

# Arkansas Division of Higher Education

## Annual Report of Credentials Awarded



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## ANNUAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS AWARDED

Every year colleges and universities submit a Graduated Student File to the Arkansas Higher Education Information System (AHEIS). This file contains a record for every certificate and degree awarded to students by the institution between July 1<sup>st</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. This year’s annual report includes AY 2022 credentials awarded between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.

### Statewide Trends

Arkansas higher education institutions overall experienced an increase of 3.7% in the number of credentials awarded in 2022 compared to 2021. There was an increase of 1,773 credentials awarded in 2022. The 4-year universities had a slight decrease of .6%, while the 2-year colleges reported an increase from 2021 to 2022 of 11.5%. The private and independent colleges and universities reported a decrease of 3.9% in the number of credentials awarded. Our Nursing Schools and Northwest Technical Institute experienced the largest percentage increase comparing 2021 to 2022 of almost 16%.

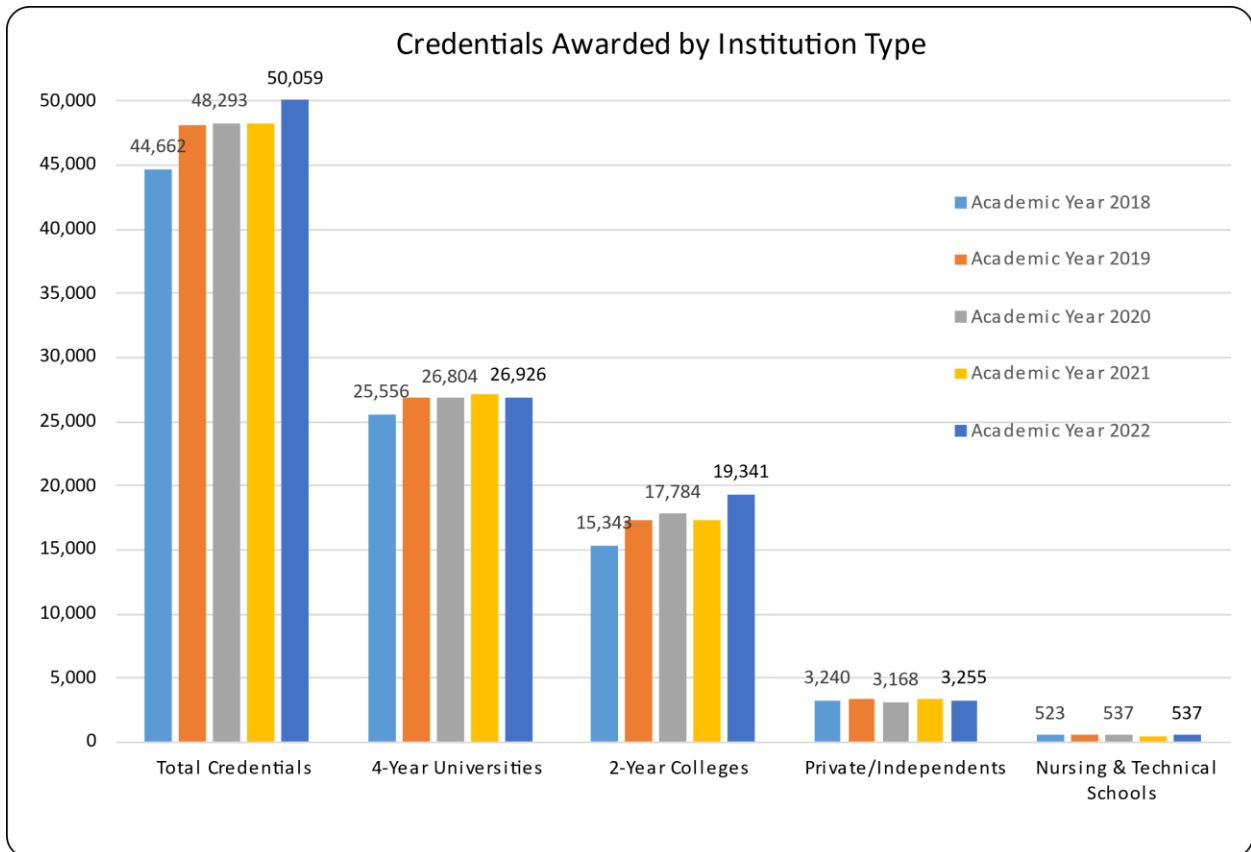


Chart 5-1: Five-Year History of Credentials Awarded by Institution Type

Bachelor’s degrees awarded in 2022 compared to 2021 decreased by 6.0%, while Associate degrees increased by 8.7%. Technical Certificates increased by 3.9%, while Certificates of Proficiency experienced a large increase of 23.8% as reported below in Chart 5.2. There were 141 nursing diplomas and 42 advanced certificates conferred in 2021 that are not included on chart 5.2.

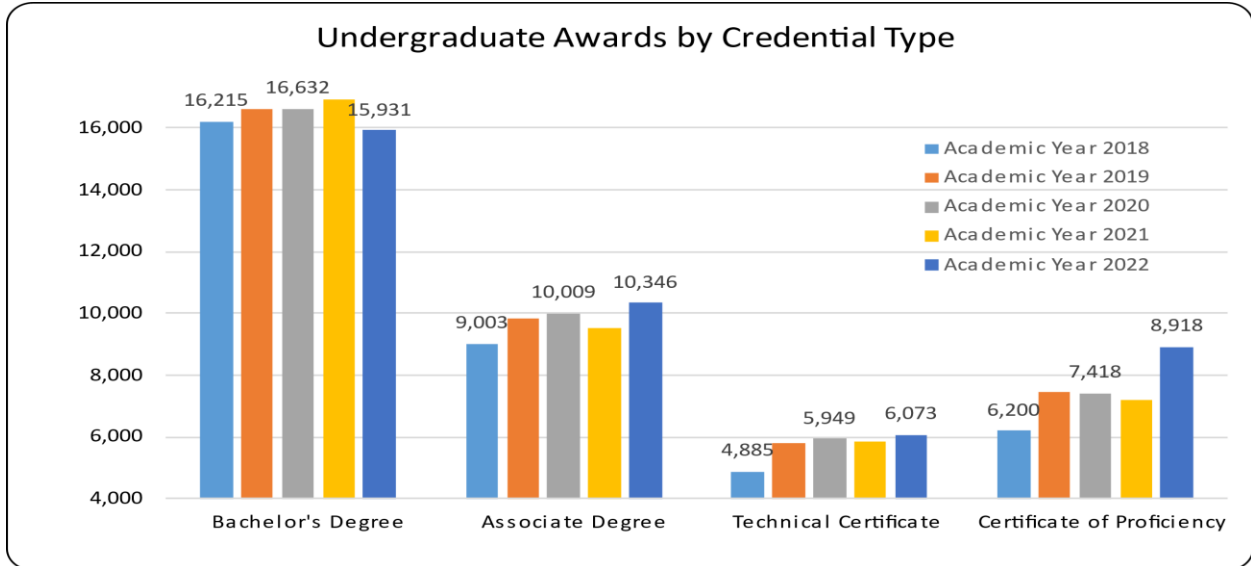


Chart 5.2: Five-year History of Undergraduate Credentials

Seven out of eleven 4-year public universities reported an increase of Post-baccalaureate Certificates awarded. The range of increases were between 4 and 96.

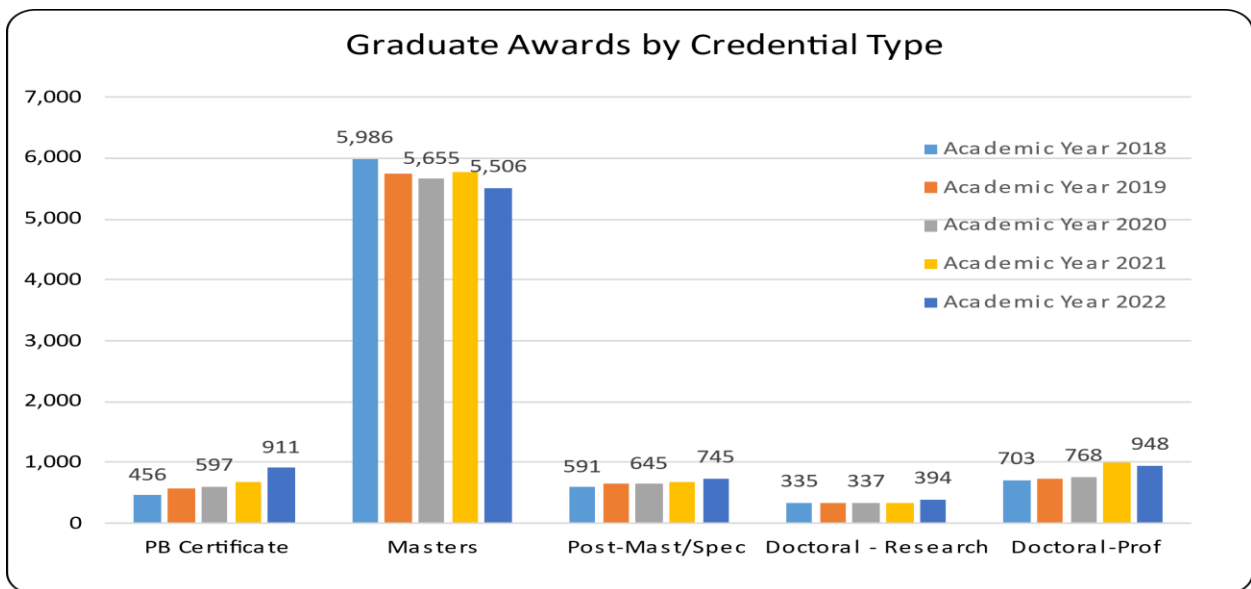


Chart 5.3: Five-year History of Graduate Credentials

**Credential Trends by Institution**

Charts 5.4 through 5.13 provide a five-year history of credentials awarded by each institution. Four of eleven 4-year universities reported an increase in credentials awarded. Increases ranged between 1.1% and 18.7%. For the 2-year colleges, 15 of 22 reported an increase in the number of credentials awarded in 2022 over 2021. 9 of 18 Private Institutions saw an increase in the number of credentials awarded.

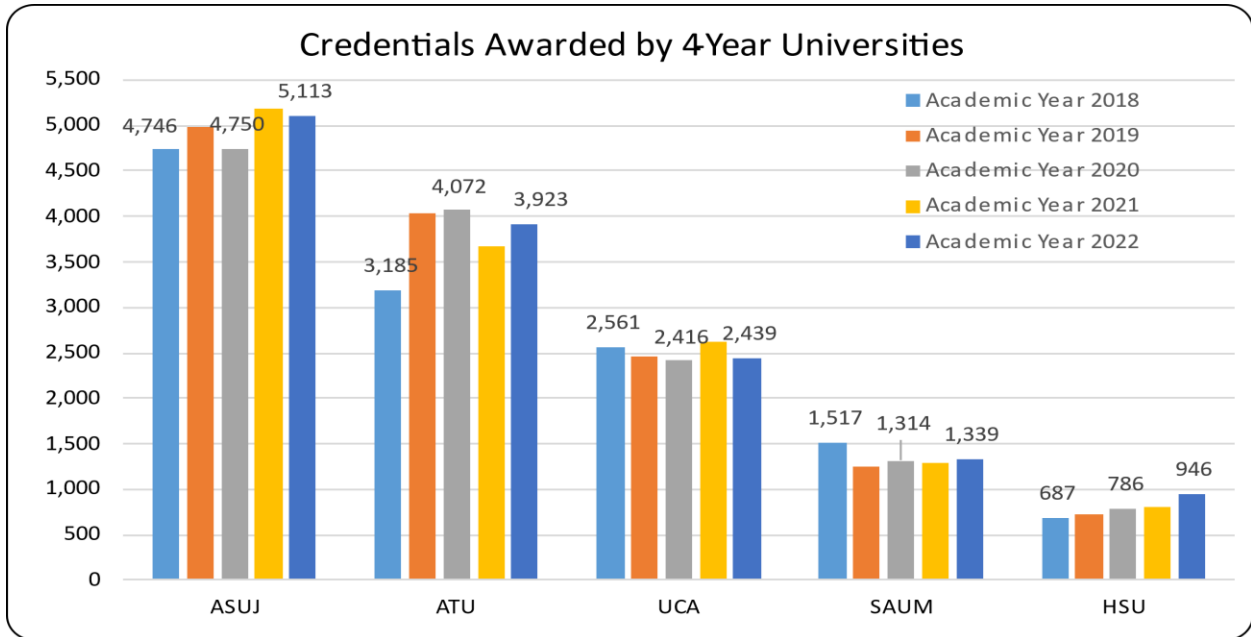


Chart 5.4: Five-year History of Credentials

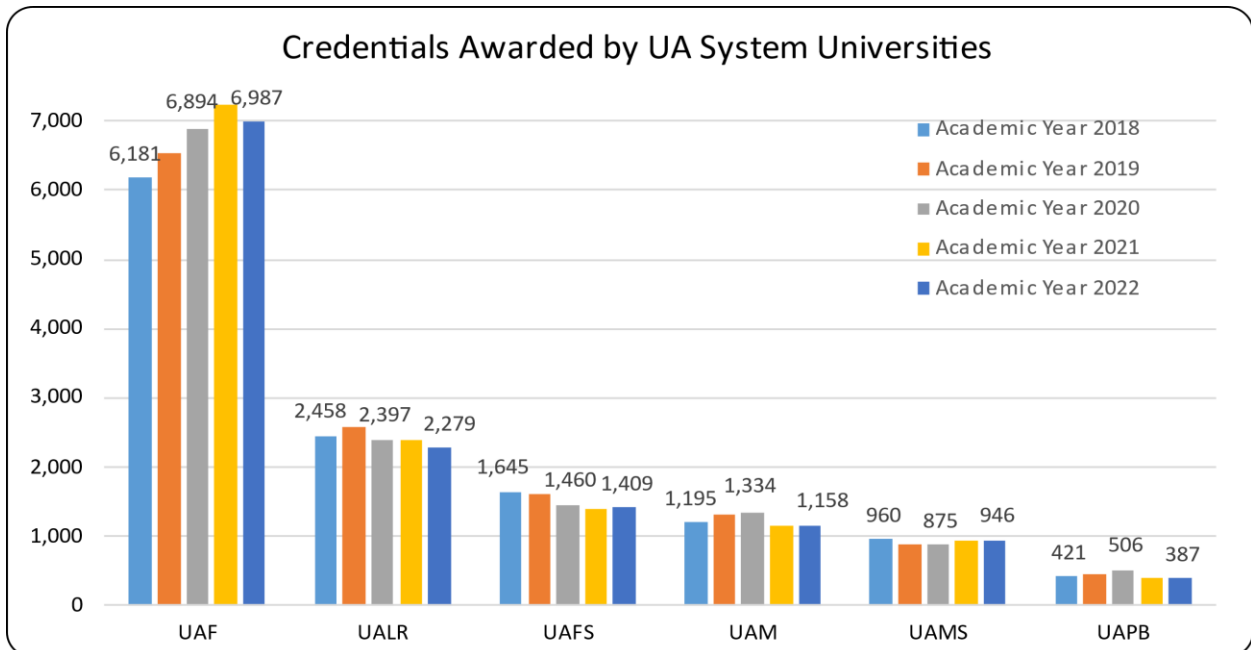


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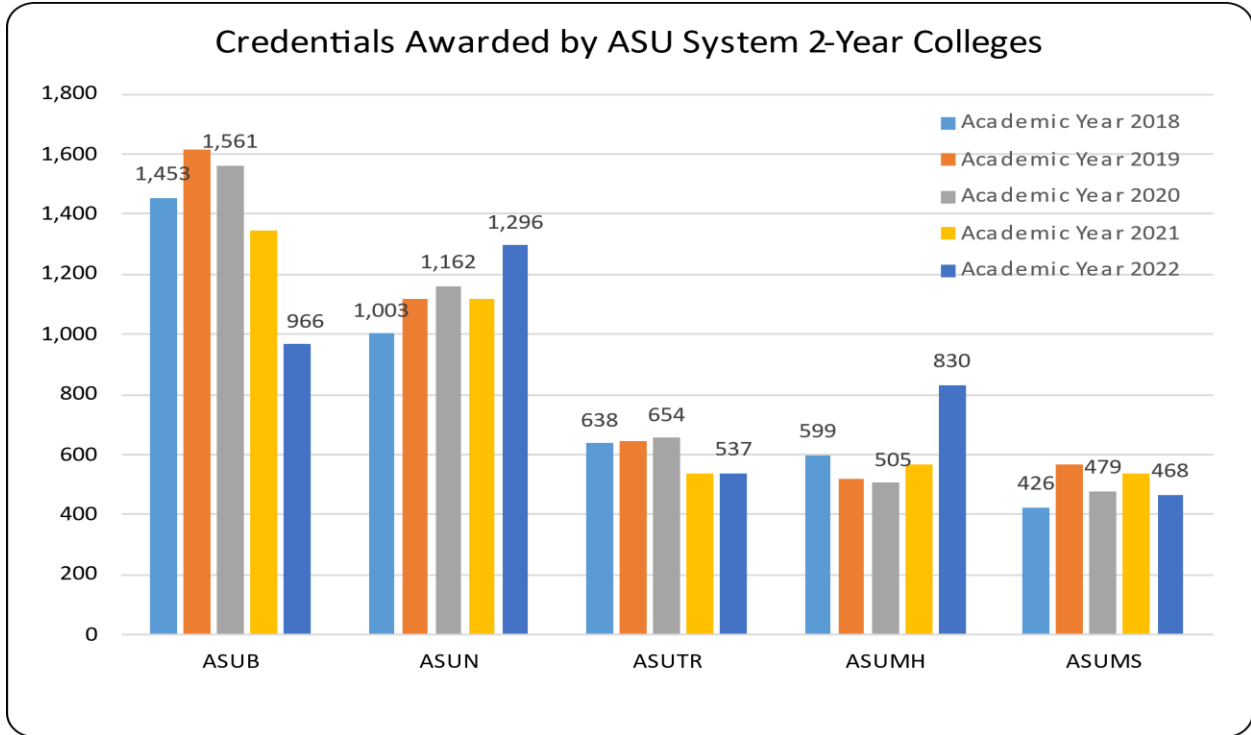


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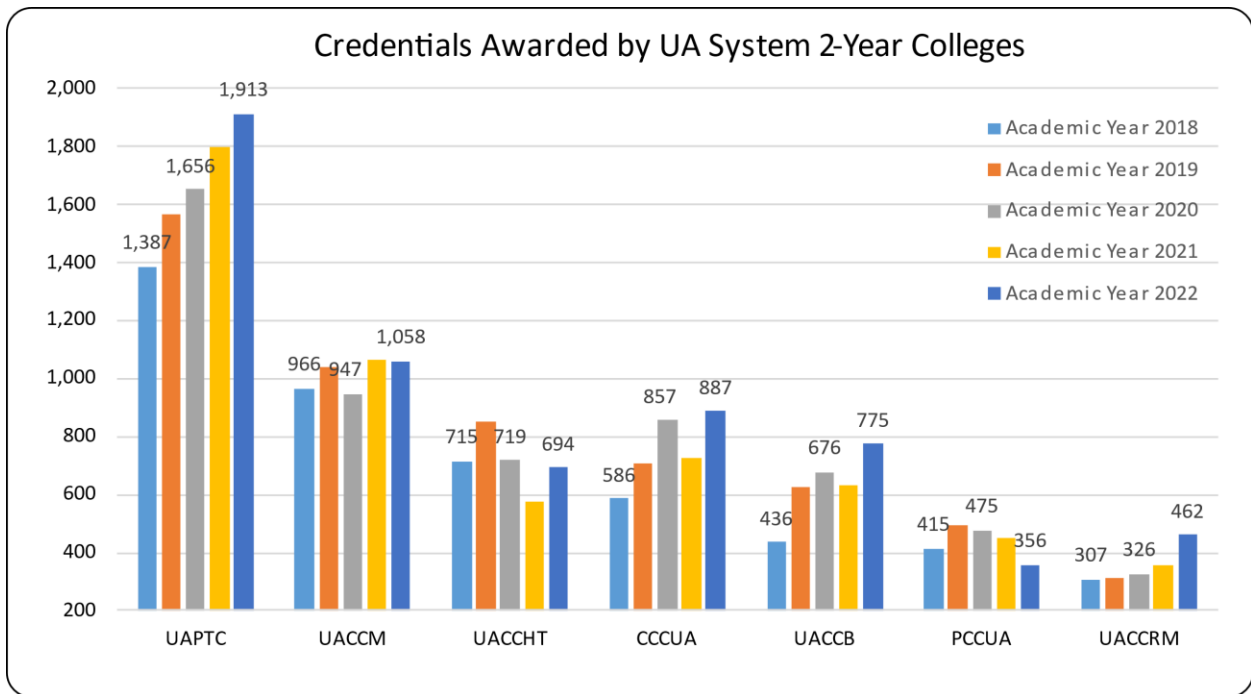


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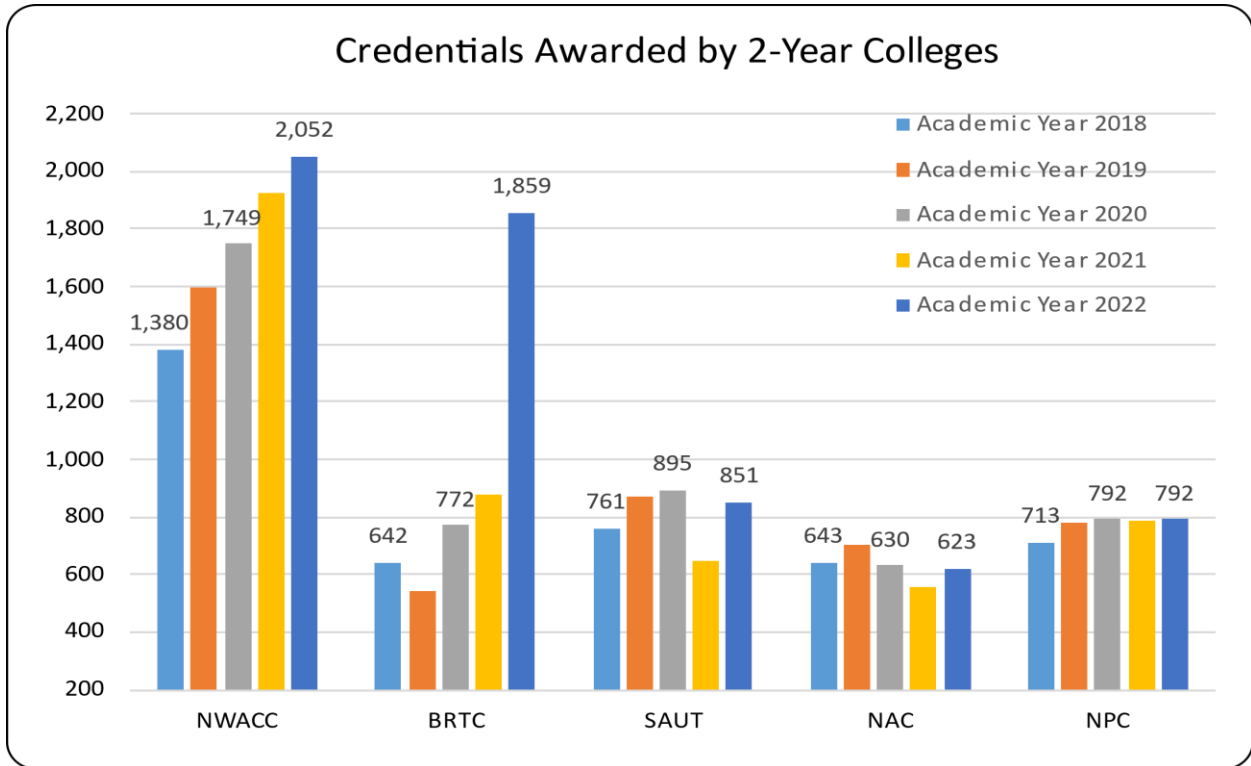


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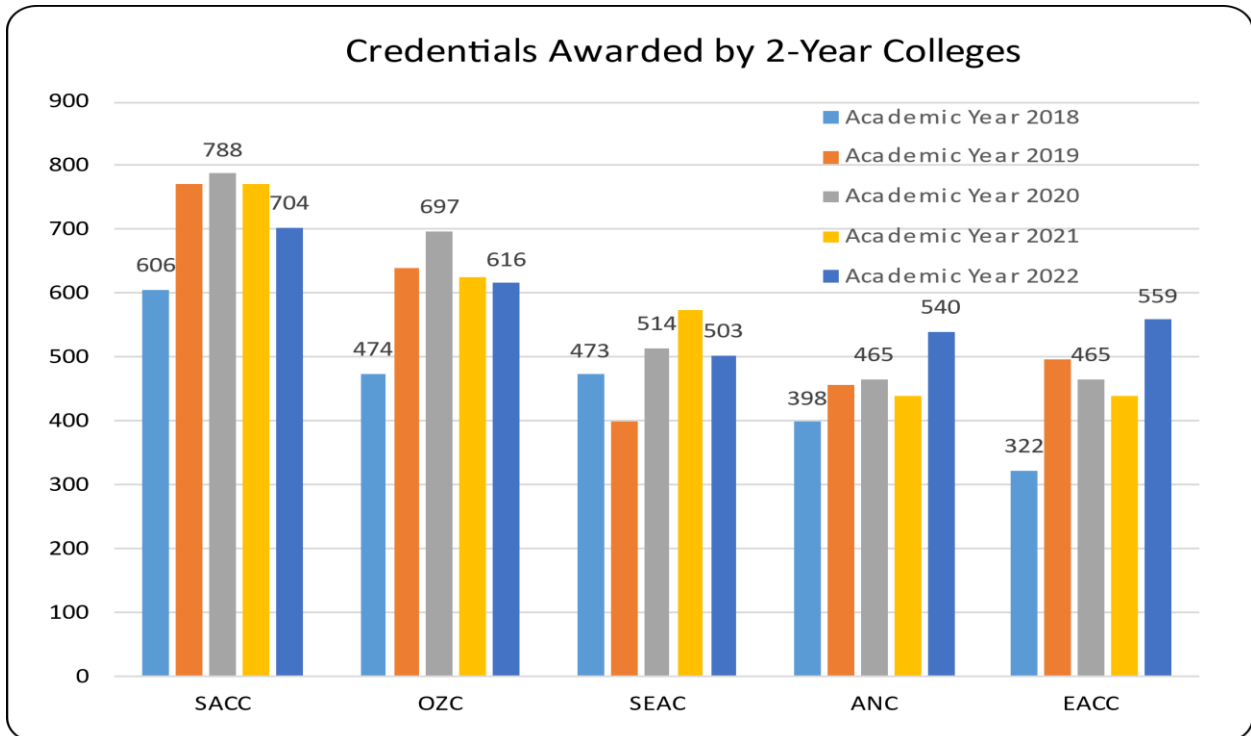


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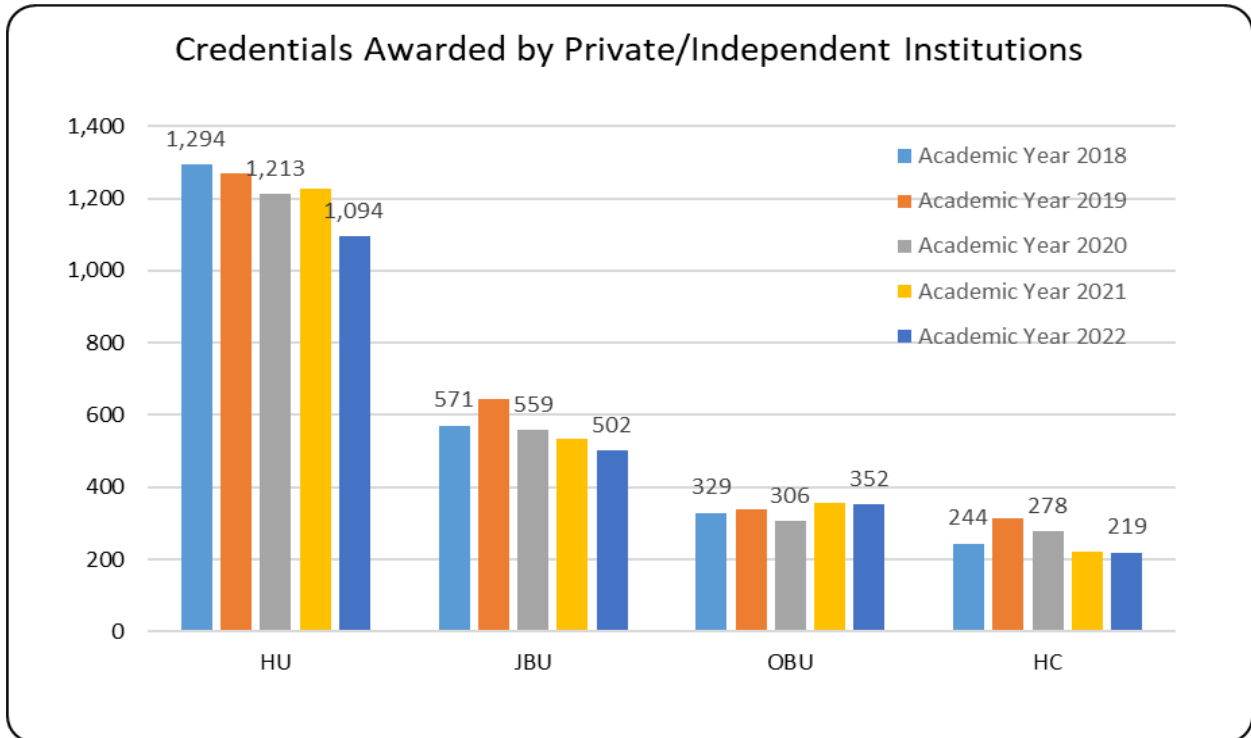


Chart 5.10: Five-year History of Credentials

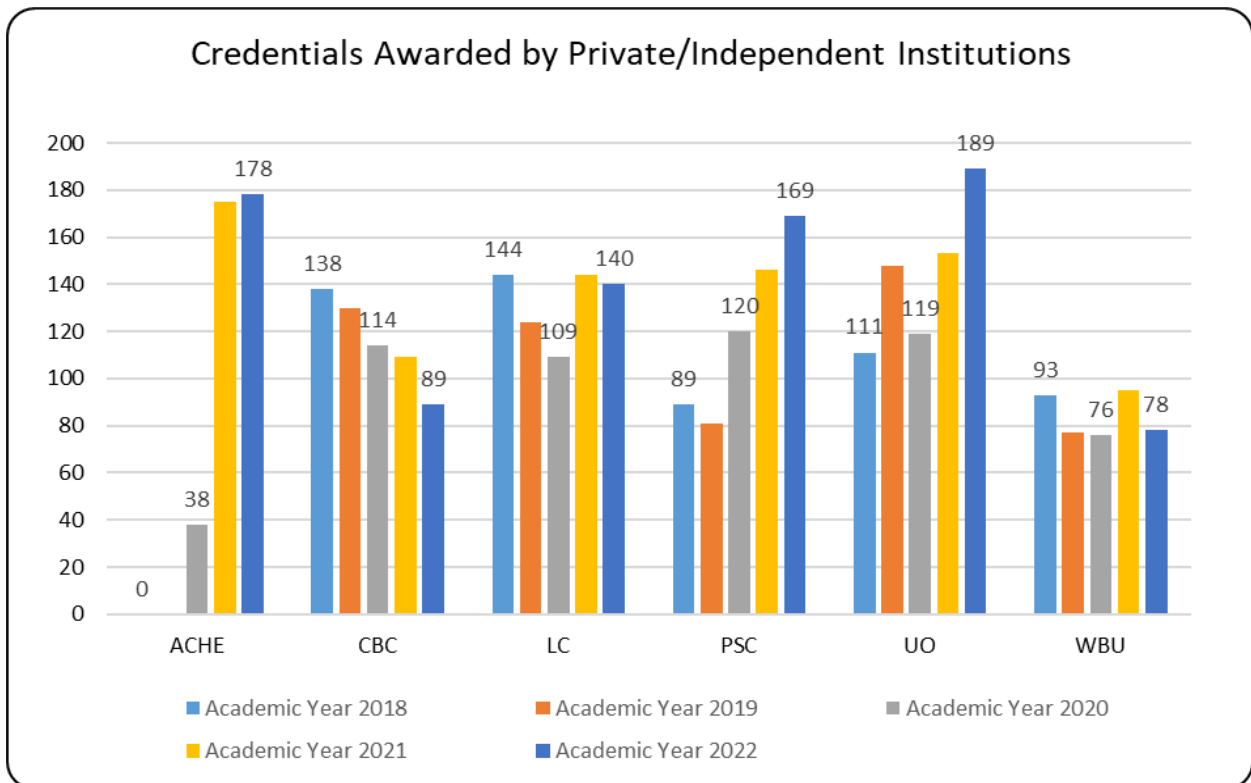


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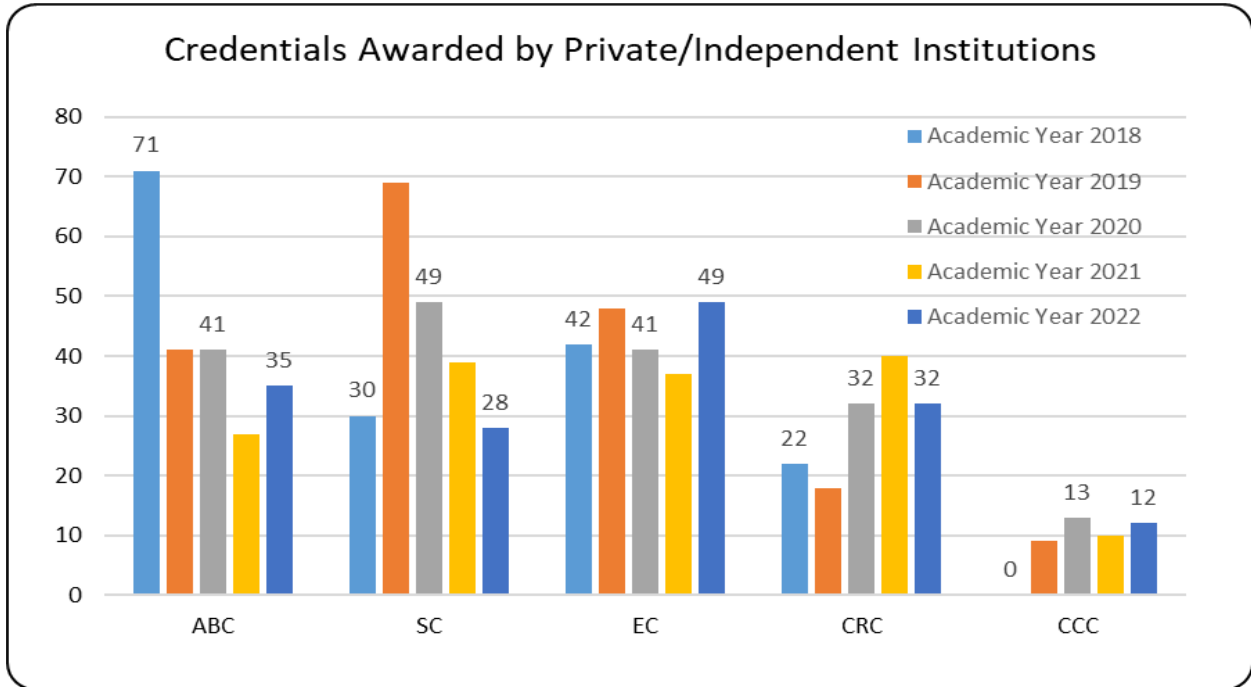


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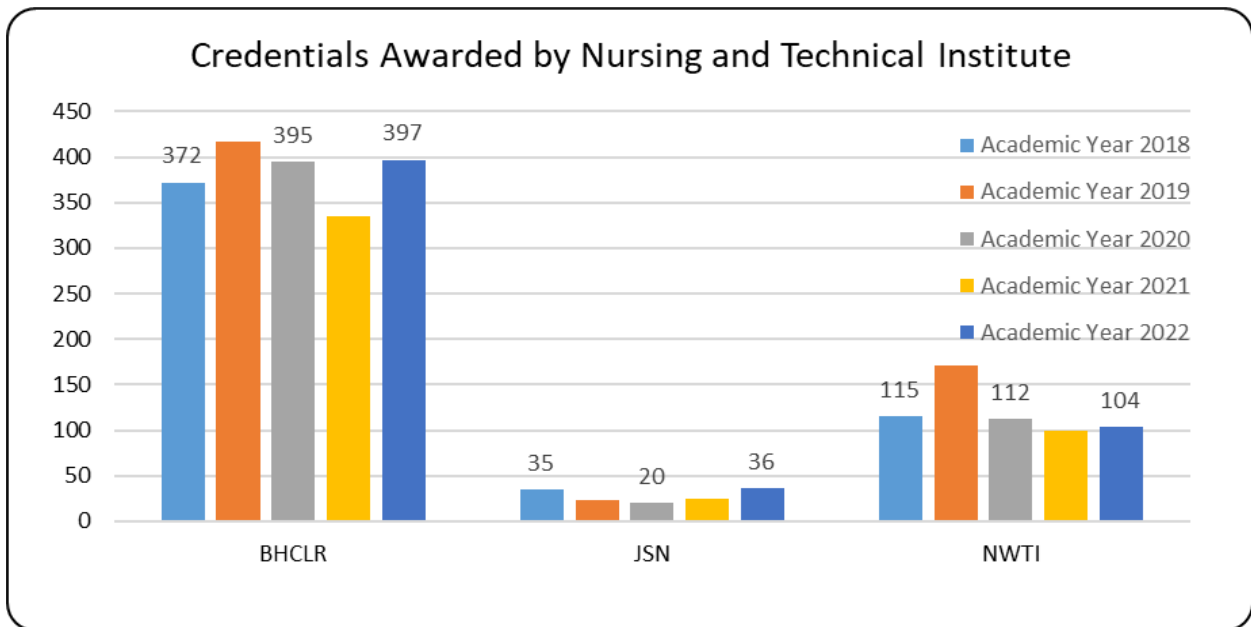


Chart 5.13: Five-year History of Credentials