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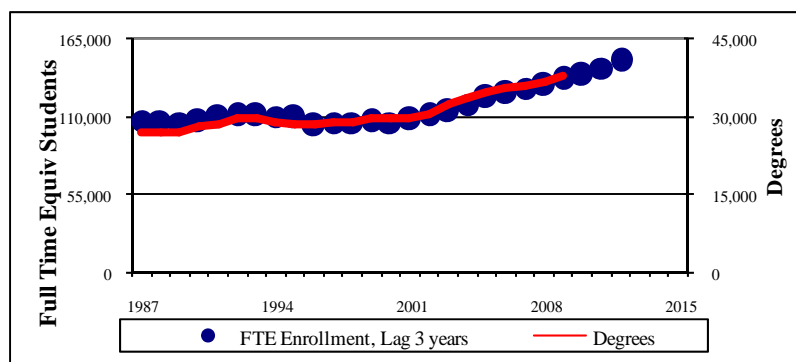
# Report

2008-09

## DEGREES CONFERRED BY CONNECTICUT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

- Connecticut colleges and universities awarded 38,047 degrees in 2008-09, up 3.9 percent from 2007-08, the state's eighth consecutive year of growth and a 28 percent increase since 1999.
- This is the largest annual gain in 20 years with the exception of a 6.6 percent surge in 2003. That spike marked the first sign, in degrees attained, of the growth in high school graduates entering as first-time college freshmen that began in the late 1990's. The 28 percent increase over the last decade reflects this growth. The chart below demonstrates the close track of degrees awarded to full-time enrollment three years earlier.

- More than half (51%) of all awards were bachelor's degrees, followed by master's at 27 percent and associate's at 15 percent. There was a 10 percent increase in associate's degrees in 2009, the largest increase in 20 years. Graduates with associate's degrees make up 15 percent of all degree recipients, the highest portion since 2002.



- The largest increases in associate's degrees were at six of Connecticut's community colleges—Capital, Gateway, Housatonic, Manchester, Norwalk and Tunxis. The most popular fields of study at the associate's level are General Studies, Health Professions, and Business.
- The number of minority students earning degrees increased 8.4 percent following two years of tepid growth. Minority students now make up 18.4 percent of all graduates compared to 16.7 percent five years ago and 21.4 percent of the state's general population. Degrees earned by Black students rose 7.3 percent after two years of decline and increased 9 percent at both the associate's and bachelor's levels. Degrees earned by Hispanic students were up 12.5 percent for the second year of significant growth with awards up at all degree levels.
- Men earned 41.3 percent of all degrees, up for the third consecutive year and narrowing the gender gap. The peak of the gender gap occurred in 2006 when women exceeded 60 percent of all degrees granted. Women account for 58.7 percent of all graduates, the same share as 2002, and continue to earn the majority of degrees at every level. The growth in degrees for men occurred at the associate's and bachelor's levels. Among Black and Hispanic men, bachelor's degrees have risen steadily over the last five years.

Appendix A  
**Degrees and Certificates Granted by Colleges and Universities in  
Connecticut**  
2008-09

Public Institutions	Undergrad Certificates	Associate's	Bachelor's	Post-Bacc Certificates	Master's	Doctor's Research	Doctor's Prof. Practice	Total
University of Connecticut								
Storrs	0	19	4,610	41	1,621	260	311	6,862
UConn Health Center	0	0	0	0	0	0	116	116
Connecticut State University System								
Central	0	0	1,660	62	602	0	10	2,334
Eastern	0	13	926	0	94	0	0	1,033
Southern	0	0	1,422	0	990	0	4	2,416
Western	0	20	807	4	151	0	2	984
Connecticut Community College System								
Asnuntuck	110	164	0	0	0	0	0	274
Capital	49	361	0	0	0	0	0	410
Gateway	115	522	0	0	0	0	0	637
Housatonic	50	397	0	0	0	0	0	447
Manchester	152	704	0	0	0	0	0	856
Middlesex	25	236	0	0	0	0	0	261
Naugatuck	51	510	0	0	0	0	0	561
Northwestern	14	113	0	0	0	0	0	127
Norwalk	77	468	0	0	0	0	0	545
Quinebaug Valley	61	169	0	0	0	0	0	230
Three Rivers	41	341	0	0	0	0	0	382
Tunxis	116	302	0	0	0	0	0	418
Charter Oak State College								
Charter Oak State College	0	59	424	0	0	0	0	483
<b>Total, State Institutions</b>	861	4,398	9,849	107	3,458	260	443	19,376
United States Coast Guard								
U.S. Coast Guard Academy	0	0	228	0	0	0	0	228
<b>Total, Public Institutions</b>	861	4,398	10,077	107	3,458	260	443	19,604
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Independent Institutions	Undergrad Certificates	Associate's	Bachelor's	Post-Bacc Certificates	Master's	Doctor's Research	Doctor's Prof. Practice	Total
<b>National Independent</b>								
Connecticut College	0	0	437	0	3	0	0	440
Trinity College	0	0	564	0	39	0	0	603
Wesleyan University	0	0	735	0	94	16	0	845
Yale University	0	0	1,309	0	1,790	390	363	3,852
<b>Regional Independent</b>								
Albertus Magnus College	1	108	378	13	205	0	0	705
Briarwood College	11	89	10	0	0	0	0	110
Fairfield University	0	2	935	0	355	0	0	1,292
Graduate Institute, The	0	0	0	0	137	0	0	137
Hartford Seminary	0	0	0	16	22	0	4	42
Holy Apostles College and Seminary	0	0	10	7	45	0	7	69
Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	25
Mitchell College	0	42	119	0	0	0	0	161
Paier College of Art	9	3	33	0	0	0	0	45
Post University	11	30	234	4	40	0	0	319
Quinnipiac University	0	0	1,330	6	430	0	122	1,888
Rensselaer at Hartford	0	0	0	0	262	0	0	262
Sacred Heart University	0	26	867	0	587	0	36	1,516
Saint Joseph College	2	0	226	37	258	0	0	523
St. Basil College	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
University of Bridgeport	4	40	270	0	1,220	0	54	1,588
University of Hartford	21	162	948	0	502	1	34	1,668
University of New Haven	48	50	615	84	790	0	0	1,587
<b>Two-Year Independent</b>								
Clemens College	1	34	0	0	0	0	0	35
Gibbs College	3	264	0	0	0	0	0	267
Goodwin College	112	219	0	0	0	0	0	331
Legion of Christ College of Humanities	0	58	0	0	0	0	0	58
St. Vincent's College	0	71	0	0	0	0	0	71
<b>Total, Independent Institutions</b>	223	1,198	9,049	167	6,779	407	620	18,443
<b>Total, All Institutions</b>	1,084	5,596	19,126	274	10,237	667	1,063	38,047

Appendix B  
**Degrees and Certificates by Level and Race/Ethnicity**  
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	<b>Black Non- Hispanic</b>	<b>Hispanic</b>	<b>Asian or Pacific Islander</b>	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>White Non- Hispanic</b>	<b>Non- Resident Alien</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Total Certificate &lt; 1 Year Degrees</b>	129	96	31	0	661	10	129	1,056
<b>Total Certificate &gt; 1 Year Degrees</b>	2	0	2	0	22	0	2	28
<b>Total Associate Degrees</b>	758	588	176	16	3,494	148	416	5,596
<b>Total Bachelor's Degrees</b>	1,331	1,174	923	68	13,696	408	1,526	19,126
<b>Total Post-Baccalaureate Certificates</b>	28	13	3	3	178	20	29	274
<b>Total Master's Degrees</b>	486	417	400	31	6,205	1,806	892	10,237
<b>Total Doctor's Degree Research/Scholarship</b>	18	27	35	2	289	218	78	667
<b>Total Doctor's Degree Professional Practice</b>	69	56	107	5	709	29	88	1,063

Appendix C  
**Degrees and Certificates by Level, Discipline and Gender of Recipient**  
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<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>Women</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Total Certificate &lt; 1 Year Degrees</b>	400	656	1,056
<b>Total Certificate &gt; 1 Year Degrees</b>	3	25	28
<b>Total Associate Degrees</b>	1,946	3,650	5,596
<b>Total Bachelor's Degrees</b>	8,200	10,926	19,126
<b>Total Post-Baccalaureate Certificates</b>	97	177	274
<b>Total Master's Degrees</b>	4,255	5,982	10,237
<b>Total Doctor's Degree Research/Scholarship</b>	343	324	667
<b>Total Doctor's Degree Professional Practice</b>	487	576	1,063