

Campus Ministry Profile:
Bates College
Lewiston, Maine

Summary: Bates College is annually listed among the nation's leading liberal arts colleges. It is located in central Maine near the Androscoggin River. It was founded by Free Will Baptist abolitionists, but now maintains no religious affiliation. Bates has one of the highest percentages of students who study abroad. The student body includes students from more than 60 nations and nearly every state (20% from northern New England).



Bates College

source: www.dkolb.org

Basic Facts

Founding: 1855
Control: Private, non-sectarian
Location: urban
Enrollment:
 Undergraduate: 1776
 Graduate: n/a
Selectivity:
 Applications, 2008: 4433
 Acceptances, 2008: 1312
 Enrolled, 2008: 442
Tuition & Financial Aid:
 Tuition, room, & board: \$49,350
 Out-of-state tuition: n/a
 Students receiving financial aid: 41%
 Average award: \$32,872
Academics:
 Median SAT: 1340 (optional)
 Students in top 10% of HS class: 53%
 Total Majors: 32
 Graduate programs: n/a

Introduction to Lewiston

Population: 37,807 (2007)
Median Household Income: \$37,842 (2007)
Median House/Condo Value: \$148,272 (2007)
Cost of Living, (US average = 100): 90.5 (2008)
Unemployment Rate: 9.5% (March, 2009)
Racial Breakdown

White, non-Hispanic	82.8%
Black	6.4%
Hispanic	1.5%
Two or more races	9.0%

Largest Employers

Sisters of Mercy Health Sys. Inc.	1600
Central Maine Medical Center	1200
St. Mary's Regional Med. Ctr.	850

Local Attractions:

Bates College Museum of Art

Nearest Major Cities:

Portland (30 miles south); Boston (137 miles SW)

Nearest Hospital: Central Maine Med. Ctr. (Lewiston)

Local Newspaper: *Lewiston Sun-Journal*

Campus Newspaper: *The Bates Student*

Average January Low Temperature: 11.5°

Average July High Temperature: 81.5°

Average Annual Precipitation: 45.8 inches

Average Annual Snowfall: 69 inches

Introduction to Campus Life

Students living on campus: 92%

Racial Composition of Student Body:

White, non-Hispanic	80.3%
Asian	6.1%
Black	4.0%
Hispanic	3.6%

Male/Female student ratio: 46:54

Student/faculty ratio: 10:1

Most Popular Majors:

Politics	13%
Psychology	13%
Economics	12%

Sports: 27 NCAA Division III (Bobcats)

Christian Campus Ministries:

Reformed University Fellowship? *NO*
 Campus Crusade for Christ? *NO*
 Intervarsity Christian Fellowship? *YES*
 Other: Bates Christian Fellowship

Selected Local Churches:

United Baptist Church (Indep.)
Trinity Episcopal Church (ECUSA)
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Nearest PCA/OPC Churches:

Free Grace Pres. (PCA), Lewiston
Merrymeeting Bay (OPC), Brunswick (19 mi.)