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please email info@fcgsc.org with Scholarship in the Subject line.

Application Process:

Applicants must submit the following:

1. Completed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly in ink)
2. Letter of application, addressed to the Scholarship Committee, that contains a brief description of yourself and your college plans (educational institution, intended major, and anticipated start date). Letter should not exceed one (1) page.
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals with significant knowledge of your experience and involvement: your high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, pastor, etc.
4. A recent official high school transcript with cumulative grade point average.
5. An original personal Essay of 2-3 typed pages, double-spaced, 12 pt / Times New Roman font. Essay should describe what you have learned about the life of your immigrant ancestor.
6. A single-line lineage for yourself, going back to an ancestor who immigrated to Canada or the U.S.



STUDENT SUPPORT LINKS

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Mental Health
Counselings Help

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Campus Events

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STUDENT EMERGENCY FUND

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Emergency Fund

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

Dr. Ruth Gonzalez, Director of the Office of Student and Community Life
Goulet House, 1st floor (56 Park Place)
email: rgonzalez@nwcc.edu | phone: 860-738-6315

To review the guidelines for applying and to find the application form please visit:
<https://nwcc.edu/nsef/>



FALL 2023 SEMESTER ACADEMIC CALENDAR

AUGUST

August 25 – CC Faculty Semester Begins

August 28 – CSU Work Year Starts

August 29 – CSCU Classes Start

SEPTEMBER

September 4 – Labor Day, NO CLASSES

NOVEMBER

November 7 – CC Reading Day, NO CLASSES

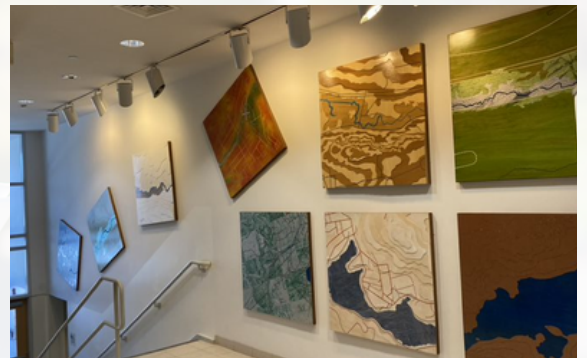
November 22-26 – Thanksgiving Recess, NO CLASSES

DECEMBER

December 11-17 – CSU Final Exams

December 12-18 – CC Final Exams

December 23 – CC Faculty Semester Ends



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