



# TECHNEWS

NEW ENGLAND INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

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NEW ENGLAND TECH has teamed up with Uptime Esports, an Esports gaming, event, and training center based in Hanover, Massachusetts, to create the university's first competitive varsity team in the exciting world of Esports. NEIT and Uptime have been collaborating on this venture since the Summer of 2021 with the goal of launching the program in the Fall of 2021 and competition beginning in the Spring of 2022.

Competitive video gaming has existed since the 1980's. As video games continue to develop and expand, competitive video games are also growing in popularity. Esports is an expanding market with an estimated "29.6 million monthly Esports viewers" projected for this year and is expected to grow. (<https://www.insiderintelligence.com/insights/esports-ecosystem-market-report/>). Collegiate Esports is a small subsection of professional teams but is on the rise. In 2014, some colleges had started to dabble in supporting Esports teams but today, programs continue to appear weekly with more than 500 programs within the United States.

NEIT decided to also take a leap into the world of Esports with the opening of its Esports Center in 2020, but due to the pandemic plans were put on hold. Fast forward to 2021, the New England Tech Tigers Esports program was born. In September 2021, Eric "EMPERIC" Medeiros was hired as NEIT's first head coach of the program. Medeiros, a 2020 NEIT graduate, brings more than five years of experience in the Esports industry. His knowledge and winning culture will help to build the team and enhance the student experience.

"As an NEIT alum, I am proud to return as the inaugural head coach for the development of the NEIT Esports program," said Medeiros. "I am committed to developing a program that once upon a time, when I was a student, I would have loved to be a part of. With NEIT Esports, we strive to develop all three pillars of a successful program: Competition, Club, and Community so every student, no matter their Esports origin, can participate and have a great experience."

## Varsity Esports Is Now NEIT's First Competitive Athletics Program



A campus-wide kickoff party was held at the start of the Fall 2021 term to celebrate the opening of the varsity program with more than 50 students attending during the course of two days. Students were polled to determine which games they would like to play as part of the program. NEIT offers both Associate in Science and Bachelor of Science degree programs in Video Game Design and Game Development and Simulation Programming so Esports has been popular at NEIT. The goal of the university is to raise Esports to a whole new level with assistance from Uptime Esports.

With more than 80 students expressing interest in competitive play, the three most popular games were identified: League of Legends, Rocket League and Call of Duty.

After three weeks of tryouts for all three games, the inaugural competitive teams were established. The roster for these games, including each player's program of study, is as follows:

### CALL OF DUTY

- Michael "GodTierVoid" Chace**  
(Construction)
- Jordan "Soera" Sinclair**  
(Video Game Design)
- Michael "brag about it" Braga**  
(Digital Media Production)
- Kevin "Gordiviris" Andrade**  
(Software Engineering and Web Development)
- Evan "Sully" Sullivan**  
(Automotive)

### ROCKET LEAGUE

- Cameron "Camokilla508" Quinn**  
(Architectural Building Engineering Technology)
- Kyle "Krill52" Nicolas**  
(Criminal Justice)
- Isaac "Mutterz" Mitchell**  
(Cybersecurity and Networking)
- Michael "narco" Kairevich**  
(Paramedic Technology)

### LEAGUE OF LEGENDS

- Ben "Shockingly Bad" Dameworth**  
(Video Game Design)
- Gavin "ImagineGavinz" Schillinger**  
(Video Game Design)
- James "Pathfinder01" Bond**  
(Electronics and Robotics)
- Alexander "Northe" Helm**  
(Video Game Programming)
- Nathaniel "RoyalTeahee" Susko**  
(Video Game Design)

The teams have begun competition in three main conferences: NECC (National Esports Collegiate Conference), NACE Starleague, and the College Call of Duty League (CCL). All three teams are competing in action-packed games against local, national, and even international colleges. The NEIT Rocket League team won their first games in the NECC making a historic landmark for New England Tech. The Call of Duty team won a big match against neighboring Bryant University with a 3 to 2 win.

Although the varsity team competitions are well underway, NEIT's Esports Center, located at the East Greenwich campus, is open to all students for free play. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. In-house weekly social competitions are posted on the TechNet Student Activities calendar. Students who may be interested in creating a gaming event should contact Student Activities Director, Melissa Hague, at [mhague@neit.edu](mailto:mhague@neit.edu).

The NEIT community wishes the New England Tech Tigers much success as they enter the world of Esports varsity competition.



## Meet the New England Tech Tigers Esports Teams

**Top Row, l-r: Nathaniel "RoyalTeahee" Susko, Gavin "ImagineGavinz" Schillinger, James "Pathfinder01" Bond, Benjamin "Shockingly Bad" Dameworth, Alexander "Northe" Helm, Jordan "Soera" Sinclair. Bottom row, l-r: Kyle "Krill52" Nicolas, Cameron "Camokilla508" Quinn, Isaac "Mutterz" Mitchell, Michael "narco" Kairevich, Kevin "Gordiviris" Andrade, Michael "brag about it" Braga, Michael "GodTierVoid" Chace. Not pictured: Evan "Sully" Sullivan**





FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT RICHARD GOUSE

Greetings to All, With the Winter Term ending soon, we all look forward to Spring and the start of NEIT's new Practical Nurse program, the creation of our first-ever sports team, and Commencement 2022!

With the increased demand for nurses both locally and nationally, NEIT's Practical Nurse Certificate program prepares students with the knowledge and skills needed to become a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). Graduates are encouraged to continue their transition into NEIT's Associate in Science degree program in Nursing while working as LPNs.

We wish our first-ever varsity team, the New England Tech Tigers Esports team, the best of luck as they enter the world of competitive collegiate Esports. My thanks to all NEIT faculty and staff who worked diligently to bring this team to fruition.

We are pleased to announce that NEIT will host an in-person ceremony to commemorate Commencement 2022! Due to the pandemic, virtual ceremonies were held to honor NEIT's 2020 and 2021 graduates. This year, we look forward to witnessing our students cross the stage and receive their diplomas with their family, friends, faculty, and staff sharing in their great accomplishment.

We look forward to another year filled with continued success for all NEIT students and graduates.



Destiny Fry graduated from NEIT in the Summer of 2020 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Graphics, Multimedia and Web Design. Completing her degree and finding full-time employment during the pandemic were a challenge but Destiny persevered. Using her creativity along with the knowledge and skills she gained at NEIT, Destiny did freelance work and built a strong client base.

Creativity and Persistence Pay Off for this GMW Grad

What made you decide to attend NEIT?

I always knew that I wanted to pursue graphic design, even throughout high school. I spent a lot of time researching schools all over the country, but it was not until I toured NEIT that I felt it was the right place for me.

Why did you choose your program?

Art has always intrigued me since I was a child. Fortunately, my father was in the graphic design field, and he introduced me to the design world which really helped push my skills as I developed.

What did you do to get started with your career?

During the pandemic, I had finished my last term at New England Tech. Subsequently, it was challenging to seek full-time work, so I shifted my focus to freelance work. In one year, I had worked with eight clients on a consistent or an as-needed basis.

with them and the ability to grow professionally within that one year.

Tell us about your current position.

Currently, I am a Digital Designer for Miranda Creative. I work on everything digital from social ads to website layouts, logos and more.

What do you feel ultimately prepared you for your position?

My hands-on experience at New England Tech prepared me to enter the graphic design field. I had the opportunity to build brands from scratch and learn from teachers and peers who worked outside of NEIT.

Do you have any advice for graduates who are just beginning their job search?

The best advice I can give is patience. It's not an overnight process, unfortunately, but if you are able to work even part-time, those little successes really add up.

Nursing Programs Offer Many Career Options

THE THIRD FLOOR of the north wing at NEIT's East Greenwich campus is under construction as two nursing labs are being added to accommodate the new Practical Nurse (PN) program.

Improvements have been made to New England Tech's RN to BSN online program. Now in the third term of the new, shorter RN to BSN curriculum, the entire curriculum team worked diligently to reduce the program from seven to five terms.

The MSN/FNP program's robust didactic approach focuses on real-world clinical presentations, which brings students from the theoretical to the practical. Students have commented that they are more prepared for their clinical environment with the program's experiential Clinical Immersion course.



Carol Muller MSN, APRN, FNP-C NEIT MSN/FNP Graduate

During the Summer 2021 term, the first cohort of students earned their Master of Science/Family Nurse Practitioner degree. As an accredited program, these graduates are now in the process of obtaining their board certification.

NEIT's first MSN/FNP graduate and board-certified Nurse Practitioner is Carol Muller. Carol completed her Associate in Science degree in Nursing, her RN to BSN and now her Master of Science in Nursing all at New England Tech!

Save The Date... COMMENCEMENT 2022 SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022 AT 11:00 A.M. DUNKIN DONUTS CENTER PROVIDENCE

DEAN'S LIST

The following students have achieved academic excellence for the term ending December 18, 2021. These full-time students have been placed on the Dean's List for achieving a GPA of 3.6 or higher on a maximum scale of 4.0.

Table listing Dean's List students across various departments including Business, Health Sciences, and Liberal Arts, with names and department abbreviations.



# Local Go Baby Go Program Rides On!

NEW ENGLAND TECH STUDENTS have collaborated with students from the William M. Davies, Jr. Career and Technical High School in Lincoln, Rhode Island to retrofit children's ride-on, battery-operated vehicles to assist youngsters with various mobility issues. NEIT has participated in the Rhode Island chapter of Go Baby Go since August 2019. Students from several of NEIT's technology programs, such as Occupational Therapy, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, and Automotive, along with Davies' Electronics/Robotics/Pre-Engineering students, have used their knowledge and skills to change the lives of children and their families.

To date 17 vehicles have been presented to deserving young children. Most recently, two-year old Logan was very excited to receive his F-150 truck on December 2, 2021, at the William M. Davies, Jr. Career and Technical High School under the guidance of its Electronics/Robotics/Pre-Engineering instructor, Ed Martins, and NEIT's Mechanical Engineering and Welding Engineering Department Chair and President of Go Baby Go Rhode Island, Associate Professor Dean Plowman, and their students. The cost of Logan's truck and its renovations were made possible by Flood Ford dealerships in Rhode Island.

These battery-operated vehicles typically run with a foot pedal like a regular car does but with no brake. When the foot pedal is released, the car stops. While Logan can walk, he has right Hemiplegia, leaving him with fully functional use of only his left hand. He loves all things truck, and his physical therapist felt that encouraging him to use a push button operation with his affected right hand while steering with his left hand would ultimately improve his ability to use both hands for his everyday tasks. The other accommodation made was a "kill switch" that his parents or therapist can use should he drive too fast! Needless to say, Logan was quite happy with his new truck!

Both schools plan to retrofit five additional cars each this year and will continue to work with sponsors and clinical sites in the area to find children who can benefit from this unique opportunity to move more independently and play with their peers more easily.



From left: Davies High School pre-engineering students Axcell Collins-Mena, Jean Marie Preira, Christian Semedo and Jayden Medeiros with Logan.

# NEIT Receives Top Rankings by U.S. News & World Report for its Online Bachelor Programs

New England Institute of Technology has ranked in the top 1% in both Rhode Island and New England and in the top 20% nationally out of 381 schools ranked by U.S. News & World Report in its 2022 Best Online Program survey. These impressive rankings are viewed by millions of domestic and international students and working adults to compare the academic quality of bachelor's and master's online degree programs offered at colleges and universities across the country. Students search the directory to explore factors such as program offerings, tuition, and online student services.

To be considered in the bachelor level rankings, only degree-granting programs offered predominately online at accredited colleges and universities are reviewed. The various methodologies used are based on such factors as faculty credentials and training, student engagement, technology, student services, and expert opinions from high-ranking academic officials.

For more information on the rankings and methodologies, please visit <https://www.usnews.com/education/online-education#methodology>.

"Since online learning is an integral part of higher education today, U.S. News & World Report's Best Online Programs rankings can assist prospective students as they begin their search for an accredited program that suits both their academic and career goals," stated Dr. Douglas H. Sherman, NEIT's Senior Vice President and Provost. "Together, NEIT faculty and instructional designers work tirelessly to provide our students with high quality, rigorous programs along with 24/7 technical support. We are pleased to have earned these prominent rankings."

For more information on NEIT's more than 50 undergraduate and graduate degree programs, please visit [www.neit.edu](http://www.neit.edu) or contact the Admissions office at 800-736-7744 or by email at [admissions@neit.edu](mailto:admissions@neit.edu).

# "Possibility Days" Make a College Degree Possible

NEW ENGLAND INSTITUTE of Technology, in collaboration with the City of Pawtucket, the Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket and Pawtucket/Central Falls Development, have created the Pawtucket College Readiness Initiative, *From Inspiration to Aspiration*. This initiative will provide new pathways for Pawtucket's younger students, high school students and graduates, and adult learners to earn a degree at New England Tech. NEIT will work to improve successful academic outcomes for these students by removing potential barriers to earning a degree.

To provide greater access to higher learning opportunities, NEIT is establishing a new University Resource Center in downtown Pawtucket at 2 Bayley Street, a property owned by Pawtucket/Central Falls Development. At the center, students can ride a dedicated shuttle to the NEIT campuses in Warwick and East Greenwich. It will also house a student lounge and community meeting space where NEIT will offer information sessions for students, their families and friends, as well as prospective students.

A "Possibility Day" was held at Shea High School in Pawtucket on January 14, 2022, when five NEIT students enrolled in the Electronics, Robotics and Drones (ERD) Associate in Science degree program participated in a "Possibility Panel." The students shared their stories as to why they chose to attend NEIT and how they selected their program of study. They discussed the challenges they overcame such as financial matters, academic issues, and family obligations, as they paved their way to a college

degree. Students shared videos of their robotics projects and later discussed possible career plans after graduation. An open discussion followed offering the Shea students an opportunity to ask questions.

NEIT is planning a series of exciting experiential learning activities to assist Pawtucket students of various ages, as well as adult learners, to envision exciting new academic and career opportunities. Pre-high school age students will participate in activities that emphasize the importance of learning through visits to NEIT and activity days with the Boys and Girls Club of Pawtucket and the Dare to Dream Ranch in Foster, Rhode Island.

NEIT also offers high school students the opportunity to enroll in the All Course Network through the Rhode Island Department of Education which provides college credits, along with college-readiness coaching, technical camps, internships, and real-world preparation for employment opportunities.

Together with the Initiative's affiliates, NEIT will create a pathway for high school seniors, graduates, and adult learners to enroll in one of its more than 50 undergraduate and graduate degree programs. Students who graduated from high school within the last four years may begin classes in the Spring 2022 term. Students graduating from high school in Spring 2022 may enroll in the Fall 2022 term.

For more information, Pawtucket residents are encouraged to apply at [www.neit.edu/apply](http://www.neit.edu/apply), call the Admissions Office at 401-739-5000, or email [admissions@neit.edu](mailto:admissions@neit.edu).



From left: Elizabeth Fasteson, Shea High School Counselor-Department Lead; Jim Hoyt, Director of the Boys and Girls Club of Pawtucket; Jermaine Martinez and Ben Nichols, NEIT students; Dr. Jacqueline Ash, Shea High School Principal; Magali Angeloni, NEIT Assistant Professor, Public Health Program Director; Lucas Sutton and Joel Marcucilli, NEIT students; and Erin Flynn M.Ed., NEIT Director, Enrollment Management Outreach and Events

# Where your former classmates are

The Career Services Office can attest to the fact that they are working in very exciting jobs! We wish them continued success in their careers and all of their future endeavors.

**Ethan Paul**, AAHP, 3/21, Automotive Technology with High Performance, is employed by Balise Toyota of Warwick

**Juan Sandoval**, AAUT, 7/20, Advanced Automotive Technology, is employed by Boch Honda

**Brett Gonzalez**, ABTB, 9/21, Architectural Building Engineering Technology, is employed by The Haynes Group

**Michael Adams**, CMTB, 3/21, Construction Management, is employed by Carrigg Commercial Builders, LLC

**Azurae Cruz**, DMPB, 9/21, Digital Media Production, is employed by WLNE Channel 6

**Connor Funaro**, ELTB, 9/21, Electrical Engineering Technology, is employed by Otis Elevator

**Andrew Charbonneau**, ELY, 3/21, Electrical Technology, is employed by J & J Electric

**Destiny Fry**, GMWB, 9/20, Graphics, Multimedia & Web Design, is employed by Miranda Creative

**Katimarie Finneran**, IDA, 3/21, Interior Design, is employed by Oak Development & Design

**Joshua Lloyd**, ITBS, 9/19, Information Technology/Software Engineering, is employed by Advanced Digital Data Systems, Inc.

**Ana Welch**, ITN, 3/20, Information Technology/Network Engineering, is employed by TriMarks USA, LLC

**Jennifer Candido**, MAA, 9/19, Medical Assisting & Administration, is employed by East Bay Community Action

**Allen Chase**, MCTB, 9/19, Mechanical Engineering Technology, is employed by Waukesha Bearings

**Sarah Berkery**, MGTB, 9/20, Business Management, is employed by Washington Trust Company

**Nicole Ferrell**, MGTH, 3/21, Business Management, Healthcare, is employed by Kent Hospital

**Lauren DaSilva**, MLTA, 9/19, Medical Laboratory Technology, is employed by Morton Hospital

**Michael Kissinger**, MSCD, 3/21, Cyber Security Defense, is employed by Innovex

**Samantha Walsh**, MSPH, 3/20, Public Health, is employed by Neighborhood Health Plan Of RI

**Brianna Boyd**, MT, 3/21, Marine Technology, is employed by Electric Boat Corporation

**Malick Sow**, NUR, 9/20, Nursing, is employed by Genesis HealthCare

**Amanda Jubin**, OTA, 9/20, Occupational Therapy Assistant, is employed by Select Rehab

**Pepper Franchina-Gallagher**, OTD, 3/21, Occupational Therapy, is employed by Coastal Kids Occupational Therapy, PLLC

**Hannah Perra**, PAR, 3/20, Paramedic Technology, is employed by Hope Valley Ambulance Squad

**James Hall**, PLBH, 9/21, Plumbing/Heating/Gas Technology, is employed by A & L Mechanical

**Monique St. Pierre**, PTA, 3/21, Physical Therapist Assistant, is employed by Broad River Rehab

**Michael DiBernardo**, RC, 3/21, Respiratory Care, is employed by Backus Hospital

**Lara Young**, RNBN, 3/21, Nursing, is employed by Washington Regional Medical Center

**Aimee Olivier**, ST, 3/21, Surgical Technology, is employed by Rhode Island Hospital

**Mitchell Dell**, VDEB, 3/20, Video Game Design, is employed by MIKEL, Inc.

**Christy Gilpatrick**, VET, 3/21, Veterinary Technology, is employed by Riverside Animal Hospital

Many NEIT graduates employ NEIT graduates. If you have an opening within your company or know of an opening that would be best filled by an NEIT graduate, please contact Pat Blakemore, Director of Career Services, at 800-736-7744 or 401-739-5000. There is no fee for any referrals.

Graduates of New England Institute of Technology or New England Technical Institute are automatically members of the NEIT Alumni Association. Your participation in the Alumni Association is critical to its success. Please consider becoming an active member of this important organization, and the best news of all: there is no fee for membership. To join please call 401-739-5000, ext. 3704.

Paul O'Coin ..... CMTB	Berta Puello-Martinez.....ITSA	Kyle Sangillo .....VGDA	William Taylor .....BSOT
Margaret O'Shea..... AAUT	Jersey Quinonez.....ALUB	Hailey Sango .....DMPA	Matthew Therrault..... DMPA
Alexa Oikarinen.....BSOT	Kayla Rafferty..... HSA	Alexandra Santiago Camacho. CJ	Xavier Thibault ..... ABTA
Sebastian Oquendo..... CINA	Robert Rannin .....VET	Jeremy Santos..... AAUT	James Thomas ..... MCTB
Tal Oring ..... ITBS	Julie Raposo .....NUR	Tyler Santos .....AAHP	Torie Thomas .....ST
Tyler Ostrowski.....DMPB	Joseph Rapoza .....MCTB	Meghan Sardina..... HSA	Thomas Thompson.....ADMT
Hailey Otero .....AAHP	Alec Rastad.....CYNB	Nadya Sasa .....VET	Brian Thornton .....AAHP
Dominic Pacheco .....VGDA	Sara Rattay.....RNBN	Destiny Schaefer .....NUR	Allison Thorpe .....NUR
Savannah Paiva .....DMPA	Shawn Ready .....MGTB	Guilherme Schaible .....VDEB	Lauren Tiernan .....WEL
Matthew Palombo.....WEL	Gabrielle Reid..... CJ	Sandy Schulz..... HSA	Ian Tolosky .....MGTT
Jordan Pappolla.....IDA	Shane Renfree .....ELRE	Grace Shaw .....RNBN	Joshua Tonucci .....DMPA
Isabelle Pare .....HSA	Jenna Reposa.....RNBN	Zachary Sheehan .....CYNB	Khamsouk Touy .....RC
Danton Parlato .....DMPB	Caitlin Richard.....NUR	Ethan Shilo-Draper .....ITBS	Jack Trainor .....PAR
Ashlyn Paschoal.....RC	Lori Riendeau.....RNBN	Joseph Silva .....BCM	James Tyner .....VGDA
Yashkumar Patel.....AAHP	Michael Rinfrette.....ELRE	Laura Simon .....ST	Nicholas Valletta .....ERDA
Courtney Patterson .....DMPA	Arianna Ritchoite.....VET	Rajvir Singh .....AAHP	Nicholas Vartabedian .....CMTB
Michelle Pelletier.....HSA	Ty-Eisha Rivera.....RC	Guilherme Skopinski .....ELY	Michelle Vekeman .....NUR
Derek Pena.....VGDA	Maia Robert.....CJ	Karissa Smith .....VET	Alexander Velasquez.....CYNB
Julie Perez .....HSA	Benjamin Robitaille.....RACH	Lindsey Sousa .....GMWA	Heather Vickers.....RNBN
Zachary Perretty .....DMPA	Elisabeth Rodrigues.....HSA	Mallory Sousa .....VET	Casey Viens .....ITBS
Adam Perry.....BCC	Jessica Rogall .....AAUT	Marisa Souto .....RNBN	Nicholas Vuona.....MT
Catherine Perry.....VET	Stephen Rogers.....MCTA	William Spahr.....CJB	Kristyn Waddington.....NUR
Joshua Perry.....PLBH	Julie Rooslet .....NUR	Katiana St Fleur.....NUR	Dejaun Walker .....MCTA
Orianna Perry.....CJB	Asmin Rosario Peralta Jr.. CMTB	Kaiser Stallman.....DMPB	Scott Walls .....AAHP
Cameron Petroccione.....VDEB	Halley Rossi.....RNBN	Matthew Stanton .....GDSB	Mackenzie Walsh.....RNBN
Madison Pierce.....VDEA	Spencer Roucoulet.....ITSA	Eric Stevens .....MCTA	Brianna Ward .....VET
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Ryan Plante .....ITSA	Rebecca Rushton .....ST	Keegan Sullivan.....VGDA	Johnna Wilson .....OTA
Mitchell Plantier .....VGDA	Angelica Russell.....NUR	Nathaniel Susko .....VDVA	Ashley Wood .....BSOT
David Podzon .....VDEB	Emily Russell .....ABTA	David Swansey .....ITBS	Randy Woodhead.....AAHP
Michael Pontarelli .....DMPB	Kyle Russell .....CJ	Dylan Swett .....CJ	Cody Wylie .....CINA
Jacob Popillo .....CYNB	Allison Russo.....BSOT	Carmen Sylva .....MLTA	Brian Yang .....CINA
Lucas Porter .....VDVA	Andrew Russomanno.....RACH	Brandon Talbot.....CINA	Aimee Yerkes.....BSOT
Gabriel Posillo.....CINA	George Saban Jr.....ITBS	Nathan Tandon .....ITSA	Vincent Zammicello.....VDEA
Tanner Powell.....ELY	Taylor Sadowski.....HSA	Garett Tavares .....DMPA	Jada Zarokostas .....ST
Keegan Preston.....VGDA	Meghan Salley.....GMWA	Juliana Tavares .....OTA	
Lindsey Proulx.....ST	Jose Samayoa Juarez.....ABTB	Kyle Tavares.....ERDA	
Makayla Prouty.....BCD	Hunter Sampson.....NUR	Giselle Taveras.....HSA	

**Congratulations**



# “Spot” Comes to NEIT

The Electronics, Robotics and Drones (ERD) Department at NEIT welcomes a new member to the family. “Spot”, an agile mobile robot, was developed by Boston Dynamics, the global leader in the industry. Spot was acquired through a generous grant to New England Tech from the Champlin Foundation.

Spot will be utilized in several ERD courses in NEIT’s Associate in Science degree program in Electronics, Robotics and Drones Technology. This amazing robot will be joining department drones on several projects such as search and rescue missions. Spot utilizes several external systems to greatly enhance its capabilities. NEIT students and faculty can control Spot utilizing an intuitive tablet via Wi-Fi to conduct several tasks including carrying payloads up to 14kg and repeating autonomous missions to gather consistent data.

Spot can navigate challenging terrain with unprec-

edented mobility allowing users to automate routine inspection tasks and capture data safely, accurately, and frequently. Spot is used in several industries that include construction, power utilities, manufacturing, and public safety.

New England Tech ERD students are acquiring the latest technical skills required in today’s ever-changing world of robotics. For more information on NEIT’s Electronics, Robotics and Drones Technology program, contact NEIT’s Admissions Office at 800-736-7744 or by email at [admissions@neit.edu](mailto:admissions@neit.edu). For complete program details, please visit <https://www.neit.edu/academics/associate-degrees/electronics-robotics-drones-technology-as/>

**Adjusting “Spot” are, l-r, Nicholas Valletta, Bob Comerford, ERD Lab Tech/Instructor; Lucas Sutton, and Justin Walsh all ERD Term 6 students.**



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**Stop by and visit the Student Activities Suite on the EG Campus, S119-S120B.**

## SOME PAST EVENTS:

# Student Activities

**Meet new people! Learn new things!**

**For information about any of these activities or events, please contact:**  
Melissa Hague, Student Activities Director, at 739-5000 ext. 3565, or email [mhague@neit.edu](mailto:mhague@neit.edu), or Megan Driscoll, Student Activities Coordinator, at 739-5000 ext. 3418, or email [mdriscoll@neit.edu](mailto:mdriscoll@neit.edu).

**Check your NEIT student email and the Student Website’s online calendar for Student Activities announcements.**



### INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

Students competed in an intramural basketball league!



### DREAM CATCHERS NIGHT

Our talented students creating their own dream catchers.



### PET THERAPY

Students de-stress by petting some puppies!



### CUPCAKE DECORATING

Sweet treats for all students!



### PAINT NIGHT FREE-STYLE

Brush out your creativity!



### TERRARIUMS

Students create their own terrariums with air plants!

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Model Car Night • Karaoke Night
- Trivia and Wings • Pet Therapy • Bingo

For more information on the upcoming events above, please contact Megan Driscoll, Student Activities Coordinator, [mdriscoll@neit.edu](mailto:mdriscoll@neit.edu) or check the NEIT Student Website.



### HOT CHOCOLATE

The Student Activities team welcomed back all resident students with hot chocolate.

## JOIN OUR ESPORTS LEAGUES!

League of Legends on Tuesdays at 6pm and Super Smash Bros. on Wednesdays at 6pm.

**Are you interested in starting a new club on campus?**

Contact Melissa Hague, Student Activities Director, [mhague@neit.edu](mailto:mhague@neit.edu)

## AutoCAD Training at New England Tech

NEIT’s Center for Technology and Industry is offering a training program in Autodesk AutoCAD 2021 Fundamentals beginning in March 2022. New England Tech is the only Authorized Autodesk Training Center in Rhode Island and has provided a variety of informative classes since 1985. The AutoCAD 2021 Fundamentals training program includes 32 hours of training. Participants will gain an understanding of the AutoCAD workspace and user interface utilizing basic drawing, editing, and

viewing tools. Upon completion of the program, participants will be proficient in creating a basic 2D drawing, organizing drawing objects on layers, adding text and basic dimensions, and preparing to plot. To register for this training program or to obtain a detailed course outline, please contact Douglas Leigh, NEIT’s Training and Workforce Development Manager, at 401-739-5000 ext. 3355 or by email at [dleigh@neit.edu](mailto:dleigh@neit.edu)