

# PROLOGUE TO BATES 2009

*Fall Open House Programs for Multicultural Students*

OCTOBER 11–13 PROLOGUE

NOVEMBER 8–10 PROLOGUE

## DEADLINES

September 11  
for the October Prologue

October 9  
for the November Prologue

### SCHEDULE

*(schedule may be  
subject to change)*

#### Sunday

1–10pm

- Arrival and registration
- Lunch and/or dinner with hosts
- Social

#### Monday

8am–4pm

- Information session and tours
- Panel discussions
- Bates classes
- Admissions interviews

4–10pm

- Dinner with faculty, staff and students
- Diversity highlights

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## 'PROLOGUE: INTRODUCTION. FORWARD. PREAMBLE. PREFACE.'

**Prologue to Bates** is a program designed to allow multicultural students and their parents or guardians to explore the opportunities that Bates College has to offer. Bates understands the difficult stage where you are thinking ahead and beginning to plan for the future, in terms of higher education and beyond. For many students, a liberal arts education is the first chapter of a successful and rewarding career — preparation for graduate studies (an epilogue to your education) or for entry into a broad range of professions. Multicultural students at Bates College find unique avenues for developing their academic interests in the context of small class settings and research opportunities, while learning to build community on and off campus. The **Prologue to Bates** program allows you to explore the ways we can help you write that next chapter in your life.

**Prologue to Bates** is your introduction to a small, highly selective college and to the benefits of a liberal arts education. Founded in 1855, Bates College has the distinction of being one of the oldest coeducational colleges in the United States and one that has always admitted students of all racial, ethnic and religious backgrounds. Among its distinguished alumni, Bates is proud to name Benjamin E. Mays. He inspired civil rights leaders, including Martin Luther King Jr., a Morehouse graduate, who called Mays “my spiritual mentor and my intellectual father.” Mays gave the eulogy at King’s funeral. Bates continues to be committed to attracting a diverse student body.

Participants in **Prologue to Bates** experience activities and programs designed to acquaint them with the College’s academic and cocurricular offerings. These outstanding students are provided with housing and meals as guests of the College. Bates will make transportation arrangements for attendees and offers scholarships to students who need assistance with travel costs. We also invite your parents or guardians to join us for **Prologue to Bates**.

We encourage you to apply. If you have questions, please contact the Admissions Office, Bates College, 23 Campus Avenue, Lewiston, Maine 04240-6098, phone 207-786-6000, fax 207-786-6025, e-mail: [admissions@bates.edu](mailto:admissions@bates.edu), [www.bates.edu/perspectives.xml](http://www.bates.edu/perspectives.xml)

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## WHAT HAPPENS DURING PROLOGUE?

- A tour of the Bates campus
- Each participant is hosted by a Bates student
- An admissions interview
- Workshops
- Classroom visits
- Meetings with Bates faculty and staff
- Campus events — academic, athletic, cultural and cocurricular
- A group information session
- Experience student life at a residential liberal arts college
- Opportunities to discuss your application with an admissions officer

Mail or fax the application form and essay, along with an official copy of your high school transcript and a recommendation from your guidance counselor, to:

Admissions Office, Bates College  
23 Campus Avenue  
Lewiston, Maine 04240-6098  
phone: 207-786-6000,  
fax: 207-786-6025  
e-mail: [admissions@bates.edu](mailto:admissions@bates.edu)

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# APPLICATION

Please check only one:

- October 11–13 Prologue **fax by September 11**
- November 8–10 Prologue **fax by October 9**  
**fax number 207.786.6025**

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First Middle*

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone (        ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Gender M/F \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

S.S. Number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. citizen  U.S. permanent resident (citizen of) \_\_\_\_\_  Non-U.S. citizen

High school \_\_\_\_\_

Date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

High school telephone number (        ) \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance counselor \_\_\_\_\_

Class rank \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ *(Please approximate if necessary)*

Parent(s) name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ daytime telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your senior year courses \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you involved in any precollegiate or special academic programs (such as Upward Bound, ABC, etc.)?

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*Additional information on reverse.*

Please list any academic awards or achievements. *Please use additional sheets if necessary.*

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Please list your extracurricular achievements, positions held or honors won (include sports, the arts, community service, student government, etc.). *Please use additional sheets if necessary.*

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Please answer the following supplemental questions.

- Check this box if you are applying for a travel scholarship. *Your guidance counselor must also recommend you for a travel scholarship in his/her letter of recommendation. Counselor's letter must accompany application.*
- You are *not* applying for a travel scholarship.
- Please check if your parent/guardian will attend.

Name of parent/guardian accompanying student:

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*Last* *First* *Middle*

Bates College will provide housing and food for a limited number of parents/guardians in attendance. Please contact the Coordinator of Multicultural Recruitment if other accommodations are needed.

First and second choice of departure airport: 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred time of departure from home (unless determined by us) \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred time of arrival home (unless determined by us) \_\_\_\_\_

Any special requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Please write an essay on one of the following topics on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Discuss a time when your ethnic background significantly affected your life.
2. What do you hope to gain from attending a Prologue to Bates program?

Checklist: we ask that you submit the following *with* your application

- Application form
- Essay
- Official copy of high school transcript
- Recommendation from guidance counselor
- Parent signature (authorization to attend) \_\_\_\_\_
- Student signature (all materials are complete and true) \_\_\_\_\_