



First class: The school's first graduates with director Professor Roger Carey and Education Minister Steve Rodan (OS)

# Business school celebrates its first graduation ceremony

THE International Business School celebrated its first students graduating at a ceremony in the Manx Museum, Douglas.

Education Minister Steve Rodan was on hand to carry out the presentations and among the guests were business school chairman Dr Edgar Mann, Isle of Man College principal Ray Smith and Nicholas Lynch, principal lecturer at London Metropolitan University.

Business school director Professor

Roger Carey said three students had completed their masters degree in financial regulation and compliance management.

He said this marked the end of two years' part-time study and praised the students for working 'extra hard to keep up because of a pretty gruelling schedule'.

Professor Carey added: 'We had a number of students who took the postgraduate certificate in the same subject.

'One student took the postgraduate certificate in international banking and finance and a couple did a certificate of higher education in business studies.

'The remaining students were all doing Chartered Management Institute awards at either level four, three or two.'

The school is based on the Nunnery estate, Douglas, and opened its doors for the first time in September 2001.

Professor Carey said: 'It was our first awards ceremony and as such it was quite exciting. It means we have students who have completed their courses and who are going to go out into the big, bad world and tell people what a wonderful institution we are!

'It's obviously a landmark for us because it is a first, but it will get bigger and better as the cohorts of students come to the end of their programmes.'