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A NEWSPAPER FOR THE PART-TIME STUDIES COMMUNITY

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Weekend Seminars. The Psychology Department offers one credit seminars on various topics which meet on the weekends and can be applied toward graduation credits. The seminars meet on a Friday night from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. and on a Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and are offered in the summer and fall terms only. They are graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory and are used as free electives. You may select three different topics to equate to one course and may use this option once in your degree program. You can take the three separate seminars over any period of time and do not have to take them all in one semester or summer.

• **Sample topics include:**

- Memory Improvement
- Career Development
- Managing Change
- Time Management
- Interpersonal Communication
- Motivation
- Stress Management
- Enhancing One's Mental Health
- Leadership

• In the Master Schedule for Fall, look for these listed in the Undergraduate Evening Courses section under Psychology, PSY 3005. *This fall, the seminars will be held on the weekends of 9/24-25, 10/1-2, 10/29-30, 11/5-6, 11/12-13.*

• In the Summer Sessions catalog, look for them under the Psychology listings, PSY 3005. V

ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS!

If you expect to receive your degree within the next year, you are required to make official application for doing so no later than November 1 for May completion, April 1 for September completion, and August 1 for December completion. A "prospective graduate card" can be obtained in the Part-Time Studies Office, Room 107 Vasey Hall or online at http://www.parttime.villanova.edu/student-services/forms_graduation.htm.

Your academic advisor will review your record and verify that you have completed all the requirements for graduation. This is an extremely important procedure. By submitting this card, you will be listed on the prospective graduate list, your degree will get officially posted, and your diploma will be ordered. V

FOCUS ON: BIS INFORMATION SESSION

On June 15, 2004, PTS hosted a very successful Information Session for prospective new students considering the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies program. Participants enjoyed refreshments in Bartley Hall's Holy Grounds Café and then converged in Bartley's Amphitheatre for a general overview of the program. This was followed by individual sessions on each of the three program majors: General Studies, Information Sessions and Leadership Studies.



Highlights of the evening included the testimonials given by three current BIS students: Miranda O'Keefe, Andrew Burling and Richard Cullen. Their straight-forward, sincere remarks about their individual personal experiences, how they arrived at Villanova and their high level of satisfaction with the BIS degree made an indelible impression on the audience.

Miranda O'Keefe counsels prospective students



Focus Group Session

PTS would also like to express appreciation to Sue Metzger, Program Director for the BIS/Information Systems, Dr. Robert Stokes, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs for Part-Time and Continuing Studies, and Lynn and Donna Brooks of Brooks International for their contributions to the evening's success. V

MAY 2004 GRADUATES

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

We are proud to announce that the following PTS students have graduated as of May, 2004.

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| Theresa DiMartino | Associate of Arts |
| Margaret M. Medvedik-Beasley | Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies, General Studies |
| Eboni Maisha Dandridge | Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts |
| Sharon Discher | Bachelor of Arts, Human Services |
| Tara Lynn D'Orazio | Bachelor of Science, Business Administration |
| David J. Fillippo | Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts |
| Marikay Geib | Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts |
| Charles W. Hoffman | Bachelor of Science, Business Administration |
| Matthew B. Keeley | Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies, General Studies |
| Trey J. Knol | Bachelor of Science, Computer Science |
| Michael Lo Sasso | Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts |
| Nancy Romanczuk | Bachelor of Science, Accountancy |
| John R. Stauffer | Bachelor of Science, Computer Science |
| Katy Monica Sgrue | Bachelor of Arts, Communication |

NEWS FROM YOUR UNIVERSITY SENATE REPRESENTATIVE

www.unisenate.villanova.edu



I am currently a senior in the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies degree with a General Studies major and I am very pleased to return as the Part-Time Studies University Senate Representative.

I'm looking forward to an interesting and productive year as well as sharing all the Senate developments with my fellow PTS students.

I would like to extend my thanks to Christine Geary-Lyons for her outstanding contribution last year as our Senate representative and wish her all the best as she combines parenthood with finishing her degree at Villanova.

I'd like to remind everyone that the Part-Time Studies Student Advisory Group will meet in the fall and spring for supper and a look at the issues that matter to PTS students. Please call the Part-Time Studies Office at 610-519-4300 if you would like to participate or find out more about it.

Have a great fall semester and I'll have the latest Senate news for everyone in the January 2005 issue of *NiteLine*.

Richard Cullen



WITHDRAWAL FROM A COURSE

Although we anticipate your completing each course for which you register, the University understands that at some time you may need to withdraw from a class for family, business, health, or personal reasons. If you are unable to complete a course, you must fill out the withdrawal (WX) form(s) in the PTS office. Discontinuing class attendance or notifying an instructor is not sufficient, nor is a phone call acceptable. This must be done in person, by letter, or by fax. If you leave class without officially withdrawing you will continue to incur absences and will receive the final grade of Y (unauthorized withdrawal) which is calculated as an F in your grade point average. Please be aware that obtaining a WX does not necessarily mean that you receive a tuition refund. **ONCE CLASSES HAVE BEGUN, STUDENTS ARE LIABLE FOR ALL OR PART OF THE TUITION CHARGES, depending on the date of withdrawal.**



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL 2004 SEMESTER

Aug. 18 & Aug. 19	Walk-in Registration for Evening and Saturday Classes, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Aug. 25	CLASSES BEGIN
Aug. 26	Thursday FastForward 1 Classes Begin
Aug. 28	Saturday FastForward 1 Classes Begin
Aug. 31	Last Day for Drop/Add and Requesting Pass/Fail
Sept. 6	Labor Day - NO CLASSES
Sept. 9	St. Thomas of Villanova Day
Oct. 7	Thursday FastForward 1 Ends
Oct. 8	Mid-Term
Oct. 11	Semester Recess
Oct. 16	Saturday FastForward 1 Ends
Oct. 18	Classes Resume
Oct. 21	Thursday FastForward 2 Begins
Oct. 23	Saturday FastForward 2 Begins
Oct. 29	Registration Begins for Spring 2005
Nov. 10	Last Day for Authorized Withdrawal Without Academic Penalty (WX)
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Recess Begins After Class
Nov. 29	Classes Resume
Dec. 9	Thursday FastForward 2 Ends
Dec. 11	Saturday FastForward 2 Ends
Dec. 13	Final Day of Classes
Dec. 14	Reading Day
Dec. 15-21	Final Examinations (No examinations on Sunday)

SPRING 2005 SEMESTER

Jan. 13	Walk-in Registration for Evening and Saturday Classes, 5-8:00 p.m.
Jan. 18	CLASSES BEGIN
Jan. 21	Last Day for Drop/Add and Requesting Pass/Fail
March 4	Mid-Term
March 7	Semester Recess
March 14	Classes Resume
March 23	Easter Recess Begins After Class
March 29	Classes Resume
March 30	Fall 2005 Course Registration Begins
April 8	Last Day for Authorized Withdrawal (WX)
May 5	Final Day of Classes
May 6	Reading Day
May 7-13	Final Examinations
May 21-22	Baccalaureate and Commencement

FALL 2004 FASTFORWARD 2 CLASSES

These classes meet for seven weeks. Each class meets for 3 1/2 hours and is supplemented with on-line instruction between each class session.

FastForward courses help our working adult students to complete their degrees more quickly. In just seven weeks you can complete a course that normally takes a full semester. You meet on campus every Saturday or Thursday for 3 1/2 hours, then receive instruction via computer during the week. So whether you work days or nights, have family obligations, or have to be traveling on business for a few weeks, you can still move forward in your degree program.

FastForward 2 Saturday meets October 23 - December 11

FastForward 2 Thursday meets October 21 - December 9

24021	ENG 2700-100	Studies in Literature	R	6:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m.	Boerner
25387	PSY 1000-101	General Psychology	R	6:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m.	Campbell
24069	THL 4400-101	Christian Marriage	S	8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon	Groch

There is no Saturday class on November 27

There is no Thursday class on November 25

NOTEWORTHY

Dr. Connie Titone, Dr. Robert Styer, Dr. Douglas Norton, & Dr. John Durnin, Education & Human Services/Math, *Math Science Partnership of Greater Philadelphia (MSPGP)*, LaSalle/NSF, \$41,382. This extraordinary partnership involving 46 school districts in Southeastern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey, as well as 13 colleges and universities, will be the largest project of its kind in the region. It will support improvement in secondary math and secondary education (grades 6-12) for over 100,000 students. In addition, the project will focus on improving the quantity, quality and diversity of secondary pre-service students in mathematics and science. The total award for this project is \$12.5 million over a 5 year period. Villanova's share will be \$153,646.

Dean Barry Johnson, Dr. Moeness Amin, Dr. Amy Fleischer and Dr. Randy Weinstein, Center for Advanced Communication/Engineering, *Partnership for Broadband Wireless Innovations, Development, and Commercialization*, NSF, \$214,664. The Partnership is designed to create and disseminate new knowledge, to prepare a technologically capable workforce, and to develop the entrepreneurial community and infrastructure for progress in innovations by this knowledgeable workforce.

Ryan McMaster, who spent the past two years as an intern at FPRI, has received a Fulbright grant under the State Department's Islamic Civilization initiative to conduct research for the 2004-2005 academic year in Amman, Jordan. He is a 2004 Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Villanova University with a degree in Political Science.

The Villanova Conference Center voted the best. In a recent poll, "The Best of Everything on the Main Line" the readers of *Main Line Life*, a weekly newspaper, were polled about their opinions of the Main Line's conference centers. The Villanova Conference Center was selected by the readers as their choice for the best conference center on the Main Line. *Main Line Life* conducted its "Best of Everything Poll" over the course of a four-week period. (By Caitlin Collins '05, *Blueprints*, May 2004) V

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PART-TIME STUDIES



Each fall brings a renewed sense of anticipation with the start of a new school year. Whether a student, faculty or staff member at Villanova there is a level of excitement as we commence another year of learning together.

Our office, the Office of Part-Time Studies, and our staff are here to assist you, the Villanova part-time student, with your program of study and to provide the administrative support needed to ensure your experience at Villanova is a satisfying one. We are located in room 107 Vasey Hall and can be reached at (610) 519-4300, 4301 or 4343.

This past summer our part-time website at www.parttime.villanova.edu has undergone many changes to give it a new look and provide increased functionality for our current and prospective students. There is an online orientation to Villanova for adult students, a guided tour of Villanova's campus and videos by staff members from many university departments explaining the function of their office. Additionally, many student forms have been added to the website to facilitate student access to these forms without coming to our office.

As you navigate our website, we would appreciate your feedback and comments. Is there something we can add, or change or present in a manner that is more "user friendly?" Let us know.

A sincere welcome to our new adult students and a warm welcome back to our continuing students for fall 2004. I wish you a successful semester as you pursue your educational goals at Villanova.

James R. Johnson V

BIS/LEADERSHIP STUDIES MAJOR MOVES FORWARD

It appears that the next major in the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies degree program is on track for a Fall 2005 launch. This major has generated a great deal of interest from both prospective and current PTS students. A meeting of the Leadership Studies Advisory Council took place on June 15, 2004. Representing Villanova were: Gary Bonas (Continuing Studies), James Johnson, Suzanne Allen, Sue Metzger, Linda Pugliese, Robert Stokes, Kathy Byrnes (Student Life), Deepa Awal (Commerce and Finance), John Kelley (OPTIR), Craig Wheeland (Political Science and Public Administration) and John Cook (Commerce and Finance). Welcome guests from outside the University included Donna and Lynn Brooks of Brooks International, Perry Martini of Academy Leadership and Kathy Howell from Howell Partners.

After welcome and introductions, a detailed overview of the BIS degree and majors (General Studies, Information Systems and Leadership Studies) was presented. The discussion then turned to the specific tasks to be completed prior to the planned Fall 2005 launch, including curriculum development. Examples of leadership program curricula from Chapman College, University of Richmond and Duquesne University were critiqued.

Lynn and Donna Brooks suggest that recent leadership research identifies several key issues as most important for leaders to address, at least in the corporate arena. These include globalization, rapid scientific and social change, advances in technology (in knowledge management, for example) and growing diversity in the workforce, clients, strategic partners, and the community. These issues will be successfully addressed by the leader's ability to:

- Apply analytical skills to sort through large amounts of information to focus on key points
- Understand/influence/persuade a highly diverse group of internal and external stakeholders
- Lead in an environment that spans global cultures
- Exhibit a high level of personal adaptability to learn from experience and adjust course as needed
- Lead ethically
- Recognize how political and social issues interact with one's organization
- Recognize political and social interplay with one's organization
- Quickly solve complex problems and perceive relationships among multiple, disparate issues
- Operate in highly ambiguous environments


Please continue to check our website at www.parttime.villanova.edu and future issues of NiteLine for the latest developments. V

FYI: MORE ON ASL

Many adult students achieve stellar academic records. But even those with 4.0 grade point averages may not be invited to join traditional academic honor societies. And none of the traditional honor societies include adults attending school part-time, or allow credits earned for prior learning assessment to be considered. Alpha Sigma Lambda is the oldest and largest of the three adult honoraries. The others are Pinnacle and Omicron-Psi. ASL, unlike the other two adult honor societies, does not require outside activities or community service as criterion for membership—scholarship remains the primary emphasis.

This year, Alpha Sigma Lambda will award eight \$1,000 scholarships to adult learners. The money comes through the Alpha Sigma Lambda Foundation established by ASL in 1983. Applicants must:

- Attend an institution with ASL and be nominated by the chapter. Nominees do not have to be ASL members.
- Be age 22 or older.
- Be matriculated in a bachelor's or associate's degree program. (Graduate students are not eligible.)
- Have completed 30 semester hours at the end of the fall semester at the institution presently enrolled.
- Have a GPA of at least 3.4 on a scale of 4.0.
- Need undergraduate degree assistance of at least the face amount of the scholarship.
- Complete the official application and have it in the national office by the deadline.

Applications are available in the Office of Part-Time Studies, Vasey Hall, 107. For more information, visit ASL's website at www.alphasigmalambda.org. 



Congratulations to our new ASL inductees!

ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA AND MEDALLION AWARDS

On April 30, 2004 a dinner and awards ceremony were held on campus to recognize and induct Part-Time Studies students into Alpha Sigma Lambda, the national honor society for adult students in higher education. Alpha Sigma Lambda is dedicated to the advancement of scholarship and recognizes high scholastic achievement in an adult student's career. By so doing, it encourages many students to continue toward and earn their baccalaureate degrees. Also presented that evening were the Medallion Awards to those PTS students who have achieved the highest cumulative average in their respective academic disciplines. Dr. Stephen A. Stumpf of the College of Commerce and Finance was also inducted as an honorary member. *Mu* Chapter, the Villanova University Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society, was installed at Villanova on February 6, 1958. This year marks the forty-sixth anniversary of that installation.


The new inductees into ASL:

Karen L. Alfonsi
 Colleen M. Boyce
 John J. Brady
 Christian B. Breyer
 Michael Lo Sasso
 Molly J. McGuire
 Sean R. McNamara
 Amanda L. Naugle
 Nancy M. Pecora
 Paul D. Roman
 Kane Snyder
 Karen A. Strawhacker
 Kevin R. Whomsley

Medallion Recipients:

David J. Fillippo
 Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts

Nancy A. Romanczuk
 Bachelor of Science, Accountancy

Christian B. Breyer
 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration 



Medallion Winners Christian B. Breyer, Nancy A. Romanczuk, David J. Fillippo smile for the camera



Molly McGuire and family celebrate



Guests enjoy the cocktail reception before dinner

THE E-COLUMN

Check out our new, improved PTS website at www.parttime.villanova.edu. We think the site is easier to navigate, more interactive and more functional. It also now offers an array of multi-media applications including personal video messages from key campus personnel and a 100% on-line orientation for new PTS students. Please browse and feel free to give us your feedback via e-mail, telephone or just stop by Vasey Hall!

Data Bytes. A recent study released by the Education Commission of the States found that adults over the age of 25 now account for nearly half of the more than 17 million students enrolled in U.S. colleges. Changing workforce needs and economic conditions are projected to drive up the demand for college access among adults, which is currently projected to increase by 13 percent by 2015.

E-Learning at Villanova. Technology is an integral part of the modern educational experience. The concept of E-Learning is continually evolving as technology changes. E-Learning is defined as using technology to foster the educational experience both in the traditional classroom and through on-line course delivery. Here at Villanova, E-Learning encompasses many technologies such as the course management features in WebCT, streaming video, chatrooms and narrated course content. Villanova offers a variety of courses using E-Learning technologies.

User ID's. User-ID's are assigned to students prior to their arrival on campus and provide access to email, the Web, and other student-designated computing resources. All students have a default Web page created for them for their personal use, and a personalized portal gives them access to course schedules, course-related materials, and e-learning tools. It also allows students to perform most administrative functions, such as registration or grade-lookup on the Web.

User Support Services. The Computer Support Center (CSC), located in Vasey Hall, assists students with University-promoted laptop computers and other PC's. Technical support is complemented by Web-based documentation. The use of the University owned/managed computing, information, and network resources is governed by policies included in the Student Handbook and accessible on the University's Web site. In addition to the CSC, UNIT operates the University Help Desk, located in Vasey Hall, and provides technical support and service from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily, during the fall and spring semesters, and extended hours support for critical systems until 2 a.m. V

WEB ADDRESSES FOR CAMPUS INFORMATION

Villanova University	www.villanova.edu
Academic Calendar	www.registrar.villanova.edu/calmain.htm
Bursar's Office	www.bursar.villanova.edu
Career Services	careers.villanova.edu
Counseling Center	www.studentlife.villanova.edu/counselingcenter
Dining Services	www.villanova.edu/-dinserv/alacarte.htm
Falvey Memorial Library	www.library.villanova.edu
Financial Assistance	www.finaid.villanova.edu
Master Schedule	https://novasis.villanova.edu (can also be accessed through Registrar's page)
NOVASIS	www.registrar.villanova.edu/novasis.htm
Parking	http://publicsafety.villanova.edu/index.html
Part Time Studies	www.parttime.villanova.edu
Public Safety	http://publicsafety.villanova.edu/index.html
Registrar	www.registrar.villanova.edu
Summer Session	www.parttime.villanova.edu/docs/summer.html
UNIT	(University Information Technology) www.unit.villanova.edu
University Shop	ushop.villanova.edu
WildCard	www.unit.villanova.edu/wildcard V

WEB SITES OF INTEREST.

Villanova Homepage: www.villanova.edu. From here, you can: access "My Classrooms" (to see student pictures and e-mail addresses, e-mail distribution list for each class, newsgroups for each class), access NOVASIS to obtain class/student information, check your email from home or any remote location, change your LDAP password (for e-mail, VU homepage login, editing your web page, etc.), view "News & Events" and forward Villanova e-mail to another account.

Health Related Science Advisor: www.healthprofessions.villanova.edu. The Office of the Health Related Science Advisor is located in Room 151 in the Mendel Science Center. Dr. John Friede provides information to all students interested in the health professions, such as course requirements, standardized tests and the application process. You should check with him as soon as possible to learn what courses you must take and to discuss when they should be taken. It is the student's responsibility to make certain that all requirements are met in a timely manner. The office also provides letters of evaluation for students applying to some of the health professions programs, especially medical school and dental school. It is a good idea to meet with Dr. Friede to discuss this process as well. Informal meetings and presentations by local admissions representatives are held throughout the year. The schedule is subject to change, so check it often. V

VILLANOVA THEATRE 2004-2005 SEASON

Art

October 5 -17, 2004

By Yasmina Reza

Translated by Christopher Hampton

Directed by Harriet Power

The Visit

November 9 -12, 2004

By Friedrich Durrenmatt

Adapted by Maurice Valency

Directed by Jonathan Carr

Twelfth Night or, What You Will

February 15 - 27, 2005

By William Shakespeare

Directed by James J. Christy

Big River

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

April 5 - 24, 2005

Music & Lyrics by Roger Miller

Book by William Hauptman

Adapted from the novel by Mark Twain


Directed by Peter M. Donohue, O.S.A.

For more information, please call the Villanova Theatre Box Office at 610-519-7474 or visit the Villanova Theatre website at www.theatre.villanova.edu. V


ACADEMIC ADVISORS FOR PART-TIME STUDIES

Every Part-Time Studies student is assigned an academic advisor with whom you should confer during each registration period and at any time during which you may have a concern or question about your academic direction and progress.

Accountancy	Dr. Wayne Bremser (day) Mr. J. Johnson and Ms. S. Allen (day/evening)	610-519-4314 610-519-4300	Bartley 2067 Vasey 107
Business Administration	Dr. Walter Tymon (day) Mr. J. Johnson and Ms. S. Allen (day/evening)	610-519-4363 610-519-4300	Bartley 2081 Vasey 107
Communication	Dr. Bryan Crable	610-519-4750	SAC 203
Computer Science	Dr. John Matulis Dr. Georgi Japaridze	610-519-4838 610-519-7332	Mendel 234A Mendel 165A
Education, Teacher Certification	Dr. Connie Titone	610-519-4620	SAC 302D
English, History, Liberal Arts	Mr. J. Johnson and Ms. S. Allen	610-519-4300	Vasey 107
Human Services	Dr. Beverly Kahn	610-519-4551	SAC 363
Associate of Arts, Non-Matriculated, Postgraduates, Visiting Students	Mr. J. Johnson and Ms. S. Allen	610-519-4300	Vasey 107
Accountancy and Business Administration Certificates	Ms. S. Allen	610-519-4300	Vasey 107

Academic Advisors are available by appointment during the day and evening. You may make appointments for office visits or for telephone advising. 

GRADUATE AND PART-TIME STUDIES OPEN HOUSE

October 19, 2004. (Connelly Center, 3:30 to 7:30 P.M.) Attend our Open House for graduate and Part-Time undergraduate programs! This is a useful, information gathering experience for students who are still working on their undergraduate degrees, and/or contemplating a graduate program of study. Get in-depth information on our graduate programs in liberal arts and sciences, business, engineering, law, nursing and part-time undergraduate programs and professional development opportunities at Villanova. You can also attend our free seminars at the open house which range from graduate school testing and the enrollment process, career planning and decision making, and financing your Villanova education. 

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