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Stockton has “a very unique General Studies program. It’s very forward thinking and progressive,” she pointed out. “General Studies incorporates interdisciplinary approaches to education and problem solving. You’re really teaching students how to look at problems from different points of view, and that more than anything, is what students need to compete in today’s world.”

Vermeulen understands that universities need to provide education that will lead to jobs as well as a broader and deeper education that values other viewpoints, utilizes critical thinking and

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"I went back to my campus and in the fall, somebody contacted me and said they had an opening for a dean at West Chester University and 'you should try it,'" she said. Her admiration for Adler, coupled with her family's desire to move back to Pennsylvania, inspired her to apply.

She loved being a dean, which she considers one of the best jobs in higher education. "It's

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Fun facts about Stockton's new provost:

After taking some creative writing courses online, she is writing a novel for fun. "I like novels about ordinary people where unusual things happen, and they end up doing extraordinary things. It's about their journey." Among her favorite authors are Richard Russo and Anne Tyler.

She's training for a marathon, having run three half-marathons. "After the first one, I