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# ***News Release***

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## **Villanova University Offers Web-based Six Sigma Green Belt and Black Belt Programs Through University Alliance Online** *In-Demand Business Training Now Available via the Internet!*

TAMPA, FL — Bisk Education’s University Alliance Online division, America’s largest exclusive provider of multimedia online degree and certificate programs from regionally accredited universities, today announced it would offer online two Six Sigma certificate programs through an alliance with Villanova University, widely recognized as one of the country’s leading institutions of higher learning.

The two programs are: Green Belt, designed for managers new to Six Sigma who want to discover how Six Sigma strategies and tactics fit into a larger management system and how to apply Six Sigma tools and methodologies to solve critical business process problems; and Black Belt, designed for experienced Six Sigma practitioners with a Green Belt Certificate who wish to achieve the pinnacle of Six Sigma training by developing critical skills for leadership in enterprise-wide deployment.

“Six Sigma has become one of the business world’s most sought-after credentials,” said Nathan M. Bisk, Founder and Chairman of Bisk Education. “We are very excited to be joining with a respected institution such as Villanova University to offer professionals an opportunity to gain Six Sigma expertise online – anytime, anywhere, 24/7.”

In the eight-week Green Belt program, students learn to understand, interpret and use the core concepts of Six Sigma improvements to make better business decisions while gaining skills they can use immediately to analyze unit or company performance. Participants receive 45 Professional Development Units (PDUs) and are awarded the Villanova University Certificate of Achievement upon program completion.

In the 16-week Black Belt program, students gain a comprehensive overview of Six Sigma practices such as Advanced DMAIC (Design, Measure, Analyze, Improve, Control) and develop critical skills required to lead project teams and execute process-level improvement projects. Participants completing the Black Belt course receive 90 PDUs and a Villanova University Certificate of Achievement.

“These programs are ideal corporate training solutions,” Bisk said. “Companies can now provide their employees with valuable Six Sigma training that will improve a company’s profits and productivity but won’t interfere with employees’ current work and family responsibilities.”

**About Bisk Education, Inc.:**

Bisk Education, Inc. was founded by Nathan M. Bisk in 1971. Headquartered in Tampa, Florida, the organization is the largest provider of online interactive professional education. The University Alliance Online, a Bisk Education Network, provides online associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s degree and certificate programs through its exclusive long-term alliances with leading accredited universities, including Villanova University, Tulane University, Saint Leo University, Regis University, Jacksonville University, and the University of South Florida. The University Alliance Online is America’s leading exclusive e-Learning provider of multimedia online degree and certificate programs from regionally and internationally accredited universities with over 150,000 enrollments.

**About Villanova University:**

Villanova University in Villanova, Pennsylvania, was founded in 1842 and is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Villanova has been ranked “The #1 University in the North” 13 times by *U.S. News and World Report* magazine. Villanova is a member of the University Alliance Online.

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