



**T. BASWELL DONALDSON MEMORIAL LECTURE  
&  
RESEARCH PRIZE**

**RESEARCH COMPETITION**

Mr. Timothy Baswell Donaldson was the first Governor of the Central Bank of the Bahamas, having led the organisation through its transition from the Bahamas Monetary Authority. The Bank's patronage of the arts under his tenure was the inspiration for the Annual Art Exhibition and Competition now in its 34<sup>th</sup> year. Through the exhibition the Central Bank has identified, very early on, talented individuals who have blossomed into the most renowned and sought after artists in The Bahamas.

The T. B. Donaldson Research Prize is intended to have a similar effect in identifying and inspiring young scholars. These are individuals who are destined to stand out in their future contribution to Bahamian scholarship and national development in the areas of economic, finance and business. The Prize is also in the tradition established by Mr. Donaldson, of recognizing the value of higher education and technical skills in supporting progressive development of both regulators and other participants in the domestic economic space. Through the Central Bank, Mr. Donaldson was instrumental in establishing the Bahamas Institute of Bankers (now the Bahamas Institute of Financial Services) and he contributed as a past Chairman of the College (now University) of The Bahamas.

Students are invited to submit a completed, unpublished research paper, on a policy, applied or theoretical treatment of a topic in business, economics or finance that is of direct relevance to The Bahamas. The submission must be of an academic quality and adhering to academic standards of formatting and presentation. Judging of submissions will be done by an independent panel of academic and professional experts, who will be revealed later in March. The deadline for submissions is April 30 2017. The research prize is \$20,000. The prize winner will also present the TB Donaldson Memorial Lecture, on their research, at a public event in June 2017.

**Rules:**

- **Eligible Researchers**
  - Bahamian student currently matriculating
    - Part-time or Full-time
    - Locally or abroad
    - Undergraduate or graduate

- **Eligible Subject Areas**

A policy focused, applied or theoretical research papers in economics, business or finance. This could include a concentration on:<sup>1</sup>

- Business or Finance
- Monetary Policy
- Fiscal Policy
- Development Economics

- **Paper Submission Requirements.**

All submissions should be in portable document format (PDF). Submissions should **not** be in any editable word processing format.

- APA (American Psychological Association) formatted, unpublished work not currently submitted for consideration for any other open competition; or the recipient of another open prize.<sup>2</sup>
- Sole authorship.
- All references to the identity of the author removed from the text. The paper should include a cover page and abstract of no more than 300 words, with all references to the identity of the author also removed.
- A separate cover page submission with identity and contact details (email and telephone number) of the author revealed.
- No more than 30 pages (not including graphs charts and references and cover pages), double spaced, 12 point sized type font.

- **Prize**

- \$20,000 cash prize
- Presentation of the TB Donaldson Memorial Lecture

**Deadline: April 30, 2017**

*Complete Papers should be emailed to Mr. Kevin Demeritte at the addresses given below. Papers received after the deadline will not be considered.*

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<sup>1</sup> Political or political Science papers will not be considered.

<sup>2</sup> Papers that received a recognition or award as part of the recognition or awards process that this internal to the school or university at which the student is enrolled will not be disqualified.