

Welcome Bates New Faculty

Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to welcome 20 new colleagues to the Bates faculty this year. These teacher-scholars bring exciting new perspectives to the Bates community. Their talent and creativity will offer opportunities to grow in dialogue, and will provide exciting energy as we think about how we can continue to make Bates the most distinctive undergraduate education in the nation.

As someone who is also new to Bates, I am struck by the ways that this college creates dynamic, warm, and welcoming spaces for intellectuals who support our vision of the liberal arts in the world. Please join me in welcoming these scholars and teachers, and use this pamphlet as a prompt to reach out to meet the colleagues joining us in 2018.

Best wishes for an inspired academic year!

Malcolm Hill,
Vice President for Academic Affairs and
Dean of the Faculty



Carissa Aoki

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Carissa Aoki will be joining Bates as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies. Carissa is an applied ecologist working at the intersection of landscapes, disturbance, and risk. Some of her previous work dealt with wildfire and insect outbreaks, their impacts on forests, and the effects of landscape-scale variation on disturbance susceptibility. Carissa's current work continues to explore these topics, and she has begun to work on cityscapes and the socioeconomic drivers that influence urban environments. Carissa has a particular interest in engaging with stakeholders to put science to work, and currently is collaborating with web developers and the U.S. Forest Service to operationalize an insect susceptibility model she developed into a web tool for forest managers and the public.

Alexis Baldacci

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Alexis Baldacci will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in History. Her research explores everyday life and lived experiences of the Cuban Revolution through the lenses of consumer culture and the family. In 2018, Baldacci received her Ph.D. in History from the University of Florida, where her work received the support of a CLAS Dissertation Fellowship, the Linda Vance Award in Women's History, and a Rothman Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities.

Gabrial Bolaños

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Gabriel Bolaños will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in Music. Gabriel is a Nicaraguan-American composer of solo, chamber, orchestral, and electronic music. He is interested in computer-assisted-composition, auditory perception and linguistics, and often writes music that explores unusual timbres and structures. Gabriel enjoys teaching music theory, music technology, and music composition, with a special emphasis on helping students develop awareness of the creative process.

Louise Brogan

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Louise Brogan will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in Biology. Louise teaches Cell and Molecular Biology, Cellular Biochemistry, and courses related to bioinformatics and systems biology. With experience in protein biochemistry, and in vivo small animal models, Louise brought diverse technical skills to industrial positions in nanotechnology where she developed biocompatible molecular imaging agents targeted to specific disease signatures. Louise is now interested in using in silico approaches to characterize the massively complex human gut microbiome. In her spare time, Louise loves running, swimming, skiing, and spending time with her husband and 3 teenagers!

Laura Carlson Hasler

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Laura Carlson Hasler will be joining Bates as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Religious Studies. Originally from Gorham, Maine, Laura completed her Ph.D. in Religious Studies at Yale University this spring. She is interested in how colonialism, trauma, and recovery surface in the Hebrew Bible, especially how these texts refract imperial power and exert authority. She is currently revising her dissertation, "Ezra, Empire, and the Archive: Archival Historiography in Second Temple Judah," which identifies how certain literary forms in antiquity are shaped by archival spaces and symbolize communal recovery after momentous loss.

Carrie Diaz Eaton

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Carrie Diaz Eaton will be joining Bates as an Associate Professor of Digital and Computational Studies. Carrie earned her Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee in Mathematical Ecology and Evolutionary Theory. Her research revolves around complex-adaptive systems/dynamic networks in socio-environmental problem spaces. This includes, but is not limited to, applications in higher education, interdisciplinary collaboration, and collective action community networks. She has also advised undergraduate research in environmental science, disease ecology, and education.

Katie Dobkowski

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Katie Dobkowski will be joining Bates as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Biology. Katie is a marine ecologist and kelp enthusiast. Her research takes place in the intertidal and nearshore subtidal, focusing on population biology of the West Coast's bull kelp (*Nereocystis luetkeana*) as well as how marine communities respond to ocean change. She has taught a variety of undergraduate and graduate courses in the past, including marine biology, marine ecology, marine conservation biology, general ecology, and introductory biology, and she's helped teach field courses at Friday Harbor Labs and the National Institute of Biology in Piran, Slovenia.

Vincent Geloso

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Vincent Geloso will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in Economics. Vincent's main research interest is in the field of economic history, with a focus on the long-term measurement of living standards, economic growth, inequality, and human health and the political economy of institutions determining these outcomes. Ongoing projects seek to recreate historical national accounts for Canada from the seventeenth century to the present day. Other research projects include the political economy of health provision in Castrist Cuba and the historical provision of public goods by private actors. His articles have appeared in journals such as *Public Choice*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Health Policy & Planning*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Economics & Human Biology*, *Social Science Quarterly* and *Historical Methods*.

Joshua Goodman

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Joshua Goodman will be joining Bates as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Psychology. Josh's research focuses on psychological interventions to improve the mental health and well-being of LGBTQ people and communities. His teaching focuses on counseling and clinical psychology, including mental health, counseling theories, and multicultural psychology. He is interested in activities and class discussions that help students to explore systemic factors underlying psychological experiences and outcomes.

Myronn Hardy

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Myronn Hardy will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in English. Myronn is a poet and writer. His teaching interests include poetry and creative writing. He joins Bates after several years of university teaching in Morocco.

April Hill

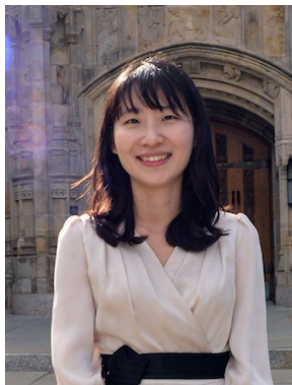
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April Hill will be joining Bates as a Professor of Biology. April is a developmental geneticist who studies the evolution and function of gene regulatory networks in the context of animal development and symbioses. She uses molecular and cellular approaches to answer her questions in the earliest branching animals, marine and freshwater sponges. Her teaching interests span areas such as genetics, genomics, epigenetics, evolution, and developmental biology. She also enjoys teaching interdisciplinary courses that allow students to focus on complex real-world issues such as climate change, drug resistance, stem cells and genetic engineering, and human evolution and race/racism.

Jiyoung Ko

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Jiyoung Ko will be joining Bates as an Assistant Professor of Politics. Jiyoung is an international security scholar with a regional focus on East Asia. Her research interests include alliance politics, nuclear proliferation, and nationalism. At Bates, she'll teach courses on international security, international politics in East Asia, and statistical methods. She received her Ph.D., M.Phil., and M.A. in Political Science from Yale University, and a B.A. and a M.A. in Political Science from Korea University.

Jonathan Kurzfeld

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Jonathan Kurzfeld will be joining Bates as Visiting Instructor in Economics. Jonathan is an applied micro-economist with an interest in criminal justice and political economy. His current research centers on behavior in prisons and his interests extend to politics, education, and environmental policy. He is very excited to explore the hiking, seafood, and culture of Maine and the broader Northeast.

Marcelle Medford

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Marcelle Medford will be joining Bates as a Mellon Diversity and Faculty Renewal Postdoctoral Fellow and Lecturer in Sociology. Her research and teaching interests lie at the intersection of urban sociology, immigration, race, and ethnicity. Specifically, she examines how black immigrants understand their own ethnically-specific identities in the United States. This shift in perspective explores how black immigrants produce ethnic boundaries that extend far beyond ethnic conflict with African Americans and incorporates dimensions of cultural performativity, nationality, political and class ideologies, transnationalism, and citizenship status.

Colleen O'Loughlin

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Colleen O'Loughlin will be joining Bates as an Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Colleen studies the bacteria that live inside and on our bodies, commonly referred to as the human microbiome. Specifically, she is interested in defining the chemical "words" produced by these bacteria and how those chemical words are "heard" by their human hosts. Learning the language that enables interactions between us and the trillions of bacteria that make their home on our bodies could provide new treatments for disease, novel diagnostic tools, and importantly, context to understand the interactions between bacteria and our immune systems that are essential for normal development. Colleen's laboratory will focus on the skin microbiome and will identify and characterize novel molecules synthesized on the skin and elucidate the role these molecules play in the development and progression of acne and eczema.

Michael Osei

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Michael Osei will be joining Bates as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics. His primary research fields are international finance, financial economics, and monetary economics. Using perspectives from both finance and economics, his research focuses on how international capital flows, cross-border spillovers, and the interactions between financial and macroeconomic conditions affect aggregate activity. Michael's teaching responsibilities include International Finance, Financial Management, Central Banking and the College Fed Challenge, and Macroeconomics.

Bruno Salazar-Perea

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Bruno Salazar-Perea will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in Biology. Bruno is trained as a physician and has a specialty in pediatrics. For the last few years he has been teaching different areas of health sciences. He is committed to engage with students and help them achieve the best of themselves. He is interested in general pediatrics, traumatic injuries, and toxicology. At Bates he'll be teaching anatomy and physiology.

Anelise Shrout

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Anelise Shrout will be joining Bates as an Assistant Professor of Digital and Computational Studies. Anelise holds a Ph.D. in history from New York University. Her research uses computational methods to explore the nineteenth century. She is particularly interested in the ways in which marginalized people were able to exercise agency in the face of oppression, and the potential for digital methods to recover their stories.

Nicholas Trautz

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Nicholas Trautz will be joining Bates as a Lecturer in Religious Studies. Nicholas studies the religious literatures and ritual traditions of Tibet and the Himalayas. He is currently completing his doctoral dissertation at the University of Virginia on a twelfth-century tantric scripture with great impact in Tibet, documenting the history of its exegetical and ritual traditions. Thematic interests include the idioms of violence and power in the Buddhist imagination, the capacity of narrative and ritual to underwrite personal agency and collective identity, and the curation of scripture in response to sociohistorical contexts. Nicholas lives at Hebron Academy, in nearby Hebron.

Catherine Whiting

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Catherine Whiting will be joining Bates as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Physics. Catherine's teaching is student-centered, involving team problem solving activities and discovery-based learning in introductory physics courses, and a flipped classroom format for upper-level majors courses. Her recent research interests have been focused in theoretical physics. Catherine investigates symmetries of string theory, a mathematically consistent description of particle interactions which unifies the four fundamental forces of nature.

Justine Wiesinger

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Justine Wiesinger will be joining Bates as an Assistant Professor of Japanese. Justine researches Japanese theater, film, and literature. Her recent research is especially focused on the intersection between performance and the disasters that occurred in Japan in March 2011 (earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disaster). She investigates how the uses of space, time, and the body in post-disaster performance affect the process of collective trauma creation and the re-negotiation of identity.

SCHEDULE OF FACULTY MEETINGS

ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019

Faculty Meetings are normally held on the **first Monday of each month at 4:15 p.m. in Memorial Commons**

September 17	(reception for faculty to follow)
October 1	
November 5	(Phillips Dinner & Presentation by Trian Nguyen, Art and Visual Culture to follow)
November 26	(Phillips Dinner & Presentation by Senem Aslan, Politics to follow)
January 14	(Phillips Dinner & Presentation by David George, Spanish to follow)
February 4	
March 4	
April 1	
May 6	(12:00pm – 1:00pm meeting with reception for faculty retirees to follow at 4:15pm)

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