



NEWSLETTER

WE HAVE SO MUCH TO CELEBRATE

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

CAROLINE TAYLOR



Caroline Taylor, a Medical Assisting diploma student in the evening lab, has demonstrated exceptional skill and dedication in clinical training. She was the first student to successfully complete all required venipuncture and capillary sticks, including straight stick, butterfly, and capillary procedures.

It has been a pleasure to watch her grow in confidence and proficiency. Caroline's success reflects both her commitment and the strong support system surrounding her. We are proud of her outstanding achievement—great job, Caroline! 🌟

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS (NCSRT) CONFERENCE



Wednesday, April 22-Friday, April 24, 2026, Radiography students participated in the annual North Carolina Society of Radiologic Technologists (NCSRT) conference in Concord, NC. Students engaged in seminars based on a range of topics, including ARRT registry review, learning to fail, and AI in imaging. 4 students, **Daniel Alexander**, **Mariana Figueroa Bonilla**, **Aaliyah Simril**, and **Mauren Escheverry**, participated in the student quiz bowl. Our students placed 3rd out of 10 teams! 🎉

Daniel Alexander, along with three other students participating in the ASRT Student to Leadership Development Program, presented on the topic of “Voices of Leadership.” VGCC Rad students also volunteered throughout the conference, serving as seminar stampers, timekeepers, or front desk welcome crew members.

ASRT STUDENT TO LEADERSHIP



Development Project: Daniel Alexander

I had the opportunity to lead and manage a team for the American Society of Radiologic Technologists group project, and it turned out to be one of the most valuable and rewarding experiences in my education so far. Taking on this role allowed me not only to guide a team through a complex assignment, but also to watch us grow together in both our understanding of the topic and our ability to work as a cohesive unit.

Our project focused on the perspective of physicians in New York, specifically addressing the concerns raised by the Medical Society of the State of New York regarding the proposed SAVE Act. We explored how this legislation would allow Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) to independently order and interpret diagnostic imaging studies, and why MSSNY believes this could potentially impact patient safety and the quality of care. As a group, we worked to present this perspective in a clear, professional, and evidence-based manner while emphasizing the importance of training and experience in diagnostic imaging interpretation.

ASRT STUDENT TO LEADERSHIP CONT.



Daniel Alexander

Throughout the process, I saw a lot of growth within our team. At the start, communication and scheduling were some of our biggest challenges, but over time, we became more organized, more responsive, and more supportive of one another. As the leader, I focused on keeping everyone aligned, making sure each member understood their role, and encouraging open communication. Seeing everyone become more confident in their contributions and more engaged in the project was incredibly rewarding.

This experience also helped me grow personally. I became more confident in my ability to lead, problem-solve, and bring people together to achieve a common goal. More importantly, it showed me how much progress a team can make when everyone is committed and willing to adapt. By the end of the project, we weren't just a group completing an assignment, we had developed into a stronger, more collaborative team, and that growth is what made this experience truly meaningful to me.

NEW FACULTY ACADEMY

COMPLETION



Congratulations to Rosa Faulkner, Nursing faculty (center), on successfully completing the New Faculty Academy (NFA) and receiving her Certificate of Completion on April 30, 2026! 🎉

The purpose of the New Faculty Academy is to foster a collaborative and supportive environment where new faculty can thrive as educators and members of the college community. Through access to resources, mentorship, and professional growth opportunities, the academy empowers faculty with the knowledge and skills needed to excel in teaching, innovation, and service.

VGCC SHS congratulates Rosa on this accomplishment and her continued commitment to student success and professional excellence.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOS

NCSRT CONFERENCE 2026

