
Foreword

The *Boston College Fact Book* is a summary of significant statistics gathered from various sources throughout the University. Once again, we wish to extend sincere thanks and appreciation for the excellent cooperation and assistance received from these many sources.

The purpose of the *Fact Book* is to produce a single-source publication and reference document that touches upon and integrates all aspects of the institution's people and its operations. We do wish to point out to all users that the information presented herein was compiled at a specific time — July through December 1998— to reflect the Academic Year 1997-98, as well as the most current enrollment statistics for Fall 1998.

The majority of the information is extracted from management reports produced on a regular basis by the various source offices. When reviewing the figures presented we advise you always to note the time frame referenced in the individual tables, and to contact responsible offices (noted at the bottom of each table) should you have further questions.

With this 27th edition, we continue our efforts to produce a *Fact Book* that provides both current information and an historical perspective. We welcome your comments and suggestions for additional information that might be included or improvements in the way information is presented.

James M. O'Neill & Ivy R. Dodge, Editors
February 1999

Non-Discrimination Statement

Founded by the Society of Jesus in 1863, Boston College is dedicated to intellectual excellence and to its Jesuit, Catholic mission and heritage. Committed to maintaining a welcoming environment for all people, the University recognizes the important contribution a diverse community of students, faculty and administrators makes to the advancement of its goals and ideals.

Boston College rejects and condemns all forms of harassment, and it has developed procedures to redress incidents of harassment against any members of its community, whatever the basis or circumstance. Moreover, in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws, Boston College does not discriminate in employment, housing, or education on the basis of a person's race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, marital or parental status, veteran status, or disabilities. In addition, in a manner faithful to the Jesuit, Catholic principles and values that sustain its mission and heritage, Boston College is in compliance with applicable state laws providing equal opportunity without regard to sexual orientation.

Boston College has designated the Director of Affirmative Action to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities to prevent discrimination in accordance with state and federal laws. Any applicant for admission or employment, as well as all students, faculty members, and employees, are welcome to raise any questions regarding violation of this policy with Barbara Marshall, Director of Affirmative Action, More Hall 315, 552-2947. In addition, any person who believes that an act of discrimination based on Title IX discrimination has occurred at Boston College may raise this issue with the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education.