## History and Objectives

In May 2014, Villanova University created the College of Professional Studies (CPS)—the first new College at the University in 50 years. The degrees and professional education (non-credit) courses and certificate programs delivered by the College of Professional Studies are offered at Villanova University, an institution that is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 (via phone: 267-284-5000). Please note that the Commission accreditation does not imply specialized accreditation of the programs offered.

The Dean of CPS reports to the University Provost, who in turn reports to the President. For a list of the Executive Council, Officers of the University and Deans, please visit the Office of the President's website: <u>http://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/president/about\_university/leadership.html</u>. On this site, the University Trustees are listed: <u>http://www1.villanova.edu/villanova.edu/villanova/president/about\_university/trustees.html</u>.

CPS provides academically rigorous undergraduate degree and certificate programming, as well as professional (non-credit) education for the adult learner and working professional. These programs are offered online, on-campus, off-campus at various sites and at corporate, governmental and non-profit organizations.

CPS continues Villanova's century-old tradition of service to adult learners and complements Villanova's breadth of academic offerings by providing innovative programs with flexible delivery options. It houses and continues to advance the curricula of the University's professional studies programs. CPS is housed in Vasey and Aldwyn Halls on Villanova University's campus in Villanova, Pennsylvania.