



# Ocean County Vocational Technical School

## Sharing Success Stories

### Greetings from Fashion Institute of Technology

**Student:** Victoria Falk  
**OCVTS Program:** Fashion Merchandising  
**Instructor:** Carey Brown  
**Post-Secondary School:** Fashion Institute of Technology, New York, NY

**Class of:** 2014  
**Center:** Brick

**In Victoria's own words...** Being in Ms. Brown's Fashion Merchandising class really helped me figure out which side of the industry I wanted to study. This class opened my eyes as to what the fashion industry has to offer and how much you can do in the industry.

Currently, I am a sophomore at the Fashion Institute of Technology, studying Fashion Merchandising. Pictured below is my latest product development project. In the spring, I will have my associates degree, and I plan on continuing my education for a bachelor's degree. I am also working at the flagship Victoria Secret store in Herald Square. Lastly, I will be interning at the Dancewear Company Body Wrappers in New York helping with showcases, merchandising, photo shoots, etc.

I do have future goals. After I finish my degree, I hope to be working my way up at a fashion magazine or working in the corporate world such as Prada or Chanel. Some suggestions that I would like to share with high school students are to follow your dreams. If you love what you do at OCVTS, continue it and take it as far as you can. Take every opportunity you can get. The more experience you have, the better. Stay focused on what you want and you will achieve it.

My two years at OCVTS was an experience I will never forget. Ms. Brown has taught me so much, as I headed off to study at my dream school. OCVTS definitely gave me the confidence I needed to be in the "fashion capital" at one of the best fashion schools, namely, FIT.

Ms. Brown commented, "Victoria is an intelligent, enthusiastic young woman, with a true passion for the fashion industry. With her level of professionalism and eagerness to learn, she will go on to do many wonderful things in the future. I wish her continued success in all that she does!"

