

# Doctoral Dissertations by College of The Bahamas Faculty or About The Bahamas, 2008-2012

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## INTRODUCTION

It has been four years since the *International Journal of Bahamian Studies* last published a compilation of doctoral dissertations written by College of the Bahamas faculty or dissertations by scholars worldwide with content relevant to Bahamian studies.

This year the list includes 51 doctoral dissertations completed between 2008 and 2012, of which 24% are by COB faculty – they have been highlighted. As the College approaches its 40th anniversary, 37% of its faculty now have doctoral-level education. This represents a level of maturity of the institution as it prepares to move from college to university status. Having faculty with the highest level of academic achievement allows the institution to offer degrees at the Master's level or higher.

Many universities are including their students' dissertations in the institutional digital repository, thereby making the full text of these dissertations freely available online. Where possible, the hyperlink to the online dissertation has been provided as part of the entry. In the event there is no university digital repository, then information about those theses that are available through Dissertations Abstracts International is provided.

The College of The Bahamas Library is digitizing pre-electronic age dissertations by Bahamian scholars and making them available via the Digital Library of the Caribbean (<http://www.dloc.org>). This pan-Caribbean repository of resources provides access to a wide variety of materials – from scholarly works, to newspapers and books to posters and ephemera (such as tourist brochures) of historic interest. The COB Library is a full member of the Digital Library of the Caribbean and has been contributing materials to build a corpus of Bahamian digitized materials. All Bahamian items available through Digital Library of the Caribbean may also be accessed through the online catalogue of The College of The Bahamas along with any discovery tools that the library subscribes to.

We apologize for errors or omissions, and will endeavour to correct them in the next volume of the IJBS.

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