The positive educational and economic impact of Mississippi’s HBCUs is large and lasting. The numbers (based on 2016 data) tell the story.

**KEY STATS:**
- HBCUs comprise 31% of the four-year institutions in the state
- Enroll 48% of all black undergraduates at public and private four-year institutions
- Award 42% of all bachelor’s degrees earned by black students

**ENROLLMENT:**
- 13,086: Total number of black undergraduates enrolled at an HBCU in the state
- 49%: Percentage of black male undergraduates enrolled at a four-year HBCU in Mississippi
- 47%: Percentage of black female undergraduates enrolled at a four-year HBCU in Mississippi

**ECONOMIC IMPACT***:
- Total economic impact: Mississippi’s five HBCUs generate $774 million in total economic impact.
- Total employment impact: Mississippi’s five HBCUs generate 7,775 jobs for their local and regional economy.
- Total lifetime earnings for graduates: The 3,247 Mississippi HBCU graduates in 2014 can expect total earnings of $8.3 billion over their lifetimes.