

Welcome from the Dean

Hello and welcome to the Business & Technology (B&T) Division! I encourage you to explore our websites to learn more about our many degree and certificate programs, the faculty who teach in those programs, and the staff who support and lead the division.

I am proud to serve as the dean of the B&T division, as we all work to create the best opportunities for students to not only meet their most immediate goals, but thrive throughout their future careers. We work to help students build a strong foundation that will serve them now, as well as in the long-term as our graduates continue to learn, grow, and set new goals for their careers...and their lives.

My education and career paths have included both business and computer technology areas. I started my undergraduate education at one school, quit, and later finished my degree at George Mason University in a bachelor completion program while working. I then went on to earn my MBA from the University of Maryland and a PhD in Business Administration from Florida State University. In my doctoral program I studied both business and technology with a primary concentration in Management Information Systems.

My first job in my career field, prior to receiving my bachelor's degree, was as a Contracts Assistant. I worked my way up to positions as a specialist, manager, and then assistant director before heading back to school full-time to earn my MBA. While an MBA student, I also spent a year working as a co-op Compliance Specialist in the HR department of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in Washington, DC. I currently hold professional certifications in the areas of human resources, information systems auditing, and project management.

I've served as faculty, teaching and conducting research, at a number of institutions, including: University of Oklahoma, Florida State University, and North Carolina A&T State University. But while teaching at those institutions, my favorite job remained my first teaching job at Northern Virginia Community College. So, when I decided to look for a job closer to my hometown (Yardley, PA), I was thrilled to have the opportunity to join the faculty and staff at Community College of Philadelphia.

As you can see from my academic and professional career, I did not follow a "traditional" path, and there were lots of twists and turns (and obstacles!) along the way. But I kept focused on what I wanted, knew that education would help me get there, and worked hard to make it happen. And that's why I think Community College of Philadelphia is a great place for so many people.

Whether you are looking to start or change careers, transfer to a 4-year institution, increase your promotion potential in a current career, expand or update your skill set, gain continuing education credit, or just want to learn something new...there are affordable, high-quality opportunities here at CCP.

We welcome you to consider all we have to offer in the B&T division!

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