# New A.S. Degree: Veterinary Technology Program

This fall, NCC launches a new A.S. Degree Program in Veterinary Technology, naming Anne C. Hermans, D.V.M. as Program Coordinator. Veterinary Technology is a rapidly growing profession with exciting opportunities for qualified individuals. Specialty and referral small and large animal veterinary practices, wildlife rehabilitation facilities and zoos, shelters, farms, research laboratories and animal food industry are just a few of the employers that actively recruit credentialed veterinary technicians.

NCC's program expects to enter the American Veterinary Medical Association accreditation process within the year, as it builds towards a full-time two-year degree curriculum. Students who graduate from an accredited program are eligible to take the national Veterinary Technician National Exam. There are no other AVMA accredited Veterinary Technology programs in this area of Connecticut.

Dr. Hermans' goal is "to ground NCC's Vet Tech students in the knowledge, relevant clinical context and ethical standards that will create strong members of a veterinary healthcare team. Compassionate care, critical thinking, client communication and strong interpersonal and management skills will serve NCC's students well in all areas of their professional and personal lives."

A 1990 graduate of the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Hermans has a B.S. in Biology from Barnard College, Columbia University and studied music at the Juilliard School. Her research background includes neurobiology studies at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Rockefeller University. She has lectured and published widely. In clinical practice, she specializes in holistic veterinary medicine and is a certified veterinary homeopath with an integrative practice in New Preston, CT.

Dr. Hermans will be teaching the Vet Tech Program's

first two courses this fall, Introduction to Animal Care and Introduction to Veterinary Technology. In addition, she will be coordinating the Program's infrastructure, clinical facilities, instructional resources, community outreach and adjunct faculty.



Dr. Hermans' position is funded by the NCC Foundation. Anne C

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

# **Welcome Week Events**

The following events for students are sponsored by the Student Activities Office (unless otherwise indicated):

#### **Snowie Food Truck**

Monday, September 8, noon to 3 p.m. West Campus, Front Parking Lot Come by after class and enjoy a FREE shaved ice treat!

### Tie Dye Bonanza!

Tuesday, September 9, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. West Campus, North Green Lawn

(Rain Location: East Campus Atrium) Get creative and tie dye an NCC t-shirt. First come, first serve. Limited to one free t-shirt per student.



#### Yoga on the Green

Wednesday, September 10, 10 to 11 a.m. West Campus, North Green Lawn Sponsored by the Wellness Office

#### **Resource Fair**

Wednesday, September 10, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. West Campus Cafeteria Find out about all of the free services NCC has to offer.

#### **Welcome Back BINGO**

Thursday, September 11, 2:30 p.m. West Campus Cafeteria For students only



## **iVolunteer Event: Person to Person**

Friday, September 12

Meet at 11:15 a.m. on the West Campus in Room 117. The group will then travel to 1864 Post Rd. in Darien, CT to volunteer. There is space for 14 students. Sponsored by Service Learning Office.