

## Policy on *jUMPSTART* Programme

<b>Title:</b>	<i>jUMPSTART</i> Programme
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<b>Replacing or superseding information</b>	This policy supersedes 2015-18-POL-AC and all policies and practices relating to the <i>jUMPSTART</i> Programme, including Academic Board Paper No.: AB 07-40.
<b>Revision number</b>	
<b>Responsible Office</b>	Academic Affairs
<b>Accountable Officer</b>	Vice President, Academic Affairs
<b>Related legislation, regulation, policy, or policies</b>	N/A
<b>Appendix/Appendices</b>	None

1. **Authority**

Board of Trustees and Academic Senate.

2. **Purpose**

This policy establishes guidelines and procedures that will regulate the *jUMPSTART* Programme.

3. **Scope**

This policy applies to all high school students interested in pursuing university level credit courses and/or direct admission into University of The Bahamas (UB).

#### 4. **Definitions**

N/A

#### 5. **Policy Statement**

##### 5.1. General

5.1.1. The *jUMPSTART* Programme is an academic programme designed to challenge highly motivated high school students who have attained high academic achievement by providing an opportunity for them to

5.1.1.1 obtain university credits while in high school;

5.1.1.2 explore career interests by taking introductory level courses in relevant disciplines;

5.1.1.3 network with university students and faculty across areas/disciplines in which they have an interest; and

5.1.1.4 gain first-hand experience of university life.

5.1.2. Upon completion of a minimum of nine credit hours with 'C' grades or above, *jUMPSTART* students

will be awarded direct entry into the University. Where some University programmes have additional entry requirements, such as a personal interview or portfolio, relevant Schools/Academic

Units should be consulted for specific details.

##### 5.2. Entry Requirements

5.2.1. To be eligible for acceptance into the programme, students must

5.2.1.1 be enrolled in a high school;

5.2.1.2 have achieved three or more BGCSE passes (including English and Mathematics) with grades 'C' or above (with the exception of Mathematics which must have a minimum pass of grade 'B') or have an SAT combined score of 900 on the Math and Critical Reading sections; and

5.2.1.3 have a cumulative high school grade point average of 3.00 or higher.

##### 5.3. Programme Requirements

5.3.1. Qualified students will be accepted into *jUMPSTART* in the Fall or Spring semester only.

5.3.2. Students will be permitted to register for

5.3.2.1 A maximum of 15 credit hours while in the programme;

5.3.2.2 Courses for which their BGCSE subject passes are prerequisites.

5.3.2.3 First semester courses in the area of their prospective major.

5.3.2.4 Courses offered during the Fall and Spring semesters and the Summer sessions.

5.3.3. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 to remain in the programme.

5.3.4. Students will be charged a reduced tuition fee of \$200 per course, and will be required to pay only insurance, ID card and orientation fees.

## 6. **Procedures**

- 6.1. The *jUMPSTART* Programme will operate under the auspices of the Office of Academic Affairs and will be overseen by the Vice President of Academic Affairs in conjunction with a Coordinator and the Academic Deans.
- 6.2. Where a need exists, *jUMPSTART* students may be eligible for financial assistance.