

THE COLLEGE OF THE BAHAMAS FACT SHEET



HISTORY / GENERAL INFO

The College of The Bahamas
Oakes Field
Nassau, New Providence,
The Bahamas

Web Address: www.cob.edu.bs

Founded: 1974

A comprehensive college that grants undergraduate degrees and post-graduate diplomas.
Grant aided from the Government of The Bahamas.

President: Janyne M. Hodder, B.A., M.A., D.C.L. (Hon).

Faculty: 230 (65% Female) as of Fall 2009
Administrators and Staff: 383 as of Fall 2009

In 2009 The College was the 14th largest employer in The Bahamas

STUDENTS

Pre-college students (students taking only non-credit course): 234
College students (students taking all college credit courses): 4,235
Students enrolled in certificate programmes: 152
Students enrolled in diploma programmes: 52

GRADUATION STATS

Four-year graduation rate (1998 cohort): 33%
Six-year graduation rate (1998 cohort): 58%

Number of graduates by School (2008/09):
School of Business: 85
School of Education: 131
School of Science and Technology: 42
School of Social Sciences: 55
School of Nursing and Allied Health Professions: 27
School of English Studies: 1
School of Communication and Creative Arts: 23
Culinary and Hospitality Management Institute: 37

Alumni (June 2009): 10,883

11 Members of the current government are alumni of The College of The Bahamas

FACT SHEET



QUALIFICATIONS AWARDED 2008/09

Baccalaureate Degrees: 208
Associate Degrees: 161
Certificates: 10
Diplomas: 22

Degree Programmes

Associate Degrees: 2
Baccalaureate Degrees: 6; Additionally, a pharmacy degree is offered in conjunction with UTECH, Jamaica and The College also facilitates the University of the West Indies law degree.
Masters Degrees: The College facilitates masters degree programmes offered by US based colleges and universities and in 2008/2009 45 students graduated from MEd & MSc programmes.

MEMBERSHIP OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- American Association of Colleges & Universities Council on Education
- American College Student Personnel Association - International
- American Library Association
- Association of American Colleges & Universities
- Association of Caribbean Tertiary Institutions
- Association of Caribbean Universities, Research and Institutional Libraries
- Caribbean Association of Law Libraries
- Council on Higher Education Accreditation
- Council of Undergraduate Research
- Consortium of Overseas Teaching
- Illinois Reasearcher Information Services
- Institute of International Education
- International Association of Law Libraries
- International Association of Universities
- International Federation of Library Associations
- Medical Library Association

CAMPUSES

The Oakes Field campus is 37.1 acre site which includes the administrative buildings, student services and all but the School of Nursing and Allied Health Professions which is situated on the 2.5 acre Grosvenor Close Campus in down-town Nassau.

The Northern Bahamas Campus in Freeport on the island of Grand Bahama, is situated on 3.7 acres. The Poultry Research Unit occupies a 6 acre site south west of Oakes Field. The Gerace Field Station is on the island of San Salvador and occupies a 10 acre site.

RESEARCH

The Gerace Field Station offers unparalleled opportunities in marine science research, archaeology and geology. Other research activities focused on educational, environmental and social issues.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Completion of Harry C. Moore Library & Information Centre;
Completion of new Northern Bahamas Campus in Grand Bahama;
Transitioning to a university

COST OF AN EDUCATION

(Residents of The Bahamas)
Associate Degree: \$17,150
Baccalaureate Degree: \$39,500

Operating Budget 2007/2008: \$41,913,628