

April 2016

Greetings Friends,

Everyone at Villanova is returning to earth after visiting "Cloud 9" with the Wildcats' historic run to the NCAA Championship. As we gear up for the remainder of the semester we have even more to be excited about. Upcoming events include the Dean's Awards Dinner at which we recognize our seniors' academic achievements and meritorious service; the Sigma Xi Research Symposium, where both undergraduate and graduate engineering students present their impressive research; and the Villanova Student Entrepreneurship Competition, in which our engineering students consistently make a strong showing. And, though it's hard to believe, commencement is just a month away---May 14.

Plan a visit to campus and join us for one of these spring events!

Regards,

Gary A. Gabriele, PhD
Drosdick Endowed Dean of Engineering

#### **FEATURE STORIES**



A Gates-Cambridge Scholar, NROTC standout, Top 20 alumnus, Innovation Fellow, and impressive student-athletes. Read all about them in **Students & Alumni News**.



Dean Gary Gabriele published his second op-ed in *U.S. News & World Report*: "Curiosity Is Common Force Behind 'Mythbusters,' STEM and the Entrepreneurial Mindset."



The College has added to its website **A Commitment to Women in Engineering**," featuring a timeline of Villanova
Women in Engineering and Women's History Month profiles on
eight exceptional alumnae.

#### **MORE COE NEWS**

Dean's Awards Dinner celebrates seniors' achievements

Dr. Randy Weinstein wins national award for engineering education article

Sustainability studies grow in popularity

Dr. Rob Traver to receive coveted faculty research award; presents related research

College viewbook earns accolades

#### **CLASS NOTES**

### Send us your updates!

#### **Instagram Takeovers!**

Did you know that each week, Villanova Engineering students take over the College's Instagram page, sharing pictures from their life on campus, in the classroom and at events? Would you be interested in taking the reins for a week this summer, posting snapshots from your life and career? If so, send us an email!



John Paget '09 CE, Professor and Civil & Environmental Engineering
Department Chair Dr. David Dinehart, and Mike Mejaki '10 CE at the Hudson
Yards project in NYC. Paget and Mejaki work for Tutor Perini.

#### **COLLEGE CALENDAR**

Except where noted, all events are free and open to the public.

4/14 Dean's Awards Dinner (invitation only)

4/19 2016 Outstanding Faculty Research Award Lecture featuring Robert Traver, PhD

4/20 Symposium: 2016 Benjamin Franklin Medalist in Electrical Engineering, Dr. Solomon Golomb

4/24 Walk for Water

4/25 Pitch Day

### 5/13 Commencement

# 5/14 Engineering Convocation Ceremony

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