



## Ocean County Vocational Technical School

### Sharing Success Stories

## Greetings from Montclair State University

**Student:** Nicole Casper

**Class of:** 2013

**OCVTS Program:** Design & Visual Communications

**Center:** Brick

**Instructors:** Chris Ehrhardt, Jeremy Dusza, Howard Polenberg

**Post-Secondary School:** Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ

**In Nicole's own words...** Since I was a little girl, I loved the arts and thought it would be fun to take classes in something I was good at. However, never in a million years did I think art would be a part of my career path until I came to OCVTS. Seeing my instructors and how passionate they were about teaching, made me realize that this is what I want to do for the rest of my life. OCVTS has helped me find my passion!

I always knew that I wanted to go to a University, I just never knew where or for what. For me, continuing my education was a must. As soon as I graduated high school, the following fall, I would attend college. As of right now, I am an art education major with a concentration in photography at Montclair State University. Pictured below is one of my photos from my photography class. My goal is to be able to teach photography at a vocational school and open a photography studio.

One little bit of advice I would offer is...Pursue every opportunity to the fullest. Never turn down an opportunity that can better yourself and your future. Always try your hardest to succeed. In conclusion, I want to say to say that OCVTS was the best decision I have ever made, and it brought me to where I am in life today.

"Nicole was a model student. She was the type of student that made all the other students around her better. Nicole was creative and had a genuine passion for what she does. I wish I had a whole class of Nicoles. She was attentive and dedicated to her work and goals. I am happy she is pursuing a career in photography and education, much like myself." shared comments from Nicole's teachers in the DVC Program.

