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CCM Gave Student Skills Necessary to Gain Acceptance to Penn



Charlotte Rodgers is one of two graduates from the Class of 2015 at County College of Morris (CCM) to gain acceptance at the University of Pennsylvania for the Fall Semester. Even though she was a good student in high school, attending an Ivy League university was hardly within her reach at that time. It was her CCM education, she says, that allowed her to excel and gain notice.

"I could never have gotten into an Ivy League university coming out of high school," says Rodgers. "I was a good student but compared to everyone else I was just average. Coming to CCM, I worked really hard and was able to stand out to other schools a lot more than I would have in high school."

A math major at CCM, Rodgers explains that CCM as a two-year school actually offered her opportunities she would not have had at a larger four-year school. For example, she was able to develop her leadership skills as president of the college's Women in STEM club.

"If I were at a four-year school, I never would have been president because I would have been competing with juniors and seniors for the

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Where applicable, click event title for more information

[Space Extreme](#)

July 10, 7 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

[Shapes in the Sky](#)

July 11, 3 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

[Tour of the Planets](#)

July 11, 5 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

[Accounting Fiscal Year-End Reminders](#)

Please note that Friday, July 10, is the last day to submit Fiscal Year 2015 petty cash reimbursements, expense reimbursements and travel reconciliations.

[Library Book Group](#)

The CCM Library Book Group will be discussing short stories by Margaret Atwood on Wednesday, July 1, at 12:30 p.m. and all employees are welcome to attend. Prior to the discussion, those planning to attend should read Atwood's "Stone Mattress" which can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/on996xn>.

The group will meet again at the same time on Wednesday, July 29, to discuss stories by James Joyce and on Wednesday, August 26, to discuss stories by J.D. Salinger. Those with questions can contact ext. 5278.

[Library Offering Grants Workshop](#)

The CCM Library Foundation Center Funding Information Network is offering a free workshop for nonprofit organizations on finding grants.

The Guide to Online Grantseeker Resources: Introduction to Finding Grants workshop takes place Friday, July 10, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Sherman H. Masten Learning

position," she notes. "At CCM, however, you can get involved in leadership positions early in college."

The smaller class sizes at CCM also allowed her to develop strong relationships with a number of professors, including Kelly Fitzpatrick, mathematics professor, and Jefferson Cartano, physics professor. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/ofs7j2v>.

A Tasty Way to Help CCM Students

Mark your calendars for Monday, July 13, and come to the Gourmet Café on Baldwin Road in Parsippany for "Make A Difference Monday." Owner Matt Pierone, a CCM alumnus, will donate 10 percent of the sales that day to the CCM Foundation. Dine in, take out or purchase a gift certificate. Enjoy a delicious lunch or dinner while supporting student scholarships. Reservations are strongly recommended. For directions and information, go to www.njgourmetcafe.com.

Retirement Workshops and Webinars

The New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits has scheduled a number of retirement workshops and webinars this summer. The workshops provide a step-by-step look at the retirement process. Retirement benefits, beneficiary options, group life insurance and how to submit a retirement application online using MBOS are explained. Loan repayment provisions and the taxability of pension are discussed along with health benefits coverage in retirement. As time permits, the workshop concludes with a question-and-answer period.

For more information, including sites, dates, times and registration, head to <http://tinyurl.com/lkqmtz2>.

Resource Center, Room 205.

In this introductory workshop, participants will learn the 10 most important things they need to know about finding grants. They also will have the opportunity to practice navigating the Foundation Center's Grantspace page and searching the Foundation Directory Online. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/pkgb84a>.

HR CORNER

Barclays Center Offers for Employees

The Barclays Center has exclusive discounts available to CCM employees for a number of upcoming events. Tickets are available for the upcoming Contemporary Color performance, Yes and Toto concert, and Danny Garcia vs. Paulie Malignaggi boxing bout. For more information, head to <http://tinyurl.com/o3o5nd2>.