# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2016 and 2015

## JUNE 30, 2016 and 2015

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## **Report of Independent Auditors**

To the Trustees of Bates College:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Bates College (the "College"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the College's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Bates College at June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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October 28, 2016

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,869,809	\$ 12,459,714
Accounts receivable (net of allowance of		
\$367,025 for 2016 and \$396,473 for 2015)	1,912,395	2,403,605
Inventories and prepaid expenses	2,384,613	2,254,711
Contributions receivable - net	13,271,666	5,107,422
Notes receivable	5,809,709	6,240,799
Investments	289,477,687	301,731,624
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	5,664,628	6,113,178
Contributions receivable from remainder trusts	6,007,953	5,930,259
Land, buildings and equipment - net	179,784,703	153,749,207
Deposits with bond trustees	20,363,636	44,749,663
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 542,546,799	\$ 540,740,182
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 17,485,634	\$ 16,438,555
Student deposits and deferred items	3,383,348	3,957,009
Asset retirement obligations	6,007,832	6,004,413
Split interest and annuity obligations	15,870,011	15,078,261
Federal student loan funds repayable	6,346,569	6,418,467
Bonds payable	99,764,751	101,983,814
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 148,858,145	\$ 149,880,519
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	\$ 124,087,610	\$ 122,922,023
Temporarily restricted	88,472,192	109,498,875
Permanently restricted	181,128,852	158,438,765
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 393,688,654	\$ 390,859,663
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 542,546,799	\$ 540,740,182

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 WITH SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	2016						2015			
			7	Femporarily	I	Permanently				
	I	Unrestricted		Restricted		Restricted		Total		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES										
Revenues and gains										
Single fee revenue	\$	109,765,408					\$	109,765,408	\$	106,425,812
Scholarship aid		(31,479,000)						(31,479,000)		(31,397,885)
Net revenue from students	\$	78,286,408					\$	78,286,408	\$	75,027,927
Other educational program revenues		1,101,975						1,101,975		908,418
	\$	79,388,383					\$	79,388,383	\$	75,936,345
Government grants		2,053,392						2,053,392		1,837,777
Contributions and private grants		8,557,653	\$	2,636,493				11,194,146		15,130,998
Endowment return used in accordance										
with spending policy		1,809,238		10,330,735				12,139,973		11,594,257
Other income		5,570,195		282,006				5,852,201		5,486,841
Net assets released from restrictions		13,320,266		(13,320,266)				-		-
	\$	110,699,127	\$	(71,032)			\$	110,628,095	\$	109,986,218
Expenses										
Educational and general										
Instructional	\$	39,275,764					\$	39,275,764	\$	38,699,642
Research		1,796,342						1,796,342		1,512,304
Public service		291,326						291,326		177,488
Academic support		14,700,237						14,700,237		13,825,419
Student services		16,395,131						16,395,131		16,383,258
Institutional support		16,354,694						16,354,694		16,424,887
Total educational and general	\$	88,813,494					\$	88,813,494	\$	87,022,998
Auxiliary enterprises		15,761,178						15,761,178		16,381,245
	\$	104,574,672					\$	104,574,672	\$	103,404,243
TOTAL FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	6,124,455	\$	(71,032)			\$	6,053,423	\$	6,581,975
NONOPERATING ACTIVITIES										
Revenues and gains										
Contributions	\$	500,072	\$	97,784	\$	23,363,319	\$	23,961,175	\$	3,390,663
Total endowment return		(4,351,048)		(8,781,485)		389,478		(12,743,055)		3,132,674
Endowment return used in accordance										
with spending policy		(1,809,238)		(10,330,735)		-		(12,139,973)		(11,594,257)
Other investment return including change										
in value of split interest agreements		-		(268,488)		(1,062,710)		(1,331,198)		782,156
Net assets released from restrictions		1,672,727		(1,672,727)		-		-		-
Expenses										
Loss from early extinguishment of debt		(971,381)		-		-		(971,381)		-
TOTAL FROM NONOPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	(4,958,868)	\$	(20,955,651)	\$	22,690,087	\$	(3,224,432)	\$	(4,288,764)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	\$	1,165,587	\$	(21,026,683)	\$	22,690,087	\$	2,828,991	\$	2,293,211
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	122,922,023	\$	109,498,875	\$	158,438,765	\$ .	390,859,663	\$	388,566,452
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	124,087,610	\$	88,472,192	\$	181,128,852	\$ .	393,688,654	\$	390,859,663
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## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	١	Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted			]	Permanently Restricted		Total
OPERATING ACTIVITIES								
Revenues and gains	¢	106 405 010					¢	106 405 910
Single fee revenue	\$	106,425,812					\$	106,425,812
Scholarship aid	-	(31,397,885)					<b>_</b>	(31,397,885)
Net revenue from students	\$	75,027,927					\$	75,027,927
Other educational program revenues	-	908,418					<b>_</b>	908,418
_	\$	75,936,345					\$	75,936,345
Government grants		1,837,777						1,837,777
Contributions and private grants		7,184,963	\$	7,946,035				15,130,998
Endowment return used in accordance								
with spending policy		1,877,949		9,716,308				11,594,257
Other income		5,291,337		195,504				5,486,841
Net assets released from restrictions		12,311,607		(12,311,607)				-
	\$	104,439,978	\$	5,546,240			\$	109,986,218
Expenses								
Educational and general								
Instructional	\$	38,699,642					\$	38,699,642
Research		1,512,304						1,512,304
Public service		177,488						177,488
Academic support		13,825,419						13,825,419
Student services		16,383,258						16,383,258
Institutional support		16,424,887						16,424,887
Total educational and general	\$	87,022,998					\$	87,022,998
Auxiliary enterprises		16,381,245						16,381,245
5 1	\$	103,404,243					\$	103,404,243
TOTAL FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	1,035,735	\$	5,546,240			\$	6,581,975
NONOPERATING ACTIVITIES								
Revenues and gains								
Contributions	\$	968	\$	248,386	\$	3,141,309	\$	3,390,663
Total endowment return		(36,389)		2,064,579		1,104,484		3,132,674
Endowment return used in accordance								
with spending policy		(1,877,949)		(9,716,308)		-		(11,594,257)
Other investment return including change								
in value of split interest agreements		-		264,635		517,521		782,156
Net assets released from restrictions		2,381,643		(2,381,643)		-		-
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TOTAL FROM NONOPERATING								
ACTIVITIES	\$	468,273	\$	(9,520,351)	\$	4,763,314	\$	(4,288,764)
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INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$	1,504,008	\$	(3,974,111)	\$	4,763,314	\$	2,293,211
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	121,418,015	\$	113,472,986	\$	153,675,451	\$	388,566,452
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NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	122,922,023	\$	109,498,875	\$	158,438,765	\$	390,859,663

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 and 2015

Cash flows from operating activities:		2015		
	2 828 001	¢	2 202 211	
Increase in net assets \$	2,828,991	\$	2,293,211	
Adjustments to reconcile the change in net assets to net cash used in				
operating activities:	6 650 252	¢	6 500 951	
Depreciation \$	6,652,353	\$	6,599,851	
Asset retirement accretion, net of abatements	3,419		119,289	
Amortization of bond origination costs and bond premiums	(44,583)		(50,269)	
Loss from early extinguishment of debt	971,381		-	
Net unrealized and realized losses (gains) on investments	13,855,888		(2,149,866)	
Other investment return including change in value of split-	1 221 100		(702.15.())	
interest agreements	1,331,198		(782,156)	
Contributions received for endowment or other long-term uses	(15,796,931)		(7,266,583)	
Contributions received from gifts of securities for operating purposes	(809,546)		(979,679)	
Proceeds from sale of gifts of securities for operating purposes	809,546		979,679	
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:				
Accounts receivable	491,210		(356,870)	
Inventories and prepaid expenses	(129,902)		(56,700)	
Increase in contributions receivable from current year pledges	(10,327,537)		(1,612,137)	
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	133,073		(46,427)	
Student deposits and deferred items	(573,661)		562,791	
Total adjustments \$	(3,434,092)	\$ \$	(5,039,077)	
Net cash used in operating activities \$	(605,101)	\$	(2,745,866)	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of plant and equipment \$	(31,773,843)	\$	(11,535,805)	
Purchases of investments	(41,817,829)		(89,680,917)	
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	40,047,286		90,963,157	
Disbursements of loans to students	(778,449)		(946,106)	
Repayments of loans from students	1,209,539		1,098,503	
Decrease (increase) in escrow deposits with bond trustees	13,932		(11,636)	
Use of bond proceeds deposited with trustees	24,372,095		5,298,274	
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,727,269)	\$	(4,814,530)	
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Repayments of principal on bonds payable \$	(3,155,000)	\$	(3,170,000)	
Proceeds from issuance of bonds	172,226	Ψ	-	
Bond financing costs	(163,087)		-	
Cash contributions received for endowment or other long-term purposes	13,184,025		4,708,105	
Proceeds from gifts of securities for long-term purposes	2,612,906		2,558,478	
Cash received on contributions receivable for long-term purposes	2,163,293		5,488,056	
(Payments) receipts of refundable loan funds	(71,898)		18,175	
Net cash provided by financing activities \$	14,742,465	\$	9,602,814	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents \$	5,410,095	\$	2,042,418	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	12,459,714		10,417,296	
	12,109,71		10,117,220	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year \$	17,869,809	\$	12,459,714	
Supplemental data				
Contributions of securities and other noncash assets \$	3,422,452	\$	3,538,157	
Accrued construction costs	6,284,482		5,370,476	
Advance refunding - Series 2006B	30,565,554		-	
Noncash debt issuance costs	176,404		-	
	4,863,675		5,175,773	

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Description of the Entity**

Bates College (the "College") is a private, coeducational, liberal arts college located in Lewiston, Maine. The College provides academic, residential and other services to a diverse student population of approximately 1,750.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The College displays its activities and net assets in three classes: unrestricted, temporarily restricted and permanently restricted. These classes are defined as follows:

Unrestricted Net Assets - Net assets that are not subject to donor - imposed stipulations.

<u>Temporarily Restricted Net Assets</u> - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations or legal restrictions that may or will be met either by actions of the College and/or the passage of time.

<u>Permanently Restricted Net Assets</u> - Net assets subject to donor - imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the College.

Revenues are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets unless use of the related assets is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. Realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments and other assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulations or law.

#### **Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Significant estimates include the valuation of certain investments, split interest obligations, receivables, and estimated service lives of buildings and equipment. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The College considers all highly liquid debt instruments with maturities, when purchased, of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2016 and 2015 included \$1,661,868 and \$1,314,548 respectively, of monies held for the Perkins loan program.

#### **Contributions Receivable**

Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected within one year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their expected future cash flows. The discounts on those amounts are computed using rates indicative of the market and credit risk associated with the contribution. Amortization of the discounts is included in contribution revenue. Conditional promises to give are not included as revenues until the conditions are substantially met.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market with cost being principally determined on a first -in, first-out basis.

#### **Investments**

Investments are stated at fair value in accordance with Fair Value Measurement standards. Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

The following describes the hierarchy of inputs used to measure fair value and the primary valuation methodologies used by the College for financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

The three levels of inputs are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the same term of the assets or liabilities.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The College's interests in alternative investments are reported at the net asset value (NAV) reported by the investment managers. The College reviews and evaluates the NAVs provided by the investment managers including, but not limited to, managers' compliance with Fair Value Measurement standards, price transparency and valuation procedures in place, and the ability to redeem at NAV at the measurement date. The College believes that these valuations are a reasonable estimate of fair value as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 but are subject to uncertainty and, therefore, may differ from the value that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed; such differences could be material. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate the fair value of these investments unless it is probable that all or a portion of the investment will be sold for an amount different from NAV. As of June 30, 2016, the College had no plans or intentions to sell investments at amounts different from NAV.

The amount of gain or loss associated with these investments is reflected in the accompanying financial statements. Investments include funds designated by the Board of Trustees and permanent endowment assets which are held in perpetuity. The College may have exposure to derivative financial instruments through its investments in various limited liability funds.

The College uses the unit market value method for the assignment of income and asset appreciation and depreciation for the investments it pools within the endowment and trust fund categories. Under this method each individual fund subscribes to, or disposes of, units on the basis of the market value per unit. Income as well as capital appreciation or depreciation earned by the pool is assigned to each individual fund on the basis of the number of units the individual fund owns.

Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and level of uncertainty related to the changes in value of these investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in value in the near term could materially impact the amounts reported as the fair market value of these investments at June 30, 2016.

#### Split Interest Agreements

The College is party to various split interest agreements with regards to irrevocable trusts and other agreements. These agreements include perpetual trusts, charitable remainder trusts, charitable gift annuities, pooled income funds and pooled growth funds.

When the College is the trustee for the trust/fund, the assets held are included in investments. When a donor makes a contribution to these funds, contribution revenue is recognized and a liability for the present value of the estimated future payments to the donors and/or other beneficiaries is recorded as split interest and annuity obligations. Split interest and annuity obligations are based upon actuarial estimates and assumptions regarding the duration of the agreement and the rates used to discount the liabilities. Circumstances affecting these assumptions can change the estimate of the liabilities in future periods. Discount rates ranged from 3.2% to 8.0%, and 2.9% to 8.0% at June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Assets held by an outside trustee are classified as beneficial interest in perpetual trusts or as contributions receivable from remainder trusts. These assets represent the College's share of the fair market value of the trust assets as of the balance sheet date, net of a liability for the present value of estimated future payments to the donors or other beneficiaries. Distributions of income from the trusts to the College are recorded as revenue and the carrying value of the assets is adjusted for changes in the estimates of future receipts.

#### Land, Buildings and Equipment

Land, buildings and equipment are stated at cost at date of acquisition or at fair market value at date of donation in the case of gifts. Repairs and maintenance of buildings, grounds, equipment and furnishings as well as insignificant replacements of furnishings and equipment are expensed as incurred.

Land improvements, buildings and equipment are depreciated on the straight-line method over the estimated service lives of respective assets. Estimated service lives are as follows:

Land and building improvements	10 to 15 years
Buildings (masonry)	60 years
Buildings (wooden)	25 years
Equipment	4 to 10 years

When assets are retired or disposed of, the associated cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and gains or losses are included in other income in the statement of activities.

#### **Collections**

The College's policy is not to capitalize collections, primarily art objects, as they are held for educational, research, and curatorial purposes. Each of the items is catalogued, preserved and cared for, and activities verifying their existence and assessing their condition are performed continuously. Any proceeds from the sale of collection items are used to acquire other items for the collection.

#### **Deposits With Bond Trustees**

Deposits with Bond Trustees consists principally of investments in United States Government obligations and have been deposited with Trustees as required under certain loan agreements. Amounts at June 30, 2016 and 2015 respectively, consist of \$4,468,491 and \$4,482,423 for debt service, and \$15,895,145 and \$40,267,240 for construction.

#### **Asset Retirement Obligations**

In accordance with standards on *Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations*, the College recognizes the fair value of a liability for legal obligations associated with asset retirements in the period in which the obligation is incurred. When the liability is initially recorded, the cost of the asset retirement obligation is capitalized by increasing the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset. The liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized cost associated with the retirement obligation is depreciated over the useful life of the related asset. Upon settlement of the obligation, any difference between the cost to settle the asset retirement obligation and the liability recorded is recognized as a gain or loss in the statement of activities.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### **Investment Return / Spending Policy**

The Maine Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) provides that unless explicitly stated otherwise by the donor, appreciation on investments of donor designated endowment funds, until appropriated pursuant to proper governing board action, must be classified as temporarily restricted net assets.

The investment time horizon for the endowment is long-term, consistent with its expected perpetual life. The financial goals for the endowment are (a) to achieve investment returns, net of all costs of management, over full market cycles at least equal to the sum of the rate of inflation (Higher Education Price Index) and the spending rate, and (b) to provide a predictable and stable flow of funds for the operating budget of the College.

To achieve its long-term return objectives, the College relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized gains) and current yield (interest and dividends). The College targets a diversified asset allocation that places greater emphasis on equity based investments to achieve an expected average real return of approximately 5% annually (actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount).

The College's endowment spending policy is also based upon the "total return" concept. The portion to be spent is determined by a budgetary process whereby the objective of the governing board is that the actual spending does not exceed 5% of the estimated average fair market value of the endowment investments. Accordingly, over the long term, the College expects its endowment to grow at the rate of inflation annually, consistent with the financial goals of the endowment.

#### **Financial Instruments**

The College has a number of financial instruments including: cash and cash equivalents; contributions and accounts receivable; and accounts payable and accrued expenses. Management of the College estimates that the fair value of financial instruments at June 30, 2016 and 2015 does not differ materially from the aggregate carrying values of its financial instruments recorded in the accompanying statements of financial position. Notes receivable are principally amounts due from students under U.S. Government sponsored loan programs, which are subject to significant restrictions. Accordingly, it is not practicable to determine the fair value of such amounts.

#### **Nonoperating Activities**

Nonoperating activities include transactions related to capital activities, endowments, split interest agreements, and a loss from early extinguishment of debt. Nonoperating activities also include the investment return in excess of or less than amounts used for operations in accordance with the College's endowment spending policy.

#### **Donor-Imposed Restrictions**

Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. All donor - restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

#### Sponsored Programs

Revenues associated with federal and state government grants and contracts are recognized as the related costs are incurred. The College records reimbursement of indirect costs relating to government grants and contracts at predetermined negotiated rates for each year.

#### **Allocation of Certain Expenses**

The statement of activities presents expenses by functional classification. Operation and maintenance of plant is allocated to program and supporting activities based principally upon square footage of facilities. Depreciation of plant assets is allocated based on the specific use of the asset. Interest expense is allocated to the functional classifications that benefited from the use of the proceeds of the debt.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### Income Taxes and Tax Status

The College qualifies under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is exempt from federal income taxes on all of the College's program related income.

#### New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued a standard on *Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent)* that is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. This standard requires investments that are measured at net asset value (NAV) as a practical expedient for fair value to be excluded from the fair value hierarchy and removes the requirement to make certain disclosures for all such investments measured at fair value using the practical expedient. The College has elected to adopt the guidance early, as permitted, and has retrospectively applied the standard to all prior periods presented upon the date of adoption.

In April 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2015- 03, *Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs* which requires debt issuance costs to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the associated debt. The College early adopted this pronouncement as of June 30, 2016 and has retrospectively applied the standard to all prior periods presented upon the date of adoption.

In January 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2016-01, *Financial Instruments–Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. Within this standard, entities that are not public business entities are no longer required to disclose the fair value of financial instruments carried at amortized cost and no longer required to disclose the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value. The College early adopted this pronouncement as of June 30, 2016 with respect to the estimated value of bonds payable.

#### Upcoming Accounting Pronouncements

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-14, *Presentation of Financial Statements for Not-for-Profit Entities*, which makes targeted changes to the not-for-profit financial reporting model including changes to the classification of net assets and liquidity disclosures. The ASU also imposes several new requirements related to reporting expenses, including providing information about expenses by their natural classification. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017 and early adoption is permitted. The College is evaluating the impact of the new guidance on the financial statements.

In May 2014 the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, a principles-based standard to recognize revenue from customer contracts. ASU 2014-09 is effective for the College's fiscal year 2019. The College is evaluating the impact that the ASU may have on its financial statements.

#### Subsequent Events

The College evaluated subsequent events through October 28, 2016, the date the financial statements were issued, and determined that there have been no subsequent events for the period after June 30, 2016 that would require recognition in the financial statements or disclosure in the notes of the financial statements.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## NOTE 2 - CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE

Included in contributions receivable are the following unconditional promises to give:

	2016	2015
Capital	\$ 180,999	\$ 1,103,150
Endowment	11,600,780	1,150,081
Other	2,670,257	3,341,354
Unconditional promises to give before unamortized		
discount and allowance for uncollectibles	\$ 14,452,036	\$ 5,594,585
Less: Unamortized discount	611,297	190,939
	\$ 13,840,739	\$ 5,403,646
Less: Allowance for uncollectibles	569,073	296,224
Net unconditional promises to give	\$ 13,271,666	\$ 5,107,422
Amounts due in:		
Less than one year	\$ 6,875,771	\$ 3,114,808
One to five years	7,576,265	2,479,777
	\$ 14,452,036	\$ 5,594,585

Discount rates on unconditional promises to give ranged from 1.8% to 3.36% at June 30, 2016 and from 1.8% to 5.1% at June 30, 2015. Conditional promises to give at June 30, 2016 and 2015 were \$0 and \$700,000 respectively. Total fund raising expenses were \$6,261,415 and \$5,760,823 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### **NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS**

The fair value of investments at June 30 are as follows:

	2016	2015
Cash and cash equivalents *	\$ 12,048,198	\$ 5,739,434
Equity securities and funds	106,176,831	113,349,662
Venture capital partnerships	6,123,967	4,729,152
Private equity partnerships	33,083,345	43,178,137
Hedge funds	73,734,630	83,770,720
Fixed income securities and funds	43,621,651	42,230,384
Real estate and real estate funds	4,758,309	3,884,196
Commodity and other funds	9,930,756	4,849,939
-	\$ 289,477,687	\$ 301,731,624

\* Cash and cash equivalents include amounts to be advanced to underlying funds in the near term.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS - CONTINUED

The following schedule summarizes the total endowment return and other investment return including the change in value of split interest agreements and its classification in the statements of activities for the years ended June 30:

	2016								
			Т	emporarily	Pe	rmanently			
	Unrestricted			Restricted	Restricted			Total	
Interest and dividends	\$	153,747	\$	957,359	\$	1,727	\$	1,112,833	
Net unrealized and realized gains *		(1,999,485)		(12,512,642)		(674,959)		(15,187,086)	
Reclassified investment gains **		(2,505,310)		2,505,310		-		-	
Total investment return	\$	(4,351,048)	\$	(9,049,973)	\$	(673,232)	\$	(14,074,253)	
Less: Investment return									
designated for current operations		1,809,238		10,330,735		-		12,139,973	
Investment return less than spending formula and return for pooled funds and other funds	\$	(6,160,286)	\$	(19,380,708)	\$	(673,232)	\$	(26,214,226)	

	2015								
			Т	emporarily	P	ermanently			
	Unrestricted		Restricted		Restricted			Total	
Interest and dividends	\$	142,175	\$	836,482	\$	4,151	\$	982,808	
Net unrealized and realized gains *		312,919		1,001,249		1,617,854		2,932,022	
Reclassified investment gains **		(491,483)		491,483		-		-	
Total investment return	\$	(36,389)	\$	2,329,214	\$	1,622,005	\$	3,914,830	
Less: Investment return									
designated for current operations		1,877,949		9,716,308		-		11,594,257	
Investment return (less than) greater than spending									
formula and return for pooled funds and other funds	\$	(1,914,338)	\$	(7,387,094)	\$	1,622,005	\$	(7,679,427)	

\* Direct external management and custodial fees for the endowment investments and other College investments are charged to the investment portfolio and were \$1,626,093 and \$1,875,279 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Net unrealized and realized gains are presented net of these fees.

\*\* Certain losses which would cause individual endowment funds to be reduced below the historical dollar amount contributed by the donor have been allocated to unrestricted net assets. These losses resulted from unfavorable market fluctuations that occurred shortly after the investment of newly established endowments, and authorized spending in accordance with the endowment spending policy. The total losses allocated to unrestricted net assets were \$3,419,001 and \$913,691 at June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS - CONTINUED

Fair value of investments as of June 30, 2016 including investments measured at net asset value as a practical expedient:

						NAV
	Total	Level 1	Level 2		 Level 3	Measurement
Investments						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,048,198	\$ 12,048,198	\$	-	\$ -	\$-
Equity securities and funds	106,176,831	50,382,019		-	-	55,794,812
Venture capital partnerships	6,123,967	-		-	-	6,123,967
Private equity partnerships	33,083,345	-		-	-	33,083,345
Hedge funds	73,734,630	-		-	-	73,734,630
Fixed income securities and funds	43,621,651	43,621,651		-	-	-
Real estate and real estate funds	4,758,309	3,535,633		-	-	1,222,676
Commodity and other funds	9,930,756	5,436,887		-	 -	4,493,869
Investment total	\$ 289,477,687	\$ 115,024,388	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 174,453,299
Other assets						
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts Contributions receivable from	5,664,628	-		-	5,664,628	-
remainder trusts	6,007,953	-		-	6,007,953	-
Deposits with bond trustees	20,363,636	20,363,636		-	 -	
Total assets at fair value	\$ 321,513,904	\$ 135,388,024	\$	-	\$ 11,672,581	\$ 174,453,299

Fair value of investments as of June 30, 2015 including investments measured at net asset value as a practical expedient:

	,				1 1	NAV		
	Total	Level 1	Level 2		 Level 3	Measurement		
Investments								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,739,434	\$ 5,739,434	\$	-	\$ -	\$-		
Equity securities and funds	113,349,662	49,622,361		-	-	63,727,301		
Venture capital partnerships	4,729,152	-		-	-	4,729,152		
Private equity partnerships	43,178,137	-		-	-	43,178,137		
Hedge funds	83,770,720	-		-	-	83,770,720		
Fixed income securities and funds	42,230,384	42,230,384		-	-	-		
Real estate and real estate funds	3,884,196	3,396,248		-	-	487,948		
Commodity and other funds	4,849,939			-	 -	4,849,939		
Investment total	\$ 301,731,624	\$ 100,988,427	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 200,743,197		
Other assets								
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts Contributions receivable from	6,113,178	-		-	6,113,178	-		
remainder trusts	5,930,259	-		-	5,930,259	-		
Deposits with bond trustees	44,749,663	44,749,663		-	 -			
Total assets at fair value	\$ 358,524,724	\$ 145,738,090	\$	-	\$ 12,043,437	\$ 200,743,197		

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS - CONTINUED**

#### Significant Investment Strategies

#### **Equity Securities and Funds:**

The Equities category is globally diversified across public markets including domestic and international developed and emerging market equities. This includes investments in separate accounts, mutual funds and partnerships.

#### Venture Capital and Private Equity Partnerships:

The Private Equities category includes investments in limited partnerships that invest primarily in unlisted, non-public U.S. and non-U.S. domiciled companies. Private Equity includes venture capital (early-stage) and buyout (later-stage) investments. These investments are generally illiquid, with some partnership commitment terms of at least ten years.

#### **Hedge Funds:**

The Hedge Fund category includes investments in funds that invest primarily in the equity, debt, and derivative securities of U.S. and non-U.S. domiciled corporations. Fund managers hold long and short portfolio capital assets. Investments in hedged strategies are made in sub-strategies including event driven, distressed/credit, relative value, long/short equity and multi-strategy funds.

#### **Real Assets, Commodities and Other Funds:**

This category includes investments in limited partnerships that invest primarily in unlisted, non-public U.S. and non-U.S. real estate and investments in commingled vehicles that invest in natural resource assets and the equities of natural resource companies.

#### **Roll forward of Investments Classified as Level 3:**

		Value at	Re	ealiz	ed/Unrealized					Value at
	Ju	ine 30, 2015		Gai	ns/(Losses)	I	Purchases	Sales	Ju	ne 30, 2016
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	\$	6,113,178		\$	(448,550)	\$	-	\$ -	\$	5,664,628
Contributions receivable from										
remainder trusts		5,930,259			77,694		-	-		6,007,953
Total assets classified as level 3	\$	12,043,437		\$	(370,856)	\$	-	\$ -	\$	11,672,581

In accordance with standards for estimating the fair value of investments, the College conducted a review of changes between levels occurring during the year ended June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015 and there were no leveling changes.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS - CONTINUED

#### Redemption terms for investments measured at NAV as of June 30, 2016:

				enture Capital				leal Estate,	
	Equity Secu	urities	and	Private Equity			Co	mmodity and	
Redemption Terms	and Fun	ıds	]	Partnerships	Н	edge Funds	(	Other Funds	 Total
Within 30 Days	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,354,165	\$ 3,354,165
Monthly (10-120 days notice)	29,396	5,694		-		-		-	29,396,694
Quarterly (30-90 days notice)	9,355	5,144		-		28,441,250		-	37,796,394
Biannually & Annually (45-120 days notice)	15,339	9,751		-		43,141,716		-	58,481,467
1 - 5 years		-		3,975,125		26,144		1,222,677	5,223,946
6 - 10 years	1,703	3,223		35,232,187		2,125,520		1,139,703	 40,200,633
	\$ 55,794	4,812	\$	39,207,312	\$	73,734,630	\$	5,716,545	\$ 174,453,299

#### Redemption terms for investments measured at NAV as of June 30, 2015:

		Venture Capital			Real Estate,					
	Equity Securities		and Private Equity			Commodity and				
Redemption Terms	and Fu	inds	Partnerships		Hedge Funds		Other Funds			Total
Within 30 Days	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,849,939	\$	4,849,939
Monthly (10-120 days notice)	41,42	21,685		-		-		-		41,421,685
Quarterly (30-90 days notice)	10,17	74,249		-	:	31,843,757		-		42,018,006
Biannually & Annually (45-120 days notice)	10,63	36,303		-		50,381,878		-		61,018,181
1 - 5 years		-	7,	169,876		146,220		487,948		7,804,044
6 - 10 years	1,49	95,064	40,	737,413		1,398,865		-		43,631,342
	\$ 63,72	27,301	\$ 47,	907,289	\$	83,770,720	\$	5,337,887	\$	200,743,197

### NOTE 4 - LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT

Land, buildings and equipment consist of the following:

2016	2015
\$ 4,079,465	\$ 4,079,465
204,400,469	201,533,455
18,681,487	17,323,960
45,358,321	17,179,497
\$ 272,519,742	\$ 240,116,377
92,735,039	86,367,170
\$ 179,784,703	\$ 153,749,207
	\$ 4,079,465 204,400,469 18,681,487 45,358,321 \$ 272,519,742 92,735,039

#### NOTE 5 - LINE OF CREDIT

The College has a \$5,000,000 unsecured line of credit with interest at monthly LIBOR plus 1.75% with a minimum floor of 2.5% renewable on March 31, 2017. At June 30, 2016 and 2015, there was no balance outstanding on this line and there were no draws during fiscal years 2016 and 2015.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 6 - BONDS PAYABLE

In April 2006, \$37,990,000 of Series 2006B Revenue Bonds were issued by Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority ("MHHEFA") for the benefit of the College. The purpose of the issue was to renovate an existing chapel, construct a new residential village and a new dining facility, fund capitalized interest during the construction period, and fund other miscellaneous capital improvements and equipment acquisitions. In July 2015, all of the outstanding 2006B bonds were advance refunded.

In December 2008, \$15,895,000 of Series 2008D Revenue Bonds were issued by MHHEFA for the benefit of the College. The proceeds from the issue were used to extinguish the Series 2000A bonds which refinanced the construction of a student residence complex and renovations of Carnegie Science Hall, and the 2000B bonds which financed the construction of Pettengill Hall and improvements to the athletic facilities. The refunding converted variable interest rates on the Series 2000A and 2000B bonds to fixed interest rates on the Series 2008D bonds that range from 4.1% to 5.1%, resulting in an average interest rate of 5%. The Series 2008D bonds reach final maturity in 2022.

In April 2010, \$13,600,000 of Series 2010A Revenue Bonds were issued by MHHEFA for the benefit of the College. The purpose of the issue was to finance the renovation, overhaul and equipping of two residence halls for use as academic classrooms and offices, and to fund miscellaneous capital improvements and capitalized interest during the construction period. The interest rates for these bonds range from fixed rates of 3.3% to 5.3% resulting in an average interest rate of 5%. These bonds reach final maturity in 2040.

In November 2013, \$55,410,000 of Bates College Issue, Series 2013 Revenue Bonds were issued by MHHEFA for the benefit of the College. The proceeds were used to refund the Series 1997A bonds issued to construct a five -story academic building and a two-story maintenance building, and Series 2003B bonds issued to fund an electronic security access system and a new telephone system; to advance refund \$3,060,000 of the Series 2006B bonds; to pay for the construction of a student residence complex and renovate two existing residence halls; to pay for capitalized interest during the construction period; to fund miscellaneous capital improvements and equipment; and to pay for the costs of issuance. The interest rates for these bonds range from fixed rates of 3% to 5% resulting in an average interest rate of 4.9%. These bonds reach final maturity in 2043.

On July 8, 2015, \$27,790,000 of Bates College Issue, Series 2015 Revenue Bonds were issued by MHHEFA for the benefit of the College for the purpose of advance refunding all of the Series 2006B Revenue Bonds and costs of issuance. The interest rates for these bonds range from fixed rates of 3% to 5% with an average interest rate of 3.9% and reach final maturity in 2036.

The College has given a collateral interest in all its gross receipts and a negative pledge on the College's central facilities; a debt fund reserve has been established as collateral for the Series 2008D and Series 2010A bonds. The agreements contain various covenants regarding such items as additional permitted encumbrances, submission of financial statements and budgets, permitted dispositions and acquisitions of property, additional debt, and meeting certain debt coverage financial ratios.

Total interest expense for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 was \$2,344,116 and \$2,844,043, net of interest capitalized of \$2,140,203 and \$2,167,111 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 respectively.

The approximate maturities of these bonds are as follows:

2017 2018	\$ 3,330,000 1,885,000
2019	1,730,000
2020 2021	1,710,000 2,205,000
Thereafter	88,506,606
Unamortized original issue premiums and costs of issuance, net	398,145
Total	\$ 99,764,751

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 7 - NET ASSETS

Temporarily and permanently restricted net assets are composed of the following general classes of uses or purposes:

	20	)16	2015			
	Permanently	Temporarily	Permanently	Temporarily		
	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted		
Endowment, income to support						
Scholarships	\$ 63,543,056	\$ 35,124,154	\$ 57,142,713	\$ 43,778,548		
Professorships	25,183,827	8,329,657	17,799,951	10,789,020		
Library and other academic support	6,902,803	5,639,642	6,854,536	6,901,411		
Other purposes	20,716,372	3,864,048	20,401,291	5,319,401		
Any operation of the College	33,411,447	15,392,200	33,328,173	20,502,677		
Pledges	10,622,753	2,648,913	967,498	4,139,924		
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	5,664,628	-	6,113,178	-		
Life income funds	15,083,966	2,876,959	15,831,425	3,109,587		
Other purposes	-	14,596,619	-	14,958,307		
	\$ 181,128,852	\$ 88,472,192	\$ 158,438,765	\$ 109,498,875		

#### Changes in endowment net assets:

0	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Endowment net assets, June 30, 2015 Investment income Net realized and unrealized gains	\$ 36,915,668 153,747 (1,999,485)	\$ 89,059,026 957,359 (12,227,442)	\$ 135,526,664 1,727 371,039	\$ 261,501,358 1,112,833 (13,855,888)
Gifts and maturities Endowment return used in accordance with spending policy	500,072 (1,809,238)	- (10,330,735)	- 13,858,075	14,358,147 (12,139,973)
Reclassified investment gains Endowment net assets, June 30, 2016	(2,505,310) \$ 31,255,454	2,505,310 \$ 69,963,518	\$ 149,757,505	\$ 250,976,477
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total

Endowment net assets, June 30, 2014	\$ 38,829,038	\$ 96,694,172	\$ 128,368,915	\$ 263,892,125
Investment income	142,175	836,482	4,151	982,808
Net realized and unrealized gains	312,919	753,197	1,083,750	2,149,866
Gifts and maturities	968	-	6,069,848	6,070,816
Endowment return used in accordance with				
spending policy	(1,877,949)	(9,716,308)	-	(11,594,257)
Reclassified investment gains	(491,483)	491,483	-	-
Endowment net assets, June 30, 2015	\$ 36,915,668	\$ 89,059,026	\$ 135,526,664	\$ 261,501,358

#### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLANS

All eligible College employees are covered under the Bates College Retirement Plan which is a 401(a) money purchase plan. Contributions to this plan are by the employer only and were 9% of wages for fiscal years 2016 and 2015. All eligible employees may also participate in the Bates College 403(b) Retirement Plan and may receive a 50% matching employer contribution to the plan, based on the participant's salary reduction contribution up to a maximum of 6% of the participant's compensation.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLANS - CONTINUED

The College's contributions to these plans were \$4,900,309 and \$4,657,349 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Additionally, certain highly paid employees are eligible to participate in the Bates College 457(b) Supplemental Savings Plan. Contributions to this plan are by employees only. Under all plans, retirement benefits are individually funded and vested.

The College currently has an Early Retirement Plan offered to tenured faculty which provides certain incentives to retire. This Plan resulted in an expense of \$677,521 and \$680,895 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### **NOTE 9 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

#### **Investments in Partnerships**

Certain of the College's investments in partnerships involve future cash commitments. These future cash commitments represent venture capital and private equity partnership commitments and amount to approximately \$26 million at June 30, 2016.

#### **Commitments for Utilities and Construction**

The College has entered into contracts for utilities and capital construction projects with a combined total balance of approximately \$5 million at June 30, 2016.

#### **Contingencies**

The College is subject to certain legal proceedings and claims which arise in the ordinary course of conducting its activities. In the opinion of management, the College has defensible positions and any ultimate liabilities will not materially affect the financial position of the College.