Flexible Enrollment Options

The College of Professional Studies offers flexible pathways designed to help adult students achieve their academic goals while balancing life's responsibilities. Courses are delivered via in-person, online or hybrid modalities. In addition, various course lengths are offered including full semester, seven weeks (fast forward), and weekend.

Full Semester Courses

Courses that run the full semester follow the Undergraduate Academic Calendar dates and deadlines found on the Provost's website: https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/provost.html.

Fast Forward Courses

Fast Forward courses are designed to help adult students accelerate their path toward graduation. These courses are restricted to CPS students only and are scheduled as two-seven-week sessions throughout the fall and spring semesters. The session's start and end dates coincide with the Villanova University Academic Calendar and are listed on the CPS website: https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/professionalstudies/Course Schedules/calendar.html.

Schedule and Time Sequence

Fast Forward courses* are held in person on weekday evenings, or offered online as distance learning. On campus courses are designed with 1,470 minutes of in person class time and an additional 780 minutes of required instructional equivalent online activities and assignments for a total of 2,250 minutes or 37.5 hours per course.

Fully online courses also meet for the equivalent of 2,250 minutes using a combination of live instruction time (1-2 hours per week) and instructional equivalent activities.

Weekend Courses*:

Courses offered over a weekend meet on Friday evening for 3 hours, a full day on Saturday (8 hours) and Sunday morning (3 hours). These courses require additional pre and post meeting reading and assignments.

*Specific attendance and drop/add policies apply, please refer to the Attendance Policy and Drop, Add, Withdrawal and Refund Policies for more information.