

A Glimpse of Villanova

THE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1842 by the priests and brothers of the Order of St. Augustine, Villanova University is a comprehensive Roman Catholic institution that welcomes students of all faiths. The University offers a wide variety of degree programs through four colleges: the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Commerce and Finance, the College of Engineering and the College of Nursing.

A SOLID ACADEMIC REPUTATION

The oldest and largest Catholic university in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Villanova is one of 255 institutions — and one of 18 Catholic colleges and universities — in the nation to have a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the prestigious national liberal arts honors society. Recently, U.S. News & World Report ranked Villanova first in the North for the 12th time.

THE STUDENTS

Today Villanova University maintains an average annual enrollment of 10,275 including graduate and law school and part-time undergraduate programs. The full-time undergraduate enrollment is 6,295. The undergraduates come from 48 states plus Puerto Rico and 52 foreign countries. Ninety-two percent of our first-year students ranked in the top 30 of their high school classes.

THE FACULTY

Villanova's 490 full-time faculty, 90 percent of whom hold the highest degree in their field, teach classes that average 23 students. The student/faculty ratio is 12:1.

THE CAMPUS

Located in a suburban community 12 miles west of Philadelphia, the picturesque 254-acre campus features more than 60 buildings, including a library with more than 800,000 volumes and over a million microform items, a 12,000-seat stadium, and 27 residence halls.

THE EXPERIENCE

Villanova students may choose to study abroad for a summer, a semester, or a year; compete on one or more of 11 men's and 13 women's sports teams at the NCAA Division I level (football is Division I-AA); immerse themselves in Campus Ministry; and take part in any of more than 130 registered student organizations.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

In 2001-2002, Villanova offered more than \$4.8 million in merit-based academic scholarships to prospective freshmen. Villanova also offered over \$17 million in need-based financial aid to prospective freshmen through the Villanova Grant Program. This funding is provided by the University and does not include federal, state, and/or private assistance, which our students also receive.

ACCREDITATION

Villanova and its programs have received accreditation from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the AACSB/International Association for Management Education, the American Chemical Society, the American Bar Association, the Association of American Law Schools, the Pennsylvania State Board of Nurse Examiners, the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission, the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, the National Catholic Education Association, and the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board. Villanova is a member in good standing of the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

ALUMNI

Villanova's 77,000+ living alumni maintain close ties with the University through a large network of alumni chapters and societies which may be found throughout the U.S. and abroad.

ENROLLMENT

Admission to Villanova is very competitive. If you have a strong academic background and a wide range of interests, and if you're motivated to contribute to the intellectual and spiritual environment of our University community, then we encourage you to apply.

CLASS OF 2005 ADMISSION STATISTICS

Freshman applications received: 10,290 • Targeted freshman class size: 1,590 • Percentage of accepted freshman applicants who ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school class (where rank is given): 59 • Percentage of accepted freshman applicants who ranked in the top 20 percent of their high school class: 83 • Percentage of accepted freshman applicants who ranked in the top 30 percent of their high school class: 92 • The middle 50 percent range of SAT I scores for the typical accepted applicant was 1220-1350 • The GPA range for the typical accepted applicant: 3.55-4.0.

OF THOSE WHO APPLIED

56 percent from public schools • 44 percent from private schools • 47 percent are men • 53 percent are women • 14 percent of freshmen have alumni/alumnae affiliation.

Getting to Villanova

FROM NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND: Take the New Jersey Turnpike to EXIT 6 (Pennsylvania Turnpike exit). Follow the Pennsylvania Turnpike Westbound to EXIT 20 (formerly Exit 25A) for Mid-County Interchange/I-476 Interchange. Follow I-476 South to EXIT 13 (Villanova/St. David's). At the bottom of the ramp turn right onto Route 30, also known as Lancaster Avenue. Proceed East on Route 30 (Lancaster Avenue) for one-half mile and at the fourth parking lot you will see Villanova's main parking lot on the right. To reach the Main Gate entrance turn left at the next light (Ithan Avenue) and follow to the second drive on left, directly across from the Pavilion.

FROM THE WEST: Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike to EXIT 326 (formerly EXIT 24) for Valley Forge. Take I-76 (Schuylkill Expressway) to EXIT 28-A (I-476 South/Chester). Take I-476 South to EXIT 13 (Villanova/ St. David's). At the bottom of the ramp turn right onto Route 30 East, also known as Lancaster Avenue. Proceed East on Route 30 (Lancaster Avenue) for one-half mile and at the fourth traffic light you will see Villanova's main parking lot on the right. To reach the Main Gate entrance turn left at the next light (Ithan Avenue) and follow to the second drive on left, directly across from the Pavilion.

FROM THE SOUTH: Take I-95 North to EXIT 7 (I-476 North/Plymouth Meeting). Take I-476 North to EXIT 13 (Villanova/St. David's). Proceed East on Route 30 (Lancaster Avenue) for one-half mile and at the fourth traffic light you will see Villanova's main parking lot on the right. To reach the Main Gate entrance turn left at the next light (Ithan Avenue) and follow to the second drive on left, directly across from the Pavilion.