# The Faculty Handbook of Bates College

revised 8/2009

Bates values the diversity of persons, perspectives, and convictions. Critical thinking, rigorous analysis, and open discussion of a full range of ideas lie at the heart of the College's mission as an institution of higher learning. The College seeks to encourage inquiry and reasoned dialogue in a climate of mutual respect.

Bates does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, marital or parental status, age, or disability, in the recruitment and admission of its students, in the administration of its educational policies and programs, or in the recruitment and employment of its faculty and staff.

# The Faculty Handbook of Bates College

The information in this *Handbook* is for the faculty of Bates College. It is edited annually by the office of the dean of the faculty, with changes and additions authorized by the Board of Trustees, the faculty, or appropriate administrative officers of the College. As each section is amended or updated, the revision date is noted at the end of the section. As information is updated on the Web version of the *Handbook*, faculty are informed and changes are highlighted in color.

Part 1 of the *Handbook* contains information on the rules and procedures of the faculty, including tenure and promotion and faculty governance (committee structure). Most of these rules and procedures are legislated by vote of the faculty. Parts 3 and 4 contain the College's policies on nondiscrimination and sexual harassment and affirmative action. Parts 2, 5, 6 and 7 offer information on benefits and support programs for teaching and scholarship; instruction of students; and information and library services.

This *Handbook* is not a complete compilation of the organization, procedures, and policies of the College. It must be supplemented by other official College resources, including the *Catalog*, the *Student Handbook* and the *Garnet Gateway*. The dean of the faculty's office Web site, <a href="http://www.bates.edu/dean-of-the-faculty.xml">http://www.bates.edu/dean-of-the-faculty.xml</a>, contains a wealth of information for faculty members on a wide range of topics.

The College also provides to all members of the Faculty an *Employee Handbook*. This handbook, which is available online at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/employee-handbook.xml">http://www.bates.edu/employee-handbook.xml</a>, is compiled by the director of human resources.

All members of the faculty are responsible for being familiar with the information in this *Faculty Handbook* and with the manual on employee benefits. Questions about this handbook should be addressed to the dean of the faculty, Lane Hall, 786-6066.

Jill N. Reich

Dean of the Faculty

## Contents

Faculty Organization and Procedures	
The Faculty of the College	1.1
Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion	
Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance	
Standing Committees of the Faculty	1.32
Faculty Benefits and Support Programs	
Salary	2.1
Benefits in Addition to Salary	2.2
Flexible Benefits Plan	2.2
Retirement	2.2
Tax Deferred Annuity Plan 403(b)	2.3
Health and Dependent Care Reimbursement Accounts	2.3
The Harry W. Rowe Tuition Grant Fund Program	2.3
Temporary Medical Disability Leave	2.4
Travel Accident Insurance	2.4
Information for Non-U.S. Nationals in Faculty Positions	2.5
Optional Retirement Program for Tenured Faculty and Physical Education Faculty	2.6
Faculty Emeritus/Emerita Guidelines	2.6
Programs in Support of Faculty Development and Research	2.7
Leaves and Release Time	2.5
Sabbatical Leave	2.5
Leave of Absence	2.7
Pre-Tenure Leave	2.7
Course Reduction for Faculty and Curricular Development	2.5
Grants, Professional Travel Allocations, and Other Support for Research	2.8
Bates Faculty Development Fund	2.8
Phillips Fellowships	2.8
Enhanced Sabbatical Program	2.8
Whiting Teaching Fellowship	2.8
Summer Research Apprenticeships	2.9
INBRE Grants for Faculty and Student Scientific Research	2.9
Barlow Fund Grants	2.9
Mellon Collaborative CCB Faculty Development Projects	2.9
NEH Foreign Language Grants	2.9
Other Student Assistance for Faculty Research	2.9
Professional Travel Allocations	2.10
External Grants	2.10
The Kroepsch Award for Excellence in Teaching	2.11
Nondiscrimination and Sexual Harassment - General Policies and Procedures	
Policies	3.1
Procedures	
College Policy Regarding Affirmative Action	A ·
Conege I oney regarding fulfilliative fiction	

#### Instruction

Faculty Teaching Load	5.1
The Faculty Advisory System	
Class Responsibilities	5.2
Examinations	5.3
The Grading System	5.4
Course Scheduling	
Administrative Course Procedures	5.7
Independent Study and Internship Courses	
Student Assistants/Teaching Assistants	5.8
The Junior Year and Junior Semester Abroad Programs	5.9
The Academic Calendar	5.9
Information and Library Services	
The George & Helen Ladd Library	
Hours	6.1
Collection	6.1
Online Services	6.1
Reference and Instructional Services	6.1
Circulation	6.1
Circulation Reserves	6.2
Audio Reserves	6.2
Use of Copyrighted Material	6.2
CBB Consortium	
Interlibrary Loan	
Use of Other Libraries	
United States Government Publications	
Audio and Video Recordings	
Purchase of Library Materials	
Edmund S. Muskie Archives and Special Collections Library	
Computing and Media Services	6.5
Miscellaneous Information	
Research Involving Human Participants or Animal Subjects	
Financial Disclosure Policy for National Science Foundation Investigators	
Procedures for Responding to Allegations of Misconduct in Scientific Research	
Foreign Exchange Visitors	
Jury Duty	
Commencement and Convocations	
Office of Communication and Media Relations	
The College Store	
Academic Administrative Assistants and Project Assistants	
Office Services	
Campus Post Office	
Parking	
Keys	
Identification Cards	
Event and Space Reservation Procedures	
College Emergency Procedures and Policies	
Policies for Holding Classes in Emergencies	

### Part 1: Faculty Organization and Procedures

#### The Faculty of the College

Bates College is operated under a charter granted by the State of Maine, which established a corporation and gave to it the authority to adopt by-laws for its governance. Article IX of the by-laws of The Charter and By-Laws of Bates College defines membership of the faculty, broadly defines its authority, and stipulates certain procedures. The entire text of Article IX is as follows:

#### By-Laws of Bates College, Article IX

SECTION 1: The faculty of the College will consist of the president, the deans, the chief financial officer, the registrar, the librarian, the principal assistant librarian, the professors, associate professors, assistant professors, instructors, lecturers, and the visiting professors. Designation as a member of the faculty confers the right to vote in faculty meetings and serve as a member of faculty committees.

SECTION 2: The terms and conditions of the appointment, reappointment, promotion, and retirement of all members of the faculty will be determined by vote of the Corporation under such rules of procedure and of tenure of faculty membership as may now or hereafter be provided by specific resolution of the Corporation.

SECTION 3: The government of the College, including the terms of admission, the bestowal of scholarships, the arrangement of courses of study, student discipline, and the control of student activities, will be vested in the faculty.

SECTION 4: For ceremonial occasions and in the publication of official catalogs, bulletins, or registers of the College, the members of the faculty will have seniority according to their academic grades or ranks (professors, associate professors, etc.) and within each grade or rank in the order of their first appointment to that grade or rank; provided further, that emeritus members of the faculty, as a group, and following the foregoing rule of seniority within their group, will stand between the president and the full professors still in the active service of the College.

SECTION 5: The faculty will make provision for the keeping of proper minutes of their doings and may, by rule, create such offices and so regulate their doings as will seem best calculated to promote their efficiency.

SECTION 6: If the president will so request, the members of the faculty will annually make to him/her a written report covering the work of their respective departments or fields of activity.

# Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion

Article IX, Section 2 of the *Charter and By-Laws of Bates College* governs the personnel policies of the College. The Dean of the Faculty provides all new members of the faculty with copies of Article IX of the *By-Laws* and with these *Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion* (hereafter, *Rules and Procedures*) at the time of initial appointment. The text of these *Rules and Procedures*, as legislated by the faculty, follows.

#### Article I: The Committee on Personnel

#### **SECTION 1: COMPOSITION AND SELECTION**

#### a) Function and Composition

The Committee on Personnel makes recommendations to the president in matters of reappointment, tenure, and promotion. The committee is composed of the president and the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and seven elected members of the faculty.

#### b) Election

By written ballot at its February meeting, the faculty elects the seven elected members for three-year, overlapping terms.

#### c) Nomination

The Committee on Committees and Governance shall present a slate of nominees to the faculty for the election of members to the Committee on Personnel, adhering to the following conditions:

- 1) All candidates must be tenured and must hold the rank of either associate professor or full professor.
- 2) In no case may an associate professor be nominated if election would mean that more than two associate professors would serve on the committee.
- 3) In no case may a full professor be nominated if election would mean that fewer than two associate professors would then serve on the committee.
- 4) Two members of the committee must hold full or part-time appointments in the division of the humanities, two in the division of the natural sciences and mathematics, and two in the division of the social sciences. At least one of these six members must have significant interdisciplinary experience, defined as one of the following: service for at least two years on a program committee, or holding a full or part-time appointment in an interdisciplinary program. The seventh member of the committee must hold a full or part-time appointment in an interdisciplinary program or have significant interdisciplinary experience, as defined above. This member may have a full or part-time appointment in a division, as well. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the February meeting of the faculty, but such nominations must conform to the same conditions.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 2: GENERAL INFORMATION FROM THE DEAN OF THE FACULTY

Near the beginning of each academic year, the dean of the faculty provides each member of the committee with rosters of the faculty, listing all members by rank, by years of service at the College, and by tenurial status. This information includes a calendar of particular decisions that must be made by month and date within the year and a further calendar of foreseeable tenurial decisions by year.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 3: GENERAL INFORMATION FROM THE DEAN OF THE FACULTY

Most dates below are subject to slight annual variations. Invariable dates are certification of the doctorate by 1 September, and notifications of decisions to be mailed by 30 November, 10 February, and 15 May.

- a) Calendar for Reappointment Decisions (Committee on Personnel, Committee on Personnel for Physical Education) Normally reappointment decisions shall be made by 30 November of the fourth year of full-time service.
- 15 October: candidate decides whether significant interdisciplinary service will be considered as part of the review. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 15 January: call for letters from the division chairs, the chair of interdisciplinary programs, and department and program colleagues; call for candidates' dossiers.
- 1 July: if the candidate chooses to have an examiner, he or she submits the name of the examiner to the dean of the faculty. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 22 August: candidates' dossiers due and open to examiners.
- 5 September: colleagues' letters due, and open to examiners.
- 25 September: dossiers opened to members of the Committee on Personnel.
- 25 October: Committees on Personnel send letters regarding clarification to candidates.
- 6 November: responses by candidates to letters from Committees on Personnel due.
- 15 November: recommendations due from the Committees on Personnel, for consideration by the president and for decision by the Trustees.
- 30 November: deadline for mailing of formal written notifications on reappointment decisions.
- b) Calendar for Tenure, Initial Four-Year Contract in Physical Education, and In-Depth Review in Physical Education Decisions

Normally tenure and initial four-year contract decisions shall be made by 10 February of the sixth year of full-time service. Normally in-depth reviews in physical education take place every sixth year.

- 15 February: candidate decides whether significant interdisciplinary service will be considered as part of the review. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 15 March: department/program chairs submit outside evaluator names; candidate submits outside evaluator names and an updated vita. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 1 May: selection and confirmation of off-campus evaluators; call for candidates' dossiers.
- 1 May: candidate submits names of student evaluators. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 1 September: call for letters from the division chairs, the chair of interdisciplinary programs, and department and program colleagues, and from students; mailing of candidates' materials to off-campus evaluators.
- 1 September: if the candidate chooses to have an examiner, he or she submits the name of the examiner to the dean of the faculty. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 15 October: candidates' dossiers due and open to examiners.
- 1 November: colleagues', students', and evaluators' letters due and open to examiners.
- 20 November: dossiers opened to members of the Committees on Personnel.
- 20 December: Committees on Personnel send letters regarding clarification to candidates.
- 5 January: responses by candidates to letters from the Committees on Personnel due. January: recommendations due from the Committees on Personnel, for consideration by the president and for decision by the Trustees at their January full board meeting.
- 10 February: deadline for mailing of formal written notifications on tenure decisions and on initial four-year contract decisions; deadline for mailing of formal written notifications on in-depth review decisions for colleagues in physical education.
- c) Calendar for Promotion Decisions

Normally decisions for promotion to full professor shall be made by 15 May of a colleague's sixth year in rank as an associate professor.

- 15 August: eligible candidates decide whether to stand. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 1 September: candidate decides whether significant interdisciplinary service will be considered as part of the review. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 1 October: call for candidates' dossiers.
- 1 October: department/program chairs submit outside evaluator names; candidate submits outside evaluator names and an updated vita. (Note: This is not a legislated date but one is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 1 November: selection and confirmation of off-campus evaluators.
- 15 November: mailing of candidates' materials to off-campus evaluators.
- 1 December: call for letters from division chairs, the chair of interdisciplinary programs, and department and program colleagues.
- 10 December: candidate submits names of student evaluators. (Note: This is not a legislated date but is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 1 January: call for letters from students.
- 1 January: if the candidate chooses to have an examiner, he or she submits the name of the examiner to the dean of the faculty. (Note: This is not a legislated date is necessary to meet future legislated deadlines.)
- 26 January: candidates' dossiers due and open to examiners.
- 15 February: colleagues', students', and evaluators' letters due and open to examiners.
- 8 March: dossiers opened to members of the Committees on Personnel.
- 29 March: Committees on Personnel send letters regarding clarification to candidates.

- 12 April: responses by candidates to letters from Committees on Personnel due.
- 1 May: recommendations due from the Committees on Personnel, for consideration by the president and for decision by the Trustees.
- 15 May: deadline for mailing of formal written notifications on promotion decisions.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 4: CONFLICTING RESPONSIBILITIES AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- a) Authors of letters who are members of the committee neither participate in deliberations nor vote on the cases concerning which they have written, nor do they review these dossiers.
- b) Associate professors on the committee neither participate in deliberations nor vote on promotions to full professor, nor do they review these dossiers.
- c) A chair of a department or program who is also the chair of the division or the chair of interdisciplinary programs writes as the chair of the department or program. The committee selects another appropriate tenured member to write in place of the division chair or the chair of interdisciplinary programs. The member selected must be notified of this responsibility early in the semester preceding the one in which the letter is due.
- d) A chair of a division or the chair of interdisciplinary programs who would be the only participating representative of the division or of interdisciplinary programs on the committee does participate in deliberations and voting but does not write. The committee selects another appropriate tenured member to write in place of the division chair or the chair of interdisciplinary programs. The member selected must be notified of this responsibility early in the semester preceding the one in which the letter is due.

#### e) Other Special Conditions

The dean of the faculty is responsible annually for recommending to the committee how to deal with anomalous situations as they may arise, such as a department or program with no tenured member, a chair standing for tenure, joint contractual arrangements, and the like. The dean shall consult with the candidate prior to any such recommendation, seeking full agreement and guaranteeing full knowledge of any exceptional procedures considered necessary.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 5: CONFIDENTIALITY

#### a) Written Materials

All evaluative letters from students and outside judges submitted to the Committee according to the provisions of Article IV shall be kept confidential by the committee, except for the provisions of Article I, Section 5(b), and the notification requirements of Article II, Section 6(b). All evaluative letters written by Bates colleagues may be read by the candidate once they are ready for the Committee on Personnel. The candidate's further rights of access are specified in Article VII, Section 6(c).

b) Privileges of the Director of Affirmative Action and Institutional Diversity

The College's AA&ID's office has access to all written material submitted to the committee, in accordance with procedures established in the College's Affirmative Action Policy.

#### c) Proceedings of the Committee

The deliberations of the Committee on Personnel on cases of appointment, reappointment, tenure, and promotion are confidential except according to the provisions of Article VII, Sections 5 and 6(a). Only the president or the dean of the faculty shall announce or may explain the personnel recommendations of the committee.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 6: COMMITTEE EXAMINATION OF THE DOSSIER

The committee shall select one of its members to examine each dossier and to certify to the committee, prior to its discussion of the dossier, that it seems both complete and correct.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 7: THE EXAMINERS

A board of four persons, all tenured members of the faculty, shall be elected for three-year, overlapping terms to serve as examiners of all written materials presented to the Committee on Personnel. The individual examiners function independently of one another and of the Committee on Personnel, and they may not serve concurrently on that committee. An examiner may not examine dossiers of department or program colleagues. Candidates for reappointment, tenure, or promotion may select any one of these four individuals to perform the following functions:

- a) To offer counsel to the candidate concerning the submission of written materials on that person's own behalf.
- b) To check the dossier prepared for the Committee on Personnel, prior to its consultation by the committee, for completeness and correctness; see Article III, Section 5 and 6, Article IV, and Article VI, Section 2.
- c) To state in writing to the dean of the faculty and the Committee on Personnel when the dossier seems both complete and correct.
- d) To advise the dean of the faculty of any incompleteness, so that it may be remedied prior to consultation by the committee, and to recheck for completeness thereafter, notifying the Dean and the candidate in writing of any remaining incompleteness.
- e) To advise the dean of the faculty of any material deemed "improper" by the criteria of Article III, Sections 5 and 6, and to request in writing that the dean remove it before consideration by the committee. If the dean declines, the examiner may request in writing, stating grounds, that the committee not consider the questionable material. The examiner must also inform the candidate in writing of the fact of any such request to the committee.
- f) To advise the dean of the faculty of any material suggesting the need for further clarification or response from the candidate. If the dean declines, the examiner may proceed as in Article I, Section 7(e).
- g) To maintain confidentiality according to the provisions of Article I, Section 5 above, subject only to the qualifications explicit in this Section 7.
- h) To check for completeness and correctness of the dossier and other material (with the exception of the minutes of the faculty Committee on Personnel) submitted to the Trustee Review Committee in case a candidate appeals a personnel decision.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 8: RESPONSES FROM CANDIDATES

During reviews of candidates by the Committee on Personnel for reappointment in the fourth year, for tenure, for promotion, and for lecturers on multi-year contracts, the following procedures shall apply: after the committee has made an initial review of all materials submitted, the committee shall write a letter to every candidate indicating as specifically as possible any points which the committee believes could be clarified by a response from the candidate, or indicating that no clarification is necessary. It is understood that the committee is not required to report to the candidate matters of substance, positive or negative, concerning the consideration of the candidate for reappointment, promotion, or tenure. The candidate has the right to respond to the committee in writing. The candidate may also bring up any matters on which the candidate would like to comment.

# Article II: Conditions and Schedules of Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion in Departments Other Than Physical Education

#### SECTION 1: ADMINISTRATIVE CONSULTATION BEFORE INITIAL APPOINTMENTS

Before an initial offer of tenure-track employment or of non-tenure-track initial appointments in a department or program can be extended to any person, the president or dean of the faculty consults with the department or program chair regarding the judgments of all department or program members in residence on the candidates.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 2: CONDITIONS OF INITIAL APPOINTMENTS

Tenure is granted in connection with an initial appointment only upon recommendation of the Committee on Personnel, and is not solely an administratively negotiable condition. See below, Article II, Section 8. Initial appointment may be made at any rank. Lecturers are not eligible for tenure.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 3: INITIAL CONTRACTS

To consummate the initial appointment, the president or his/her designee, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, and the appointee shall execute a written contract stating rank, salary, beginning and terminating dates of employment, fringe benefits, duties, and any special conditions specifically including credit for prior service as provided for below in Article II, Section 8. Joint contracts shall indicate as fully as possible what modifications, if any, in these *Rules and Procedures* are matters of agreement. In the absence of such written modifications, the presumption must be that these *Rules and Procedures* apply.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 4: SCHEDULES OF REAPPOINTMENT, TENURE, AND PROMOTION

#### a) Full-time Tenure Track

Initial appointments to full-time, tenure-track positions are for a term of four years. Reappointments to tenure-track positions are for a further term of three years. Decisions on tenure are made during the sixth year, and first consideration for promotion to full professor is made in the sixth full year in rank as associate professor. See below, Article II, Sections 8, 9, 10, and 13 for exceptions.

#### b) Part-time Tenure Track

Initial appointments to part-time tenure-track positions are for a term of five years. Reappointments to part-time tenure-track positions are for a further term of five years. Decisions on tenure are made during the ninth year, and first consideration for promotion to full professor is made in the sixth full year in rank as associate professor. See below, Article II, Sections 8, 9 and 10 for exceptions. Evaluations of part-time tenure-track faculty shall proceed according to Article II, Section 6, below, with the exception that evaluations by the Committee on Personnel occur in different years of service than for full-time tenure-track faculty.

Initial appointments to the rank of lecturer are for terms not to exceed three years. Reappointments of lecturers may be for one, two, three, or five years.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 5: FORMAL NOTIFICATIONS

Written notifications of reappointment or nonreappointment are mailed by November 30 for all lecturers and for all other persons serving in their fourth year. Written notifications of tenure are mailed by February 10 for all tenure-eligible persons, after which continuous service is presumed in the absence of a written notification to the contrary from either the individual or the College. See below, Article II, Section 13, and Article VII. Written notifications of promotion to full professor are mailed by May 15.

In the event that the president or the Board of Trustees does not accept a recommendation on reappointment, tenure, or promotion made by the faculty Committees on Personnel, such nonacceptance shall be stated in the letters of notification.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 6: EVALUATIONS

#### a) Departmental or Program Evaluations in the Second Year

For individuals on a four-year tenure-track appointment, an evaluation shall be conducted during the winter semester of the second year of teaching at Bates. The purpose of this evaluation is to inform the individuals of the department or program members' judgment of their job performance and to aid the individuals in any appropriate improvement.

For individuals with a single appointment in a department or program, the tenured members of the department or program shall conduct the evaluation. For individuals holding dual appointments, the tenured colleagues of the department(s) and/or program(s) specified in Article IV, Section I(c) shall conduct the evaluation.

When the individual candidate appointed in a single department or program has significant interdisciplinary service outside of that department or program, the candidate may ask the chair of interdisciplinary programs, in consultation with the candidate and with the chair(s) of the relevant programs and departments, to select one or two additional senior-ranking colleagues who are familiar with the candidate's areas of teaching and scholarship. These colleagues are

drawn from the past and present membership of the appropriate programs or departments. The chair(s) of the relevant program(s) and department(s) shall also write letters of evaluation.

Each tenured member shall write a signed letter of evaluation that discusses the individual's strengths and weaknesses in terms of teaching, scholarship, and service. These evaluations shall be based on the kinds of evidence cited in Article IV, Section 5(d), as well as on direct evaluation of scholarship. All tenured members give their letters to the chair(s) of the departments and/or program(s) in which the individual holds an appointment. The chair(s) read them and give them all to the individual by March 15. Once the individual has had an opportunity to read the letters, he or she and the chair(s) meet to discuss them. The chair(s) subsequently hold a meeting with all the letter writers to discuss the content of the letters, any disagreements, and departmental and/or program needs.

By April 15, the dean of the faculty shall receive a letter from the chair of the department and/or program and one from the individual evaluated stating that the evaluation has taken place according to these procedures. Unless an individual letter writer or a candidate chooses to submit copies of letters written in the course of the departmental and/or program evaluation, the Committee on Personnel will not see such letters.

#### b) Subsequent Years

Every notification of a personnel decision shall include a detailed evaluation of individual performance based upon the materials submitted to the Committee on Personnel and on its discussion of those materials. This evaluation shall include a statement of strengths and weaknesses, a discussion of their relative importance, and a full statement of the reasons for the recommendation. This statement ought to include discussion of student ratings and letters on teaching, colleagues' evaluations of research and teaching, and outside evaluations of research, if any. All written notifications must include all relevant information concerning institutional needs as they may limit the individual and concerning any percentage limitation or guidelines established by the Board of Trustees and announced by the president or the dean of the faculty. The individual may respond in writing, and any such response must be attached to the original summary statement in the personnel files and acknowledged by a reaffirmation or a revision of that summary from the dean.

#### c) Special Conditions

In the first and subsequent years, the dean of the faculty, the chairs of the departments and/or programs in which the individual holds an appointment, and the individual must make every effort to foresee and to communicate any special conditions for subsequent decisions on reappointment, tenure, or promotion. See Article I, Section 4.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 7: SUBSEQUENT CONTRACTS

In annual contractual letters mailed in duplicate by February 15, the College notifies each member of the faculty of his or her individual rank, salary, and benefits for the succeeding academic year. The signed original must be returned to the president by March 15, and the duplicate is retained by the individual.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 8: CREDIT FOR PRIOR SERVICE

Persons who have held previous appointments at other institutions may negotiate with the president or dean of the faculty at the time of the initial appointment at Bates for up to four years of teaching credit toward the tenurial decision, reducing or eliminating years spent in the initial four-year contract and adjusting the dates of formal notification accordingly. No such credit is assured. If four years of credit are granted, the initial and only contract prior to a tenure decision is for three years.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 9: EARLY CONSIDERATION

In special circumstances, an individual may formally request early consideration for reappointment, tenure, or promotion. The dean of the faculty brings any such request to the Committee with a recommendation for action. The Committee's action shall respect the spirit of Article III if not necessarily the full procedural letter of Article IV. See above, Article II, Section 2.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 10: DELAYED CONSIDERATION

Full-year leaves of absence may delay the schedule of reappointments, tenure, and promotion correspondingly. See <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Pre-tenure-leaves.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Pre-tenure-leaves.xml</a>.) Neither a single half-year leave of absence nor any Short Term leave delays this schedule. In cases of multiple half-year leaves or partial leaves, the individual seeking delayed consideration must take the initiative to petition the Committee on Personnel, which has authority to accept or deny.

A candidate for promotion to full professor may elect to delay the initial consideration by the Committee. Requests for a delay must be made in writing to the dean of the faculty.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 11: SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION FOR PROMOTION

Subsequent to the initial consideration for promotion, the candidate may elect a new consideration in any year. The candidate must state this in writing to the dean of the faculty by September 25. Such consideration does not involve solicitation of letters from outside evaluators or students, unless the candidate so requests. The committee shall decide whether to grant the request for additional letters.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 12: LIMITED TERM OF SERVICE AS INSTRUCTOR

No individual may be reappointed as an instructor for service in that rank beyond the fourth year.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 13: LIMITED TERM OF NONTENURIAL SERVICE

No individual may be reappointed on a nontenurial contract extending beyond the seventh consecutive year of full-time teaching on the faculty of Bates College. Lecturers, teaching less than full time, may be so reappointed. Part-time tenure-track faculty, teaching less than full time, may be so reappointed only in accordance with the schedule stated in Article II, Section 4. No other exception may be made unless an individual so requests and special circumstances such as serious illnesses justify exceptional delay of the decision on tenure.

Normally service on a temporary replacement appointment may not exceed three years. When a member of the faculty on such an appointment is a candidate and successfully sustains a competitive search for a tenure-eligible position, the committee need not consider the reappointment. When a colleague on a temporary appointment is needed by a department or program for a second or third year of temporary service, the committee need not consider the reappointment. All other reappointments of temporary colleagues shall be considered by the committee.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 14: RESIGNATIONS

Any member of the faculty who intends to terminate services at the end of an academic year is obligated to notify the College in writing of this decision not later than March 15.

# Article III: Criteria for Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion in Departments and Programs Other Than Physical Education

#### **SECTION 1: NEEDS OF THE COLLEGE**

#### a) Definitions

Needs of the College as finally determined by the president and the Board of Trustees govern all decisions on appointments, reappointments, and tenure. "Needs" may concern the financial resources of the College, the support necessary for academic programs approved by the faculty, the relationship of the individual's field to other fields of inquiry in the department(s) and/or program(s) in which an appointment is held, and the recognition of student interest. The need for a given position shall be established at the time of reappointment, that is, before the tenurial decision, subject to change as provided in Article III, Section 1(c).

#### b) Guidelines or Percentages

Because of such needs as specified in paragraph (a) above, the Board of Trustees may establish guidelines or percentages for limiting reappointments or tenure. If any guidelines or percentage limitations are set, they must be announced in writing to the faculty by the president or the dean of the faculty. Prior to such corporate establishment and administrative announcement, the faculty Committee on Conference with the Trustees must be given the opportunity to discuss the specific proposal and its rationale separately with the faculty and the Trustee Committee on Conference with the Faculty.

Ordinarily such guidelines or limitations will restrict only the aggregate numbers or proportion of tenured members on the faculty as a whole. Ordinarily they will not restrict by department, program, or division quotas the numbers or proportion tenured in the several departments, programs, and divisions.

Any guidelines or percentage limitations may be applied by the Committee on Personnel in such a way as to produce general compliance. The committee may exceed guidelines or percentage limitations in a given year, but a continued

practice of exceeding them would invoke Trustee review of the rules and procedures that govern appointment, reappointment, tenure, and promotion. The number or percentage of faculty members tenured in a department, program, or division may be a factor in the deliberations of the faculty Committee on Personnel.

#### c) Notification of Changed Needs

Whenever administrative reconsideration of the need for a position leads to a new determination, the president or dean of the faculty must notify in writing the individual, without awaiting the next scheduled review by the Committee on Personnel.

#### ARTICLE III, SECTION 2: GENERAL CRITERIA FOR ALL DECISIONS

#### a) Teaching

An excellent teacher has many strengths. Those sought by the committee include the following: knowledge of the subject; enthusiasm about the subject; organization of the course and subject matter; capacity to present abstract ideas and theories clearly; capacity to engage the class in the subject of lectures, discussions, or laboratories; encouragement of students to think for themselves; flexibility and willingness to experiment; reliability in meeting scheduled responsibilities; accessibility to students; fairness in examinations and grading. Academic advising is a normal part of a teacher's responsibilities, and it is evaluated as such.

#### b) Professional Achievement

The nature of professional achievement varies according to the field of the candidate. Achievement may take the form of research, writing, publication, or creative work and exhibition. The committee assesses evidence of the following strengths: recognition of the candidate's achievement within a field; significance of contributions to the field; quality and originality of thought or work; breadth and depth of perspective; the will and capacity for continued individual development and professional productivity as a member of the Bates faculty.

#### c) Professional Service to the Public

The College recognizes professional services that candidates render outside of their disciplinary institutions for the benefit of the public. Such service may take the form of advisory or educational work. The nature and extent of these contributions may vary from individual to individual.

#### d) Service to the College

The candidate is expected to contribute to the work of the College in ways other than teaching. Such service to the College may take the form of work within departments or programs, on the committees of the faculty, or in other activities of the College. The candidate may also serve the College through leadership in professional organizations, or with good citizenship in the community at large. The nature and extent of these contributions may vary from individual to individual.

## ARTICLE III, SECTION 3: PARTICULAR APPLICATION OF CRITERIA FOR TENURE-TRACK REAPPOINTMENT AND FOR TENURE

#### a) Reappointment

The standard for reappointment is performance and promise pointing toward eventual attainment of tenure. Although equal progress toward satisfying all the criteria for tenure is not required for any reappointment, tangible evidence of effectiveness in teaching and of professional commitment is a condition for service beyond the fourth year. Reappointment does not insure a future decision for tenure.

#### b) Tenure

The two chief criteria for tenure are excellence in teaching and significant professional achievement. Particularly outstanding achievement in either teaching or professional activity may offset a lower level of achievement in the other category. Every decision on tenure inevitably necessitates prospective judgment concerning the promise for further development.

#### ARTICLE III, SECTION 4: CRITERIA FOR PROMOTION

#### a) Promotion to Assistant Professor

The doctoral degree or another qualification appropriate to the field is normally the necessary and sufficient condition for promotion to the rank of assistant professor. Instructors appointed before receiving such a degree are promoted

automatically for the academic year immediately following, if institutional certification of completion reaches the dean of the faculty by 1 September.

#### b) Promotion to Associate Professor

Permanent tenure is the sufficient condition for promotion to the rank of associate professor. Individuals with prior service at other institutions may be appointed initially to the Bates faculty at this or higher rank.

#### c) Promotion to Full Professor

Continuing excellence in teaching and continuing significant professional achievement are the two chief criteria for promotion to full professor. Particularly outstanding achievement in one category may offset a lower level of achievement in the other. Continuing service to the College is also expected, although this criterion is less important than the other two. Time in rank alone is neither a necessary nor a sufficient qualification.

#### ARTICLE III, SECTION 5: ACADEMIC FREEDOM

The Committee on Personnel shall adhere to the ideal of academic freedom as defined by the 1940 *Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure* with the 1970 "Interpretive Comments" of the American Association of University Professors, see Web site <a href="http://www.aaup.org/AAUP/pubsres/policydocs/contents/1940statement.htm">http://www.aaup.org/AAUP/pubsres/policydocs/contents/1940statement.htm</a>.

#### ARTICLE III, SECTION 6: NONDISCRIMINATION

The committee may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, marital or parental status, age, or disability. The committee, however, shall consider any of these factors in accordance with the approved Affirmative Action policy of the College.

#### Article IV: Evaluative Procedures

#### **SECTION 1: EVALUATORS: FACULTY COLLEAGUES**

Tenured members of departments and programs, as well as the chairs of departments, programs, and divisions, and the chair of interdisciplinary programs, share ongoing responsibility for the evaluation of junior-ranking members. The Committee on Personnel requests evaluations from all such colleagues, as specified in Article IV, Section 1(a), (b), (c), and (d), at the scheduled occasions of reappointment, tenure, and consideration for promotion to full professor. At the beginning of each academic year, the dean of the faculty shall provide each tenured member of the Faculty with a two-year schedule of all reappointment, tenure, and promotion decisions for which that member shall be expected to write.

#### a) Evaluation of Candidates Appointed in Departments Only

For reappointment, tenure, and promotion decisions for persons holding appointments solely in departments, evaluators shall be selected from members of the faculty as follows:

- 1) The chair of the departmental division and the chair of the relevant department.
- 2) Senior-ranking colleagues in the candidate's department.
- 3) If there are fewer than three senior-ranking members in any department, the committee solicits letters from one, two, or three other senior-ranking members of the faculty selected by the chair of the division in consultation with the candidate and the chair of the department.
- 4) In consideration of promotion, division and department chairs write evaluations regardless of their ranks.
- 5) For anomalous situations, Article I, Section 4(e) of the Rules and Procedures of the faculty shall apply.

#### b) Evaluation of Candidates Appointed in Programs Only

For reappointment, tenure, and promotion decisions for persons holding appointments solely in interdisciplinary programs, evaluators shall be selected from members of the faculty as follows:

- 1) The chair of interdisciplinary programs.
- 2) The chair of the program.
- 3) To provide continuity, two senior-ranking colleagues (usually drawn from the appropriate program committee or the search committee) shall be identified at the time of the candidate's appointment by the dean of the faculty upon

recommendation of the chair of interdisciplinary programs, in consultation with the chair of the program and the candidate. These colleagues shall serve as permanent evaluators from the time of appointment through subsequent tenure and promotion decisions.

- 4) Two additional senior-ranking colleagues drawn from the membership of the program committee at the time of the call for letters for the candidate's first evaluation by the Committee on Personnel. These two additional faculty are selected by the Committee on Personnel from four names recommended by the chair of interdisciplinary programs, in consultation with the chair of the relevant program and the candidate. These colleagues shall serve as permanent evaluators from the time of the first evaluation by the Committee on Personnel through subsequent tenure and/or promotion decisions.
- 5) At the time of consideration for reappointment, tenure, or promotion, at the discretion of the candidate, one or two additional uniquely qualified senior-ranking colleagues who are familiar with the candidate's teaching and scholarship shall be selected by the Chair of Interdisciplinary Programs, in consultation with the chair of the relevant program and the candidate.
- 6) In consideration of promotion, the chair of interdisciplinary programs and the chair of the program write evaluations regardless of rank.
- 7) Recommendations for replacement of any of the individuals specified in (3) and (4) above due to illnesses, retirements, and the like shall be made to the Committee on Personnel from colleagues selected by the chair of interdisciplinary programs in consultation with the chair of the program and the candidate.
- 8) For anomalous situations, Article I, Section 4(e) of the Rules and Procedures of the faculty shall apply.
- c) Evaluation of Candidates Holding Dual Appointments

For reappointment, tenure, and promotion decisions for persons holding dual appointments (e.g., two departments, two programs, or one department and one program), evaluators shall be selected from members of the faculty as follows:

- 1) The chair of each relevant division and/or the chair of interdisciplinary programs.
- 2) The chair of each relevant department and/or program.
- 3) Four senior-ranking colleagues, two drawn from each of the departments and/or programs in which the candidate serves. To provide continuity, these four faculty shall be identified at the time of the candidate's appointment by the dean of the faculty upon recommendation of the chair of the relevant division and/or the chair of interdisciplinary programs, in consultation with the appropriate department and/or program chairs and the candidate. These colleagues shall serve as permanent evaluators from the time of appointment through subsequent tenure and promotion decisions.
- 4) At the time of consideration for reappointment, tenure, or promotion, at the discretion of the candidate, one or two additional uniquely qualified senior-ranking colleagues who are familiar with the candidate's teaching and scholarship shall be selected by the chair of the relevant division and/or the chair of interdisciplinary programs, in consultation with the relevant department and/or program chairs and the candidate.
- 5) In consideration of promotion, division chairs and/or the chair of interdisciplinary programs, and department and/or program chairs write evaluations regardless of rank.
- 6) Recommendations for replacement of any of the individuals specified in (3) and (4) above due to illnesses, retirements, and the like shall be made to the Committee on Personnel from colleagues selected by the chairs of the relevant divisions and/or interdisciplinary programs, in consultation with chairs of relevant programs and/or departments, and the candidate.
- 7) For anomalous situations, Article I, Section 4(e) of the Rules and Procedures of the faculty shall apply.
- d) Evaluation of Candidates Appointed in a Department, but with Significant Interdisciplinary Service For reappointment, tenure, and promotion decisions for persons in a department, with significant interdisciplinary service, evaluators shall be selected from members of the faculty as follows:
  - 1) The chair of the departmental division and the chair of the relevant department.
  - 2) Senior-ranking colleagues in the candidate's department.

#### At the discretion of the candidate:

- 3) The chair of interdisciplinary programs and the chair(s) of the relevant program(s) and/or department(s).
- 4) At the time of consideration for reappointment, tenure, or promotion, one or two additional senior-ranking colleagues who are familiar with the candidate's teaching and scholarship. These colleagues are drawn from the past and present membership of the appropriate program(s) and/or department(s) and shall be selected by the chair of interdisciplinary programs in consultation with the chair(s) of the relevant program(s) and/or department(s) and the candidate.
- 5) In consideration of promotion, division chairs and/or the chair of interdisciplinary programs and department and/or program chairs write evaluations regardless of rank.
- 6) For anomalous situations, Article I, Section 4(e) of the Rules and Procedures of the faculty shall apply.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2: EVALUATORS: STUDENTS

On behalf of the committee, the dean of the faculty requests evaluative letters from at least twenty students or former students, selected according to procedures approved and published by the Committee on Personnel, concerning candidates for the tenurial decision and at first consideration for promotion to full professor or senior lecturer. Note: In order to obtain approximately twenty responses, the Committee of Personnel may need to make requests of up to sixty students.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 3: EVALUATORS: QUALIFIED PROFESSIONALS ELSEWHERE

For all tenurial decisions and in the sixth year in rank as associate professor for all first considerations for promotion to full professor or senior lecturer, the College solicits four outside evaluations from qualified judges of the candidate's professional work. Once identified by the Committee on Personnel, all communication with outside evaluators concerning this evaluation originates with the College.

The judges are selected in the following manner. The candidate designates one judge and also provides an alternate name. In addition, the candidate submits six names of qualified persons with brief descriptions of their qualifications. The department and/or program chair also submit(s) six names with brief descriptions. If more than one department or program chair is involved in the evaluation, they submit jointly six names of evaluators, seeking a list of scholars whose work represents the range of the candidate's scholarship. These descriptions shall include each nominee's position, title, address, relevant publications, and past relationship to the candidate. Except in special circumstances presented by the candidate or the relevant department or program chairs and agreed to by the committee, no nominee shall be the candidate's dissertation advisor. Whenever possible, each nominee shall have a strong record of scholarship in the candidate's field of expertise. If a department or program chair is a candidate for tenure or promotion, the relevant division chair or chair of interdisciplinary programs provides the six names of outside evaluators. The committee then selects three names from these nominees or from others, nominated in the same way, informing the candidate of the names selected. The candidate may request reconsideration, but the committee or the dean of the faculty as its delegate makes the final decision on the three judges.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4: NEEDS OF THE COLLEGE

The dean of the faculty, the chair of the candidate's division and/or the chair of interdisciplinary programs, and the chair(s) of the candidate's departments and/or programs are separately responsible for including assessments of the needs of the College in their recommendations on each pretenurial reappointment.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 5: TEACHING

The attempt to evaluate teaching fairly and effectively necessitates different sorts of contributions from students, colleagues, and administrators.

#### a) Submissions from the Candidate

The candidate should provide a statement on teaching and may provide copies of course materials, including syllabi and examinations.

#### b) Students' Ratings

The Committee on Personnel, or other designated committee of the faculty, shall be responsible for soliciting student ratings of courses. This committee shall acquire such ratings systematically, on standard forms, and on specified days of a semester. The committee shall supervise the preparation of statistical summaries of the forms. These summaries shall be distributed to the dean of the faculty for the instructor's personnel file and to the instructor's department and/or program chair. The forms, together with any summaries or interpretations based on them, shall be returned to the instructor of the course evaluated.

#### c) Students' Letters

Students' letters evaluate the candidate's teaching, according to the criteria for teaching specified in Article III, Section 2(a).

#### d) Colleagues' Letters

Colleagues' letters must be based on factual evidence as well as personal judgment, and must specify such factual evidence, including the number and approximate dates of formal observations of classes. This evidence may include the following: after adequate notice to the instructor, observations of classes over a period of time and in different courses; syllabi, examinations, or other course materials; formal interviews with students; observation outside of the classroom concerning such qualities as rapport with and accessibility to students; and responsibility in meeting obligations.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 6: PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

The attempt to evaluate achievement fairly and effectively necessitates different sorts of contributions from the individual candidate and from qualified professionals.

#### a) Submissions from the Candidate

The candidate is responsible for submitting regular annual reports of professional activities, which become part of the dossier considered by the Committee on Personnel. Every candidate for reappointment, tenure, or promotion should also submit to the dean of the faculty for the Committee on Personnel a written statement of scholarly, artistic, or other comparable work in progress and of goals for the future. The candidate should submit copies of all successful grant proposals and all published articles or books. Finally, the candidate may submit any other relevant material, including all papers read to scholarly audiences, letters concerning scholarship, art, or equivalent achievement by professionally qualified persons. See above, Article I, Section 3, for calendar.

#### b) Colleagues' Letters

All colleagues writing according to the provisions of Article IV, Section 1, should incorporate evaluation of the candidate's professional achievement and promise.

#### c) Evaluations from Qualified Professionals Elsewhere

Outside judges, writing according to the provisions of Article IV, Section 3, should evaluate published materials, manuscripts, or equivalent work, for the quality of achievements, their significance within the discipline, and any evidence of ongoing development or future promise. All information submitted to the committee from outside judges shall be in written form. All committee requests for further clarification from outside judges shall be in written form. This procedure may also be followed at the time of other decisions, depending on the judgment of the dean of the faculty or the Committee on Personnel.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 7: SERVICE

The candidate should provide a cumulative list of committee service, with brief descriptions of particular contributions as seem appropriate. The candidate is also responsible for providing any other evidence of service to the College or the community at large. See Article I, Section 3, above for calendar. The committee may solicit further information about any aspects of this service.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 8: OTHER INFORMATION

The committee, after informing the candidate, may seek any other information that it deems to be relevant, and the dean of the faculty may present to it other materials from the candidate's file. All such material must be opened to the chosen examiner before submission to the committee. See above, Article I, Section 7.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 9: JOINT CONTRACTS

Individuals holding joint contracts shall be evaluated both individually and as a team. Before such evaluations, the dean of the faculty shall remind authors of letters and members of the committee that this evaluation must be in conformance with the requirements of the joint contract, i.e., jointly they shall serve the College in ways equivalent to a full-time teaching member of the faculty.

Evaluators should take particular notice that any possible quantitative standards of productivity used in the evaluation of individual holders of a joint appointment must be reduced in light of half-time employment.

# Article V: Criteria and Schedules for the Authorization of Lectureships and for the Appointment, Reappointment, and Promotion of Lecturers

#### Section1: The Needs of the College

#### a) Definitions

Needs of the College are defined in Article III, Section 1. The need for a given lectureship shall be established at the time of each reauthorization of the lectureship position.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 2: GENERAL CRITERIA FOR REAPPOINTMENT AS A LECTURER

#### a) Teaching

Excellence in teaching is a requirement for reappointment as a lecturer. The definitions of excellence in teaching are the same as those defined in Article III, Section 2, with the exception that academic advising is not required of all lecturers.

#### b) Professional Achievement

Excellence in professional achievement, in the form of research, writing, publication, or creative work and exhibition, is normally a requirement for the reappointment of a lecturer. Expectations for professional achievement shall be adjusted in ways appropriate to the part-time nature of a lecturer's position. In some cases, which will be determined by the dean of faculty, lecturers may be appointed with an understanding that professional achievement is not necessary or appropriate. In these cases, evaluators and members of the Committee on Personnel need not take professional achievement into account as part of their evaluation. The definitions of excellence in professional achievement are those listed in Article III, Section 2.

#### c) Supplemental Teaching and Service

Lecturers normally have responsibility for supplemental teaching or service activities in proportion to the number of courses they teach. For example, a lecturer teaching three courses is expected to assume approximately half the supplemental teaching and service responsibilities of a full-time faculty member with similar experience, length of service and degree. The kind of supplemental teaching and service may vary, but might include some of the following: teaching of independent studies; major advising; thesis supervision; committee service; first-year advising; serving on honors panels; advising student organizations; and development, supervision, and maintenance of teaching facilities. Appropriate forms of supplemental teaching and service for a lecturer will be agreed upon by the department or program chair(s) and the lecturer, summarized in writing, and must gain the approval of the dean of the faculty. This decision must take into account the lecturer's qualifications and yearly schedule, as well as department, program, and College needs. Contributions through supplemental teaching and service, where appropriate, are the most important criteria for the evaluation of lecturers, after teaching and professional achievement.

d) Professional service to the public, as defined in Article III, Section 2(c), may also be considered as part of a lecturer's evaluation.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 3: GENERAL CRITERIA FOR REAPPOINTMENT AS A SENIOR LECTURER

Candidates for the position of senior lecturer shall normally have achieved the terminal degree in their field, and have been employed by the College for thirteen years, or have arranged such credit for prior experience at the time of hiring. Continuing excellence in teaching and significant professional achievement are the two chief criteria for promotion to the rank of senior lecturer. Additionally, candidates for the position of senior lecturer shall demonstrate excellence in carrying out supplemental teaching and service.

### ARTICLE V, SECTION 4: GENERAL CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT AS AN ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

The title of "artist in residence" shall apply to lecturers whose teaching and professional achievement are in the creative or performing arts. Candidates for the title of "artist in residence" must engage in professional work appropriate to their field. Departments or programs wishing to appoint a lecturer as artist in residence shall make this proposal to the dean of faculty, who will make a final decision. Artists in residence shall normally be appointed and reappointed according to the same criteria and schedules as lecturers. In some cases, the form of teaching conducted by an artist in residence will be outside the normal format of classes; the dean of the faculty and the department or program will establish appropriate forms of evaluation.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 5: SCHEDULE FOR AUTHORIZATION AND REAUTHORIZATION OF LECTURESHIP POSITIONS

#### a) Initial Authorizations

Initial authorization of all lectureships shall be made by the president, upon recommendations from the dean of faculty and the division chairs. Initial authorization of lectureships expected to be continuing shall normally be for three years.

#### b) Reauthorizations

The dean of the faculty and division chairs may recommend to the president the reauthorization of a lectureship for any term from one semester to three years, depending on their determination of the needs of the College. Second and third reauthorizations of lectureships that are continuing shall normally each be for three years. Subsequent reauthorizations shall normally be for five years. Every lectureship position must be reauthorized, normally in the academic year previous to the last year for which it has been authorized.

#### c) Lecturers with a Primary Staff Appointment

The dean of the faculty and division chairs may recommend to the president that some persons whose primary appointment is for non-teaching duties may hold the appointment of lecturer, because their duties regularly involve non-classroom forms of teaching, or because the appropriate departments and/or programs have agreed that they are qualified to teach courses. After the initial appointment, this lectureship does not need reauthorization by the division chairs, but is dependent on the continuation of the staff appointment. In cases involving courses, the supervisor of the person's staff responsibilities shall decide upon the frequency of course offerings, subject to the agreement of the appropriate departments and/or programs, and subject to reappointment by the Committee on Personnel. Lecturers engaged in non-classroom forms of teaching shall also be evaluated by the Committee on Personnel. Personnel Committee evaluations shall be conducted according to the schedule in Section 6, below.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 6: SCHEDULE FOR APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT OF LECTURERS

#### a) Initial Appointments

Initial appointments for lecturers may be for any term from one semester to three years, depending on the authorization of the lectureship position. The initial appointment of a lecturer occupying a position expected to be continuing shall be for three years, with evaluation of that lecturer scheduled for completion in November of the third year of the lecturer's contract.

#### b) Subsequent Appointments

Second and third appointments of lecturers occupying positions expected to be continuing shall normally be for three years each. Fourth and subsequent reappointments of lecturers may be from one to five years, with evaluations scheduled for completion in November of the last year of the lecturer's contract.

#### c) Appointment as Senior Lecturer

Lecturers may be considered for promotion to the rank of senior lecturer after thirteen years of employment as a lecturer, or through credit for prior experience arranged at the time of hiring. A lecturer who meets the minimum years of service may choose to be evaluated for this promotion by indicating this decision in writing to the dean of faculty by 1 March preceding the reappointment decision. Subsequent to the initial consideration for promotion, a lecturer may elect a new consideration in any year, by stating this decision in writing to the dean of faculty by 1 March preceding the reappointment decision. Lecturers attaining the rank of senior lecturer no longer need to undergo evaluation by the Personnel Committee. The division chairs re-evaluate the need for the lectureship position every five years.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 7: EVALUATIVE PROCEDURES

The evaluation of lecturers shall take place according to the procedures described in Article IV, with the exception of Sections 2 and 3. For a lecturer not appointed in a department or program, the dean of faculty, in consultation with the lecturer, shall appoint suitable evaluators. As part of the reappointment of any lecturer, the Committee on Personnel may request letters from students. The number of letters requested from the students of lecturers being evaluated may vary, depending on the number of courses taught by the lecturer.

The evaluation of lecturers at first consideration for promotion to senior lecturer shall include both letters from students selected according to Article IV, Section 2, and letters from qualified professionals elsewhere, selected according to Article IV, Section 3. For lecturers standing for promotion to senior lecturer who engage in significant teaching outside the classroom, the dean of the faculty, in consultation with the lecturer, shall determine appropriate procedures for gaining student evaluation.

#### Article VI: Physical Education

#### SECTION 1: THE COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION

#### a) Composition and Selection

The Committee on Personnel for Physical Education makes recommendations to the president in matters of reappointments, four-year contracts, and promotion for members of the Department of Physical Education. The committee is composed of the president and the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and three elected members of the academic faculty of the College. The faculty elects these three members for three-year, overlapping terms at its February meeting. The Committee on Committees and Governance presents nominees to the faculty according to the following conditions: (1) all candidates must be tenured; (2) at least one of the elected members must be a full professor. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the February meeting of the faculty, but such nominations must conform to the above conditions.

#### b) Participation of the Athletic Director

The athletic director will be invited as a non-voting participant in the committee meeting to assist the committee in understanding the roles and responsibilities of each candidate being reviewed.

c) Article I, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 apply also to the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education and to all faculty members and head coaches serving in the Department of Physical Education. The yearly calendar of decisions stated in Article I, Section 3, shall be supplemented by the following dates: November 30 for notification of decisions on the renewal of a four-year contract except when involving an in-depth review, when notification of decision is February 10.

#### ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2: CONDITIONS AND SCHEDULES OF APPOINTMENT, REAPPOINTMENT, AND PROMOTION

a) Article II, Sections 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 14 apply also to members of the faculty serving in the Department of Physical Education. Article II, Sections 2, 8, and 13 apply also, but in regard to four-year contracts, not tenure.

#### b) First Contract -- Second-Year Review

The initial contract for faculty, head coaches, and athletics administrators in the Department of Physical Education shall be two years in length. In February of the second year of service, members of the faculty of physical education will be reviewed according to the procedures described in Article II, Section 6. If the second-year evaluation is positive, candidates for renewal will be recommended for an additional two-year contract.

#### c) Second Contract -- Fourth-Year Review

Faculty and head coaches in the fourth year of service will be evaluated by the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education according to the relevant procedures and schedule described in Article I and II. If the fourth-year evaluation is positive, candidates for renewal will be recommended for an additional *three*-year contract.

#### c) Ongoing Four-Year Contract -- In-depth Sixth-Year Review

Faculty and head coaches in the sixth year of service will undergo the in-depth evaluation as outlined in Article VI. Candidates who are positively reviewed as a result of the in-depth review process will be recommended for an ongoing four-year contract. Every six years after the initial four-year contract is granted, candidates for renewal will be reviewed

by the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education according to procedures consistent with Article VI and approved by the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education in consultation with the athletic director.

Ongoing four-year contracts are executed only with faculty members and head coaches in the Department of Physical Education. Individuals are considered for four-year contracts in the sixth year of service according to the schedule of reappointments and notification in Article II, Section 5 and 6. Once granted in the sixth year of service to take effect at the end of the sixth year, four-year contracts are renewed every year for a further four years unless and until the College decides to terminate employment, in which case a terminal three-year contract is executed. The committee or the dean of the faculty may call for an in-depth review at any time, if there are grounds for concern about a colleague's professional work.

#### ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3: CRITERIA FOR REAPPOINTMENT, FOUR-YEAR CONTRACT, AND PROMOTION

#### a) Degrees

The basic professional qualification for service beyond the seventh year normally consists of completing requirements for a master's degree appropriate to the field. A doctorate is neither a necessary nor a sufficient qualification for promotion.

#### b) Other Criteria

Needs of the College as finally determined by the president and the Board of Trustees must govern all decisions on appointments, reappointments, and four-year contracts. Excellence as a coach is the normal condition for appointment, reappointment, and promotion. The expected combination of coaching and teaching strengths for members of the Department of Physical Education is roughly comparable to the expected combination of teaching and scholarship for members of other departments and programs. At a small and selective liberal arts college, coaching is not measured exclusively by records of wins and losses. It also involves encouraging the development in individual students of such qualities as self-confidence, self-control, persistence, discipline, cooperation, and teamwork. Candidates should demonstrate the will and the capacity to maintain professional competence and to serve the College and the community. An excellent coach is an excellent teacher, and has many strengths. Those sought by the committee include the following: demonstrated knowledge of the sport(s): enthusiasm about the sport(s); organization of practices and games; capacity to present ideas and theories clearly; capacity to engage athletes in competition; encouragement of students to think for themselves; flexibility and willingness to keep current in the sport(s); reliability in meeting scheduled responsibilities; accessibility to students; fairness.

c) Article III, Sections 5 and 6 apply also to members of the faculty and head coaches serving in the Department of Physical Education.

#### ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4: EVALUATIVE PROCEDURES

Article IV applies also to the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education and to all faculty members serving in the Department of Physical Education, unless otherwise noted below.

#### a) Colleagues' Letters

Colleague letters should evaluate the candidate's professional achievement and promise as a coach and teacher. Colleague letters must be based on factual evidence as well as personal judgment, and must specify such factual evidence, including the number and approximate dates of formal observations of practices, games and/or classes. This evidence may include the following: after adequate notice to the coach, observations of practices/games/classes over a period of time; playbooks, practice guidelines, or other coaching/teaching material; information about recruitment processes and implementation; formal interviews with students; observations outside of practices/games/classes concerning such qualities as rapport with and accessibility to applicants/students; and responsibility in meeting obligations.

For reappointment and promotion decisions, in addition to the athletic director, evaluators shall be selected from members of the department who hold four-year contracts as follows:

1) Four colleagues shall be identified by the dean of the faculty upon recommendation of the athletic director, in consultation with the candidate. To provide continuity, these colleagues shall service as permanent evaluators from the time of appointment through subsequent promotion or reappointment decisions.

- 2) At the time of consideration for reappointment or promotion, at the discretion of the candidate, one additional uniquely qualified colleague who is familiar with the candidate's performance shall be selected by the athletic director, in consultation with the candidate.
- 3) Recommendations for replacement of any of the individuals specified in 1) and 2) above due to illnesses, retirements, or other reasons shall be made to the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education from colleagues selected by the athletic director, in consultation with the candidate.
- 4) For anomalous situations, Article I, Section 4(e) of the Rules and Procedures of the Faculty shall apply.

#### b) Students' Letters

On behalf of the committee, the dean of the faculty requests evaluative letters from at least twenty students or former students from the six-year period under review, selected according to procedures approved by the committee concerning candidates for the initial four-year contract, for the in-depth review of four-year contract holders, and at first consideration for promotion to full professor. Note: In order to obtain twenty letters, the committee may have to solicit up to sixty students.

#### c) Evaluations from Qualified Professionals Elsewhere

For candidates for the initial four-year contract, promotion, and as necessary, for the in-depth review of four-year contracts, four outside evaluators shall be selected in the same manner as prescribed in Article V, Section 3(c). These judges should evaluate the candidate's coaching and other professional activity on the basis of observation in intercollegiate athletics competition through association with the candidate in professional activities.

#### Article VII: Appeals

Necessarily, decisions on appointment, reappointment, tenure, and promotion are in some degree comparative and prospective, and it is not possible to specify in advance the full range of considerations that may be relevant to particular cases. Nevertheless, it is possible to specify necessary considerations, those specified above in the *Rules and Procedures*. Furthermore, it is possible to specify impermissible considerations, namely, any that would violate recognized principles of academic freedom or nondiscrimination.

#### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 1: TIME LIMITATION FOR APPEALS

Any appeal by a faculty member who was denied reappointment, tenure, or promotion must be made in writing to the dean of the faculty within 60 days after notification according to the provisions of Article II, Section 5. This appeal must state as fully and as factually as possible the basis for alleging violation of process. The appeal document, including any supporting material submitted by the appellant or any statements submitted by others, but excluding the minutes of the faculty Committee on Personnel, shall be checked for completeness and correctness by the examiner of the appellant's dossier prior to its submission to the Trustee Review Committee.

#### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 2: GROUND FOR REVIEW

The only ground for review is violation of process. Violations of process are defined by an alleged violation of the *Rules and Procedures* stated above in Article I through V, or are defined by an alleged violation of academic freedom or of the equal opportunity guarantees from Article III, Sections 5 and 6. "Academic freedom" is defined by the 1940 "Statement of Principles" and the 1970 "Interpretive Comments" of the American Association of University Professors.

#### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 3: PROCEDURES FOR INITIATING A TRUSTEE REVIEW COMMITTEE

After receiving from the faculty member who was denied reappointment, tenure, or promotion a written appeal that alleges violation of process, the dean of the faculty shall submit it to the president. The president shall request the chair of the Board of Trustees to convene the Trustee Review Committee, which shall report its findings to the president and to the appellant within 75 days of the time the appeal is delivered to the dean of the faculty. This report should respond to the substance of the allegations made in the appeal submitted by the faculty member.

#### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4: COMPOSITION OF THE TRUSTEE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Review Committee shall be composed of three members of the Board of Trustees, but not including the president or college counsel, who shall serve three-year terms according to a schedule which assures some continuity of membership. Whenever possible, at least one of the members shall have direct professional experience of academic life. No member of

the Board of Trustees who has previously reviewed the dossier of the appellant prepared for consideration by the Committee on Personnel in connection with the decision from which the appeal has been claimed may serve on the Review Committee. The Review Committee may elect its own chair.

### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 5: PROCEDURE IN CASES ALLEGING VIOLATION OF PROCESS OF THE RULES AND PROCEDURES

In cases alleging a violation of process defined as violation of the *Rules and Procedures* stated above in Articles I through V, the function of the Review Committee is limited to a determination of whether or not the faculty Committee on Personnel followed the *Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment*, *Reappointment*, *Tenure*, *and Promotion*. The Review Committee should be governed by the criteria specified above in Article III and should have access to materials specified in Article IV. The Review Committee shall also consider all materials submitted as part of the candidate's appeal, and material concerning the appeal submitted by others. The rule regarding the confidentiality of the deliberations of the Committee on Personnel (Article I, Section 5(c) shall not prevent submissions by individual members of the Committee on Personnel to the Trustee Review Committee. If the Review Committee finds substantive evidence that the faculty Committee on Personnel may not have met these standards, it shall return the case to the same committee, specifying in writing the inadequacy of the original consideration. This written response is also delivered to the appellant, but the appellant has no rights of access to confidential materials. This same faculty Committee on Personnel must then formally reconsider the case, including in its reconsideration material submitted to the Trustee Review Committee, and make a fresh recommendation to the president that either upholds or reverses the committee's original recommendation. The president, in turn, shall make a fresh recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6: PROCEDURES IN CASES ALLEGING VIOLATION OF PROCESS WHICH RESULT IN VIOLATION OF ACADEMIC FREEDOM OR OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

#### a) Function of the Trustee Review Committee

In cases alleging violation of process that result in violation of academic freedom or of equal opportunity as stated in Article III, Sections 5 or 6, the Review Committee has two functions. First, it must make preliminary inquiry into the allegation. The Review Committee shall also consider all materials submitted as part of the candidate's appeal, and material concerning the appeal submitted by others. The rule regarding the confidentiality of the deliberations of the Committee on Personnel (Article I, Section 5(c) shall not prevent submissions by individual members of the Committee on Personnel to the Trustee Review Committee. If neither the written appeal nor this preliminary inquiry discloses evidence sufficient to suggest that violation of academic freedom or of equal opportunity may in fact have occurred, the appeal shall be denied and the decision made by the Board of Trustees upheld. The appellant shall be so informed. Second, if the Review Committee does find such evidence either in the written appeal or in its own inquiry and if such violation was made by the faculty Committee on Personnel, then it shall instruct the president to convene the Faculty Review Board, and inform the appellant of such finding. If there is evidence of violation of academic freedom or of equal opportunity solely by the president or the Board of Trustees, then the Review Committee shall report it to the chair of the Board of Trustees for further Trustee consideration.

b) Composition, Selection, and Function of the Faculty Review Board and of Its Hearing Committee
The board shall consist of nine tenured members elected by the faculty for five-year terms. If a member is elected to the
Committee on Personnel or the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education, that member ceases to serve on the
board, and a new election is held. When a specific appeal comes to the board, five of its members are selected at random
to serve as the Hearing Committee. This random selection shall be conducted by the board. This Hearing Committee
may not include members of the departments or programs in which the appellant holds full or part-time appointments
or the appellant's division chair or chair of interdisciplinary programs. In cases alleging violation of academic freedom
or of equal opportunity on promotion to full professor, all members of the Hearing Committee must be full professors.
Each Hearing Committee elects its own chair.

The Hearing Committee selected for the appeal shall begin consideration within ten days of the president's informing the Faculty Review Board that an appeal has been directed to it. Such consideration shall be governed by the criteria specified above in Article III and shall involve access to all material specified in Article IV. The Hearing Committee may also conduct further inquiries relevant to the alleged violation. Upon completion of its consideration, the Hearing Committee shall make a fresh recommendation to the president which either upholds or reverses the original recommendation of the faculty Committee on Personnel. The president, in turn, shall make a fresh recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

#### c) Rights of Appellant

In any consideration of an appeal by a Hearing Committee, the appellant is guaranteed the following rights. First, the Hearing Committee must give at least seven days' advance notice of the date, time, and place of the consideration. Second, the individual, with or without the assistance of an advocate chosen from among colleagues on the faculty, shall have prior access to all written materials considered by the faculty Committee on Personnel and disclosed by further inquiries of either the Trustee Review Committee or the Hearing Committee. Third, the individual, with or without the chosen advocate, shall have the right to attend the consideration of the appeal by the Hearing Committee with an opportunity to question either written materials or spoken testimony and to present the appellant's case. After the presentation and examination of all evidence and of the case on behalf of the appellant, the Hearing Committee shall retain the right to continue consideration and to vote in confidence without the presence of either the appellant or advocate.

#### d) Rights of the Faculty Committee on Personnel

The president and the dean of the faculty, representing the faculty Committee on Personnel, have the same rights granted to the appellant, as specified above in Article VII, Section 6(c). The Hearing Committee may invite other members of the faculty Committee on Personnel to testify, or such members may request and be granted an opportunity to testify.

#### ARTICLE VII, SECTION 7: PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Members of the faculty and head coaches in the Department of Physical Education shall have the same rights of appeal, except that the Hearing Committee shall be governed by the criteria specified in Article V and shall have access to materials specified in Article V.

#### Article VIII: Termination for Cause

#### **SECTION 1: DEFINITION**

Termination of the appointment of a faculty member on contract without limit of tenure or within the specified term shall be effected only in cases of adequate cause as defined in the following statements.

- a) Gross neglect of duty resulting in a clearly inadequate performance as a teacher and as a member of the faculty.
- b) Physical or mental disability of such serious nature as to preclude acceptable performance as a teacher and as a member of the faculty.
- c) Personal conduct in flagrant conflict with the purposes of teaching and of scholarship and seriously detrimental to the College.
- d) Bona fide financial exigency of the College.

#### ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 2: PROCEDURES

Procedures to be followed in case of termination of a faculty contract for cause are detailed in the Appendix which follows and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Appendix to the Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion

#### PROCEDURES FOR TERMINATION OF FACULTY CONTRACT FOR CAUSE

#### a) Preliminary Proceedings Concerning the Fitness of a Faculty Colleague

When reason arises to question the fitness of a faculty colleague who has tenure or whose term of appointment has not expired, the president should ordinarily discuss the matter with the colleague in personal conference. The matter at this point may be terminated by mutual consent of the president and the colleague. If the matter is not terminated, the president and the President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee shall begin preliminary proceedings. During these proceedings the role of the president is to represent the College as it brings possible charges against the colleague; the role of the committee is to represent the interests of the faculty at large and to assist the parties in finding a resolution.

If the president believes that there are reasonable grounds to pursue the procedures of dismissal for cause, the preliminary proceedings begin with the president convening the President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee and presenting a written summary of the College's reasons, such summary having been previously given to the colleague. The committee then undertakes an inquiry consisting of an informal meeting with the appropriate administrative officer, an informal meeting (without the presence of College administrative officers) with the colleague unless he or she declines, and informal meetings with any others the committee deems necessary. The chair of the committee chairs this informal inquiry. Any member of the committee who is a member of the same department or program as the faculty colleague may not participate in this hearing. The completion of the informal inquiry must occur within five working days of the date the president presented the summary to the committee and will result in a resolution of the matter agreeable to all parties or, failing a resolution, recommendations to the president of ways to resolve the situation. These recommendations may include suggesting other College procedures.

Within three working days of receiving the committee's recommendations, the president must either notify in writing the colleague that no formal charges will be brought, or communicate those charges to the colleague as described in (b) below. The president may seek the assistance of the committee in formulating a statement of the charges. Any formal charges shall refer to one or more of the causes for termination given in Article VIII, Sections 1(a), (b), or (c).

#### b) Commencement of Formal Proceedings

The president will commence the formal proceedings by informing in writing the colleague of the charges formulated and stating that a faculty committee, duly constituted as provided in (d) below, will conduct a hearing to determine whether he or she should be removed from the faculty on the grounds stated. This hearing shall begin no sooner than 20 calendar days after the president presents the formal charges to the colleague. If during this period there is a mutually agreed upon resolution, these proceedings shall be terminated and the charges dropped. The president shall inform the faculty colleague, in detail or by reference to published regulations, of his or her procedural rights, through delivery to the colleague of the most recent updated *Faculty Handbook* of Bates College. The faculty colleague may give to the president a written response to the charges at any time prior to the hearing.

#### c) Suspension of the Faculty Member

Suspension of the faculty colleague during the proceedings is justified only if immediate harm to self or others is threatened by continuation in service. Unless legal considerations forbid, any such suspension shall be with pay. The president, representing the Corporation, shall determine whether suspension (as a temporary alteration of contract) is necessary during the proceedings.

#### d) Composition of the Hearing Committee

An *ad hoc* committee of the faculty is named for each occasion when informal proceedings do not succeed. Its voting members shall be seven tenured members of the faculty, two named by the president, two named by the faculty colleague, and three named by these four meeting together. These seven members elect their chair from among themselves and vote by simple majority. No member of the President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee may serve on a Hearing Committee. The Board of Trustees shall provide one of their number to be a nonvoting member of the committee. The Hearing Committee makes recommendations to the president and the Board of Trustees.

#### e) Committee Proceeding

The committee shall proceed by considering the statement of grounds for dismissal already formulated, as well as any written response from the faculty colleague. The colleague has the right to be heard, as described below in (f). If the colleague declines to participate in the hearing, the committee shall consider the case on the basis of the obtainable information and decide whether he or she should be removed. The committee, in consultation with the president and the colleague, shall exercise its judgment as to whether the hearing should be public or private. If any facts are in dispute, the testimony of witnesses and other evidence concerning the charges set forth in the president's letter to the colleague shall be considered by the committee.

The president shall have the option of attendance during the hearing. The president may designate an appropriate representative to assist in developing the case; but the committee should determine the order of proof, should normally conduct the questioning of witnesses, and, if necessary, should secure the presentation of evidence important to the case.

The faculty colleague shall have the option of assistance by counsel, whose functions shall be similar to those of the representative chosen by the president. The colleague shall have the additional procedural rights set forth in the 1940 American Association of University Professors *Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure*, and shall

have the aid of the committee, when needed, in securing the attendance of witnesses. The colleague or counsel, and the representative designated by the president, shall have the right, within reasonable limits, to question all witnesses who testify orally. The colleague shall have the opportunity to be confronted by all witnesses adverse to him or her. Where unusual and urgent reasons move the Hearing Committee to withhold this right, or where the witness cannot appear, the identity of the witness, as well as the witness's statements, shall nevertheless be disclosed to the colleague. Subject to these safeguards, statements may when necessary be taken outside the hearing and reported to it. All of the evidence shall be duly recorded. Unless special circumstances warrant, it shall not be necessary to follow formal rules of court procedure.

#### f) Consideration by Hearing Committee

The committee shall reach its decision in conference, on the basis of the hearing. Before doing so, it shall give an opportunity to the faculty colleague or the colleague's counsel and the representative designated by the president to argue orally before it. If written briefs would be helpful, the committee may request them. The committee may proceed to decision promptly, without having the record of the hearing transcribed, where it feels that a just decision can be reached by this means; or it may await the availability of a transcript of the hearing if its decision would be aided thereby. It shall make explicit findings with respect to each of the grounds of removal presented, and a reasoned opinion may be desirable.

Publicity concerning the committee's decision may properly be withheld until consideration has been given to the case by the Board of Trustees. The president and the colleague shall be notified of the decision in writing and should be given a copy of the record of the hearing. Any release to the public shall be made through the president's office.

#### g) Consideration by the Governing Board

The president shall transmit to the Trustees the full report of the Hearing Committee, stating its action. On the assumption that the board has accepted the principle of the faculty Hearing Committee, acceptance of the committee's decision would normally be expected. If the governing board chooses to review the case, its review shall be based on the record of the previous hearing, accompanied by opportunity for argument, oral or written or both, by the principals at the hearing or their representatives. The decision of the Hearing Committee shall either be sustained or the proceeding be returned to the committee with objections specified. In such a case the committee shall reconsider, taking account of the stated objections and receiving new evidence if necessary. It shall frame its decision and communicate it in the same manner as before. Only after study of the committee's reconsideration shall the governing board make a final decision overruling the committee.

#### h) Publicity

Except for such simple announcements as may be required, covering the time of the hearing and similar matters, public statements about the case by either the Faculty colleague or administrative officers shall be avoided so far as possible until the proceedings have been completed. Announcement of the final decision shall include a statement of the Hearing Committee's original action, if this has not previously been made known.

#### Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance

The following rules governing faculty organization and procedures for the accomplishment of faculty business were adopted by a vote of the faculty on November 6, 1967. Various additions and amendments have been made since then.

#### Article I: Membership and Responsibilities

#### **SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP**

The composition of the faculty shall be as given in Article IX, Section 1, of The Charter and By-Laws of Bates College.

#### ARTICLE I, SECTION 2: RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Faculty shall be as enumerated in Article IX, Section 3, Article X, Section 2, and Article XI, Section 3, of *The Charter and By-Laws of Bates College*.

#### Article II: Organization of the Faculty

#### **SECTION 1: OFFICERS**

- a) The president of the College in his/her capacity as the principal officer of the faculty shall preside at faculty meetings. In his/her absence, the president shall designate the dean of the faculty to preside or in his/her absence, the senior faculty member holding the rank of professor. The presiding officer shall have the right of debate without yielding the chair.
- b) The president shall appoint the secretary of the faculty whose duty it shall be to compile and maintain a complete file of the minutes of faculty meetings. He/she shall also keep on file in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty, copies of all faculty minutes and a record of attendance.
- c) The parliamentarian shall be appointed annually by the president.

#### ARTICLE II, SECTION 2: DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS, AND INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS

The faculty shall be divided into divisions, departments, and programs. Any additions or deletions may be initiated by the president subject to approval by the faculty.

Faculty members hold appointments in departments, organized into the divisions of humanities, natural sciences and mathematics, and social sciences, and also in interdisciplinary programs. The members of divisions elect one of their members as division chair; all faculty elect a chair of interdisciplinary programs. Faculty members have membership in a department, a program, or in any combination of departments and programs.

#### Article III: Faculty Meetings

#### **SECTION 1: TIME OF MEETINGS**

- a) Regular faculty meetings normally shall be held at 4:15 p.m. on the first Monday of each month during the fall and winter terms and during Short Term. If the specified day falls during a vacation or recess, the meeting normally shall be held on the first or second Monday following the vacation. Each year, the Committee on Committees and Governance shall provide the faculty with a list of any potential conflicts the normal faculty meeting schedule for the year presents, and recommends changes for the faculty to approve to that year's meeting schedule so as to avoid these conflicts.
- b) The first faculty meeting in the fall shall be held at the call of the president within a period of seven days after the first day of classes.
- c) Special meetings of the faculty may be called at the discretion of the president. The president shall also call a special faculty meeting at the written request of ten members of the faculty.

#### ARTICLE III, SECTION 2: ATTENDANCE AND QUORUM

- a) Members of the faculty are expected to attend all faculty meetings.
- b) A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the faculty not on leave.
- c) Members of the College community who may attend faculty meetings as non-voting observers include:
  - 1) all library staff holding the position of professional librarian;
  - 2) the associate and assistant deans of students;
  - 3) the associate deans of admissions and director of multicultural recruitment;
  - 4) the vice president for external affairs;
  - 5) the vice president for college advancement;
  - 6) the director of equity and diversity resources;
  - 7) the director of career services;
  - 8) the director of communications and media relations;
  - 9) the director of the health service;
  - 10) the director of human resources;
  - 11) the director of institutional planning and analysis;
  - 12) the director of multicultural affairs;
  - 13) the director of security and campus safety;
  - 14) the college chaplain;
  - 15) members of the information and library services management team;
  - 16) 3 student appointed by the Bates College Student Government for the year; 3 students may sign up individually to attend specific meetings;
  - 17) 1 student reporter from the *Bates Student* newspaper selected by the editorial board.
- d) The Committee on Committees and Governance will provide the faculty with names of the members of the Bates community who hold the offices listed in Article III, Section 2(c) 1-15, and will make any secretarial changes to the list required.
- e) At its first meeting of the fall semester, the faculty may vote to invite others to attend faculty meetings throughout an academic year. At the beginning of a specific faculty meeting, the faculty may vote to invite others to attend that particular faculty meeting.

#### ARTICLE III. SECTION 3: ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES OF ORDER

- a) The normal order of business shall be:
  - 1) Call to order
  - 2) Minutes
  - 3) Information by officers
  - 4) Unfinished business
  - 5) Action reports of committees
  - 6) Information reports by committees
  - 7) New business
  - 8) Discussion of non-legislative matters
  - 9) Announcements
  - 10) Suggestions for future action and discussions
  - 11) Adjournment
- b) The agenda for each regular faculty meeting shall be prepared by the Committee on Committees and Governance. It shall consist of a list of the items of business to come before the faculty meeting in the order in which they are to be presented, including matters of new business where possible. The agenda shall be distributed to the faculty at least five days before the meeting of the faculty and shall be accompanied by texts of resolutions, reports, or other relevant documents to be considered with the items.
- c) The first reading of deliberative legislation, under Article IV, Section 2(a) of the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*, shall not be conducted under Robert's Rules. Matters raised as "non-legislative matters," under section 8

of the order of business (Article III, Section 3) shall not be conducted under Robert's Rules. In all other cases Robert's Rules of Order shall be the authority for the conduct of faculty meetings except when in conflict with the By-Laws of the Faculty or the Corporation.

- d) The order of business and the rules and procedures governing the conduct of faculty meetings may be suspended by two thirds of those voting.
- e) The Committee on Committees and Governance may alter the normal order of business as stated in paragraph (a) when in its judgment the urgency of a particular item requires its being taken up earlier in the meeting than the normal order would indicate. Such alterations, if made, shall be indicated at the time the agenda is distributed to the faculty.

#### ARTICLE III, SECTION 4: VOTING

- a) All decisions shall be by a majority of those voting unless otherwise specified.
- b) Voting may be by voice, by a show of hands, by a standing vote, or by written ballot.
- c) The method of voting shall normally be decided by the presiding officer. A standing vote may be called for from the floor. A written ballot shall be used at the request of a majority of those voting.

#### Article IV: The Legislative Process

#### SECTION 1: THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND GOVERNANCE

- a) The president, *ex officio*, the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and four members of the faculty who have served on the faculty for at least three years shall comprise the Committee on Committees and Governance.
- b) The chair of the committee shall be the senior member of the faculty in terms of length of service on the committee.
- c) Chairs of *ad hoc* committees and of standing committees not listed under paragraph (a) and also a representative of faculty members submitting proposals shall be invited to the meeting of the Committee on Committees and Governance at which their proposal is under consideration.
- d) It shall be the duty of the Committee on Committees and Governance to review all legislation proposed by committees or other faculty members and to determine the disposition of the proposal in accord with Article IV, Sections 2, 3, and 4. The committee shall also review the proposal in terms of clarity of expression and harmony with existing rules. The Committee on Committees and Governance may return any proposal to the originator with suggestions for revisions. After reconsideration of the proposal, the originator shall submit the proposal in its final form to the dean of the faculty for inclusion with the agenda of the next faculty meeting or to such committee as the Committee on Committees and Governance shall have directed.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2: LEGISLATIVE ROUTES FOR PROPOSALS FROM COMMITTEES

a) The Committee on Committees and Governance shall determine whether the proposal is routine or deliberative legislation on the basis of the importance, complexity, and controversial nature of the proposal.

When in the judgment of the Committee the proposal requires only one reading, it shall be designated routine legislation and may be voted on at the same faculty meeting at which it is introduced. Deliberation of items designated as routine shall be conducted pursuant to Robert's Rules of Order.

Deliberative legislation shall require at least three readings extending over at least *three* regular faculty meetings. At the first reading there shall be opportunity for questions and explanatory discussion not subject to Robert's Rules; debate on the issues shall be confined to the second, third, and any subsequent readings. Those proposing new legislation may choose to defer the second and third readings for the length of time they deem appropriate.

b) The originating committee may revise its proposal after the first and second reading. The revised report is to be considered as previously introduced legislation.

- c) The Committee on Committees and Governance may, under unusual circumstances, authorize faculty action after only one reading for legislative proposals that would normally require three readings. Deliberation of such matters shall be conducted pursuant to Robert's Rules of Order.
- d) Committee proposals normally are submitted to the Chair of the Committee on Committees and Governance at least two weeks prior to the faculty meeting.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 3: LEGISLATIVE ROUTES FOR PROPOSALS FROM INDIVIDUALS

- a) The Committee on Committees and Governance shall route proposals from individuals in any one of the following ways.
  - 1) Refer the proposal to an existing committee. The agenda for the following faculty meeting shall include notice of the referral along with the text of the proposal. The committee to which the proposal has been referred must, within a reasonable period of time, submit a recommendation on the proposal to the faculty, including in its report the text of the original proposal.
  - 2) Recommend to the faculty that an *ad hoc* committee be established to consider and make a recommendation on the proposal. At least one of the originators of the proposal shall be a member of the committee. The *ad hoc* committee shall follow the procedure in paragraph 1 above. If the faculty rejects the recommendation to establish an *ad hoc* committee, the original proposal shall become deliberative legislation.
  - 3) Decide that the proposal requires no committee study and declare it routine or deliberative legislation to be handled according to Article IV, Section 2(a) and (c).
- b) The procedures of Article IV, Section 2(b), (c), and (d) shall apply also to proposals presented by faculty members other than committees.

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4: EMERGENCY LEGISLATION

New business of an emergency nature may be brought before the faculty by any faculty member or by a group of faculty members, whether an established committee or not, without prior submission to the Committee on Committees and Governance. In such cases, however, the faculty must first, by majority vote, decide whether to consider the proposal as a *bona fide* emergency measure. The motion for emergency status shall be nondebatable. If time permits, the proposal must be distributed to the faculty in written form prior to presentation.

#### **Article V: Faculty Committees**

#### SECTION 1: STRUCTURE AND PROCEDURAL COMMITTEES

#### **STRUCTURE**

- a) The designation and duties of standing committees of the faculty shall be determined by vote of the faculty. Any changes in the designation and duties of standing committees shall be effected in accordance with the provisions of Article VI.
- b) Special committees may be established as required upon vote of the faculty. When such a committee is established by the faculty, the faculty shall determine whether its members are to be elected by the faculty or appointed by the procedures specified below.

#### PROCEDURAL COMMITTEES

c) There shall be a **President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee**, which advises and consults with the president in matters of short-range and long-range planning and on any matters of concern to the faculty. The committee should meet with the president not less than once a month throughout the academic year. The committee may initiate proposals for short-range and long-range goals, respond to specific ideas and questions raised by the president, and be included in the evaluation of policies before they are adopted. The committee serves as the general channel of communication between the faculty and the administration of the College. The committee may also serve as consultants to Trustee committees considering long-range College planning.

The committee shall consist of the President, *ex officio*, three tenured, and three untenured members of the faculty. The members of the committee should represent the breadth and diversity of interests of the faculty.

The members of the faculty shall be elected by written ballot. Regular elections will be held at the February faculty meeting each year.

- d) There shall be a **Personnel Committee** composed of the president, the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and seven members of the faculty, each elected at the February meeting of the faculty for three-year overlapping terms. (See *Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment*, *Reappointment*, *Tenure*, *and Promotion*, Article I, Section 1.) The election of the seven members to this committee must adhere to the following conditions:
  - 1) All candidates must be tenured and must hold the rank of either associate professor or full professor.
  - 2) In no case may an associate professor be nominated if election would mean that more than two associate professors would serve on the committee.
  - 3) In no case may a full professor be nominated if election would mean that fewer than two associate professors would then serve on the committee.
  - 4) The three academic divisions and interdisciplinary programs must be represented by the seven elected members of the committee, as specified in Article I, Section 1(c), 4. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the February meeting of the faculty, but such nominations must conform to the same conditions.
- e) There shall be a Committee on the Evaluation of Teaching composed of the president and the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and five other members, at least two untenured and at least two tenured, appointed by the Committee on Committees and Governance.
- f) There shall be a Committee on Personnel for Physical Education composed of the president, the dean of the faculty, ex officio, and three members of the faculty, each elected at the February meeting of the faculty for three-year overlapping terms. (See Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion, Article VI, Section 1(a). The election of the three members to this committee must adhere to the following conditions:
  - 1) All shall be from the academic divisions of the faculty.
  - 2) All shall be tenured.
  - 3) One of the elected members shall be a full professor. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the February meeting of the faculty, but such nominations must conform to the above conditions.

- g) There shall be a Committee on Conference with the Trustees, which shall meet at least twice each year with the Trustee Committee on Conference with the faculty to discuss matters of mutual concern. The committee shall consist of six members elected by the faculty. Three members must be from the tenured ranks of the faculty. Two members shall be elected each year at the regular February faculty meeting for terms of three years. Voting shall be by written ballot. The chair, to be elected by the committee, shall be one of the members who has consecutively served longest on this committee.
- h) There shall be a Committee on Committees and Governance, consisting of the president, *ex officio*, the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and four elected members of the faculty who have served at Bates College for at least three years. Members shall be elected for a four-year term and normally one new member shall be elected each year at the regular February faculty meeting.

The duties of the Committee on Committees and Governance shall be to:

- 1) Appoint all faculty members of faculty committees save President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee, the Personnel Committee, the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education, the Faculty Committee on Conference with the Trustees, the Committee on Committees and Governance, the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar, the Committee on Faculty Scholarship, and those committees designated to be elected in Article V, Section 1(b).
- 2) Designate the chairs of all appointed faculty committees.
- 3) Where appropriate, designate the secretaries of all appointed faculty committees.
- 4) Prepare the slate of candidates for elected faculty committees for action by the faculty at the regular February faculty meeting. In its function of preparing a slate of candidates for the elected committees of the faculty, the senior member in length of service on the committee shall act as chair. The dean and president may take on advisory roles, but only by invitation from members on the committee.
- 5) Prepare a slate of candidates for the Board of Examiners, as specified in the *Rules and Procedures Governing Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion*, Article I, Section 7, to be elected by the faculty at its February meeting for three-year overlapping terms. The election of the four examiners must adhere to the following conditions: (1) all shall be tenured; (2) none may serve concurrently on the Committee on Personnel or on the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the February meeting of the faculty, but such nominations must conform to the above conditions.
- 6) Prepare a slate of candidates for the Faculty Review Board, as specified in the *Rules and Procedures Governing Appointment*, *Reappointment*, *Tenure*, *and Promotion*, Article VII, Section 6(b), to be elected by the faculty at its February meeting for five-year overlapping terms.
- 7) Review all legislation proposed by committees of other faculty members and determine disposition of the proposal in accord with Article IV, Sections 2, 3, and 4.
- i) There shall be a Committee on Faculty Scholarship, which promotes and supports the scholarly and professional work of the faculty. The committee advises and consults with the faculty and administration in matters of resources and infrastructure required for scholarly and professional work and distributes institutional funds designated for the support of faculty scholarship and professional activities. The committee shall consist of the dean of the faculty, *ex officio*, and four elected faculty members, one faculty representative from each academic division and the interdisciplinary programs. The faculty will be elected at the February meeting of the faculty for three-year overlapping terms.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 2: STIPULATIONS

- a) All committees, including those with student members, shall be committees of the faculty of Bates College, subject to its *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*.
- b) In making appointments and nominations to committees, the Committee on Committees and Governance shall seek to implement, in a manner consistent with the *Rules and Procedures* of the faculty, the College policy on nondiscrimination and affirmative action.
- c) All members of faculty committees shall be considered voting members with all the privileges and responsibilities attached thereto unless otherwise indicated in the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*.

- d) The term of office of both elected and appointed members of standing committees shall begin with the fall term.
- e) Continuous faculty membership on a committee, except for *ex officio* members, shall normally be limited to a term of four years.
- f) Vacancies occurring in the membership of the President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee, the Personnel Committee, the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education, the Committee on Conference with the Trustees, the Committee on Committees and Governance, the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar, the Committee on Faculty Scholarship, and the Board of Examiners shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term by special election. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Faculty Review Board because of sabbaticals or leaves will not normally be filled.
- g) Vacancies occurring in the membership of the appointed committees and boards may be filled for the balance of the unexpired term by the Committee on Committees and Governance.
- h) With the exception of the President's Advisory Committee and the Committee on Conference with the Trustees, the president and dean of the faculty shall be members *ex officio* of all committees and shall be notified of all meetings.
- i) Note: There is a **Student Committee on Committees**, selected by the Representative Assembly. The duty of the student Committee on Committees shall be to make recommendations to the Representative Assembly for student appointments to faculty-student committees, subject to approval of the majority of the membership of the Representative Assembly.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 3: STANDING COMMITTEES

- a) In addition to the procedural committees, i.e., the President's Institutional Planning and Advisory Committee, the Personnel Committee, the Committee on the Evaluation of Teaching, the Committee on Personnel for Physical Education, the Committee on Conference with the Trustees, the Committee on Faculty Scholarship, and the Committee on Committees and Governance, delineated in these *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance* in Article V, Section1, c-i, there shall be other standing committees of the faculty which are listed below along with certain stipulations in addition to those given in Section 2.
- b) All Faculty Committees.
  - 1) Academic Standing Committee dean of students, associate dean of students, and registrar, *ex officio*, five faculty.
  - 2) African American Studies and American Cultural Studies Committee seven faculty.
  - 3) Asian Studies Committee faculty members most directly involved with Asian and South Asian studies.
  - 4) Biological Chemistry Committee The chairs of the Department of Biology and the Department of Chemistry, and the faculty members most involved with the Program in Biological Chemistry.
  - 5) Classical and Medieval Studies Committee seven members.
  - 6) Environmental Studies Committee faculty who will design and oversee the major program in environmental studies.
  - 7) Graduate Fellowship Committee five members.
  - 8) Legal Studies Committee dean of students or associate dean of students, ex officio, two faculty.
  - 9) Medical Studies Committee dean of students or associate dean of students, ex officio, five faculty.
  - 10) Neuroscience Committee faculty most directly involved with the Program in Neuroscience.
  - 11) Scientific Reasoning and Quantitative Literacy Committee five tenure-track members from the faculty and one *ex officio* member from the Office of the Dean of Faculty.
  - 12) Teaching Development Committee dean of the faculty, ex officio, four faculty.
  - 13) Women and Gender Studies Committee seven faculty.

- c) Policy matters originating in the Academic Standing Committee and the Honors Committee shall be referred to the Educational Policy Committee for discussion and joint recommendation to the faculty.
- d) Faculty-Student Committees.
  - 1) Admissions and Financial Aid Committee four faculty, two students, dean of admissions, *ex officio*. Student members of this committee shall not be present for discussion of and shall not vote on cases involving individuals.
  - 2) Athletics Committee four members of the faculty outside the physical education department; four students; associate dean of students, ex officio.
  - 3) College Concerts Committee three faculty, three students.
  - 4) College Lectures Committee three faculty, three students.
  - 5) Curriculum and Calendar Committee registrar, *ex officio*; librarian or associate librarian, *ex officio*; four faculty, one from each of the divisions of natural sciences, humanities, and social sciences, and one from interdisciplinary program; two students. Student members will be selected according to the guidelines spelled out in Article V, Section 1(i).
  - 6) Educational Policy Committee six faculty, three students, dean of the faculty, ex officio.
  - 7) Extracurricular Activities and Residential Life Committee dean of students or associate dean of students, *ex officio*, vice president for finance and administration, *ex officio*, two faculty members who are advisors of major student organizations, two faculty members at large, and six students.
  - 8) First-Year Seminar and Writing Committee six faculty members, at least one coming from each academic division, two students.
  - 9) Honors Committee four faculty, one student.
  - 10) Library Committee six faculty, three students, librarian, ex officio.
  - 11) Off-Campus Study Committee three faculty, the director of off-campus study, *ex officio*, dean of students or associate dean of students, *ex officio*, two students. student members of this committee shall not be present for discussion of and shall not vote on cases involving individuals.
  - 12) Student Conduct Committee five full-time teaching faculty, five students.
- e) Faculty-Administrative Staff-Student Committees.
  - 1) Information Services Advisory Committee—three faculty members, two students, the information services management team, *ex officio*, and two *ex officio* administrative members chosen by the vice president for academic affairs.
  - 2) Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Planning Committee three faculty members, one student, the chaplain, *ex officio*, the dean of the students, *ex officio*, and three college administrators chosen by the vice president for academic affairs in consultation with the chair of the committee.
- f) Faculty-Staff-Student Committees.
  - 1) Budget and Finance Advisory Committee four faculty members, three students, the president, the dean of faculty, and treasurer, *ex officio*, and four other staff members chosen by the president.
  - 2) Committee on Environmental Responsibility three faculty members, three students, the environmental coordinator, *ex officio*, and additional staff and administrators appointed by the president or his/her designee in consultation with the environmental coordinator and chair of the committee.
- g) Faculty-Staff-Community Committees.
  - 1) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee at least three members, one a faculty member involved in animal research, one a doctor of veterinary medicine, and one a public member who is not involved in animal research, affiliated with the College, or related to anyone affiliated with the College.

2) Institutional Review Board — at least five members with varying backgrounds, one a faculty member whose primary concerns are in scientific areas, one a faculty member whose primary concerns are in nonscientific areas, and one person who is not affiliated with the College or in the immediate family of anyone affiliated with the College.

#### ARTICLE V, SECTION 4: BOARDS

In addition to the procedural and standing committees, there shall be the following boards of the faculty. Unlike other committees, boards do not meet regularly and, in some cases, never meet as a board.

- 1) Examiners four tenured members of the faculty, elected for three-year, overlapping terms, as stipulated in Article I, Section 7 of the *Rules and Procedures*.
- 2) Faculty Review nine tenured members of the faculty, elected for five-year terms, as stipulated in Article VII, Section 6(b) of the *Rules and Procedures*.
- 3) Judicial Educators two members of the faculty, chosen from among former members of the Student Conduct Committee.

## Article VI: Amendments

#### **SECTION 1: METHOD OF INITIATION**

Proposed amendments to these *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance* shall be first initiated at a regular faculty meeting.

#### ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2: METHOD OF VOTING

Notice of such proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of the next regular faculty meeting. Passage of the amendment shall require two-thirds of those voting.

# Standing Committees of the Faculty: Charge of the Committees

This section of the *Handbook* is not part of the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*, but serves as a description of faculty committees based on the various legislative actions of the faculty that established the committees.

Faculty committees are constituted according to Article V of the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*. Standing committees may be classified as (1) elected (and including or not including students), (2) appointed faculty, (3) appointed faculty-student, (4) appointed faculty-administrative staff-student, and (5) appointed faculty-staff-community.

## **Elected Committees**

PRESIDENT'S INSTITUTIONAL PLANNING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE. This committee "advises and consults with the president in matters of short-range and long-range planning and on matters of concern to the faculty. The committee should meet with the president not less than once a month throughout the academic year" (*Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*, Article V, Section 1(c)). It also serves as a board of inquiry in cases of termination of a faculty contract for cause (see *Appendix to the Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment*, *Reappointment*, *Tenure*, *and Promotion*, Part a).

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND GOVERNANCE. The duties of this committee are given in Article V, Section 1(h) of the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*.

COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL The duties of this committee are given in Article V, Section 1(d) of the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*.

COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION. The duties of this committee are given in Article V, Section 1(f) of the *Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE WITH THE TRUSTEES. A committee "which shall meet at least twice each year with the Trustee Committee on Conference with the faculty to discuss matters of mutual concern" (*Rules and Procedures of Faculty Governance*, Article V, Section 1(g)).

COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM AND CALENDAR. The committee has the functions of reviewing and approving curricular proposals that come within the structure of established educational policy and practice, and reporting these to the faculty in writing once a semester; of preparation of the annual academic calendar for presentation to the faculty; and of the review and approval of class and examination schedules, as presented to the committee by the registrar. The Committee on Curriculum and Calendar assists faculty in the development of general education concentration courses for General Education and certifies these courses for annual publication in the *College Catalog* on line or in print.

COMMITTEE ON FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP. This committee has the following responsibilities: 1) to encourage success in scholarly and professional work by facilitating discussions and solutions of problems related to the campus environment in which professional work is carried out, the acquisition of individual and institutional grant funds, and the development of strategies for establishing successful and sustainable research and professional activities programs; 2) to serve as a liaison between the faculty and administration, including the president, dean of the faculty, and the Office of College Advancement, in matters of financial, infrastructure, and time resources required for the faculty's scholarly and professional work; 3) to immediately assume the responsibility of distributing those funds designated as the Bates Faculty Development Fund. The distribution of funds from additional institutional granting programs may be tasked to the committee in the future by the dean of the faculty.

# Appointed Faculty Committees

ACADEMIC STANDING. The committee has these broad responsibilities: (1) to recommend to the faculty policy concerning academic standing, probation and dismissal, and related matters of the grading system; (2) to hear on appeal individual cases of students placed on probation or dismissed by failure to meet legislated criteria for good academic standing; (3) to hear petitions for readmission from students once academically dismissed; (4) to report statistical summaries concerning academic standing to the faculty after the close of the fall and winter semesters; (5) in conjunction with the Educational Policy Committee to recommend to the faculty policy concerning registrations and the assignment of credit; (6) to hear on appeal individual petitions concerning irregular registrations and credits, including

underloads, overloads, late registrations, late withdrawals, rescheduled final examinations, deferred course grades, changes in course grades, and transferred credits; (7) to review the administrative exercise of specified authorities as delegated by the committee to the dean of students and the associate dean of students according to faculty legislation.

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES AND AMERICAN CULTURAL STUDIES. This committee shall design and oversee these major programs, having the same authority over the programs and their student participants as normally is held by academic departments in regard to their major programs. In its design and oversight of the major programs, the committee shall insure that the following curricular arrangements are fulfilled: (1) introductory courses, one in African American studies and one in American cultural studies, shall be offered each year and be required of respective majors; (2) an upper-level methods seminar on topics in race, gender, class, and cultural analysis shall be offered each year and be required of students in both majors; (3) in both majors each student shall be required to complete satisfactorily a senior thesis; (4) appropriate courses taught within the several academic departments shall be cross-listed in the *Catalog* as offerings in one or both of these majors, and these cross-listings shall be with permission of the instructors; (5) the requirements in American cultural studies shall include no fewer than three courses in African American studies, as determined by the committee.

ASIAN STUDIES. This committee, established by faculty legislation in 1996, is responsible for the interdisciplinary program in Asian studies, which offers majors in Chinese, Japanese, and East Asian studies and minors in Chinese, Japanese, and Asian studies. Its duties include designating the major and minor requirements, overseeing student majors, approving thesis programs, recommending any general education contributions from the Asian curriculum, and evaluating colleagues teaching in Asian studies.

BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY. This committee oversees all aspects of the biological chemistry program. It assumes the obligations and exercises the prerogatives which characterize the collective staffs of departments.

CLASSICAL AND MEDIEVAL STUDIES. This committee, established by faculty legislation in 1982, has responsibility for overseeing the interdisciplinary Program in Classical and Medieval Studies. This responsibility includes designating the major requirements, overseeing student majors and their thesis advisors, recommending any General Education contributions from the classical or medieval curriculum. Responsibility also includes participation by some committee members in the evaluation of faculty colleagues holding teaching appointments in classics.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES. This committee, established by faculty legislation in 1995, has responsibility for overseeing the interdisciplinary Program in Environmental Studies. Normally comprised of no more than seven faculty, its membership is drawn from throughout the faculty. Its duties include designating the major requirements; developing the core curriculum; overseeing the academic program of student majors, including senior thesis, student internships, and independent study; recommending General Education contributions from the environmental studies curriculum; and evaluating faculty colleagues teaching in environmental studies.

EVALUATION OF TEACHING. The committee has the responsibility to study procedures involved in the evaluation of teaching and, in consultation with the Committee on Personnel: (1) to compose and, as necessary, to revise the student rating form necessary to implement Article IV, Section 5(b), of the *Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty*Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion; (2) to recommend acquisition of any necessary scoring apparatus and to consults on the computer programs necessary for statistical analysis of completed forms; (3) to consult on the proportion of all courses offered to be evaluated by such ratings; (4) to assist the Committee on Personnel in carrying out its responsibilities as defined in Article IV, Section 2; (5) to recommend to the Committee on Personnel procedures for the selection of student letter-writers according to the provisions of Article IV, Section 2; (6) to perform on behalf of the Committee on Personnel whatever tasks of selection are necessitated by the provisions of Article IV, Section 2; (7) to recommend and, as necessary, to revise the design and the language of the call letters necessitated by Article IV, Section 2; (8) to recommend procedures for the evaluation of advising as an expected part of the teaching obligation. The committee has full access to completed rating forms and statistical summaries, but it must respect the confidentiality essential in personnel matters.

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS. This committee serves as the screening committee for all fellowship applicants who must be nominated or recommended by the College. In cooperation with the academic departments and programs and the Office of Career Services, it also undertakes to encourage qualified students to consider graduate study upon completion of their college work. It serves also as the screening committee for all fellowship applicants who must be nominated or recommended by the College.

LEGAL STUDIES. In cooperation with the Office of Career Services, this committee serves as an advisory and coordinating body to those students interested in legal careers.

MEDICAL STUDIES. This committee shall serve as an advisory and coordinating body to those students interested in medical careers, and is responsible for the preparation of evaluations and recommendations of students to the medical schools.

NEUROSCIENCE. This committee has responsibility for overseeing the interdisciplinary Program in Neuroscience. Its duties include development and oversight of the major, including the requirements for the major; academic and thesis advising of majors; selection and supervision of staff; mentoring and evaluating of faculty members in the program.

SCIENTIFIC REASONING AND QUANTITATIVE LITERACY. This committee assists faculty in the development of courses that meet the scientific reasoning, laboratory experience, and quantitative literacy (SLQ) requirements of General Education and certifies these courses annual publication in the *College Catalog* online or in print.

TEACHING DEVELOPMENT. This committee shall promote excellent teaching at Bates College by: (1) sponsoring workshops and seminars on teaching development, (2) developing a collection of materials on pedagogy for faculty use, (3) serving as a resource group for faculty members seeking to develop their teaching, and (4) developing such other methods for promoting excellent teaching as the committee deems appropriate. The committee may also provide information about technical and other resources at the College that are available to faculty and communicate with the Committee on Evaluation of Teaching about modifications of the evaluation process that would enhance teaching development.

WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES. This committee shall design and oversee the major program, having the same authority over the program and its student participants as normally is held by academic departments in regard to their major programs. In its design and oversight of the major program, the committee shall insure that each year (1) an introductory course on women and gender studies and an upper-level seminar integrating such studies are taught exclusively as part of the major program, and (2) appropriate courses taught within the several academic departments are cross-listed in the *Catalog* as offerings in women and gender studies. The committee shall sponsor a faculty development seminar, which shall assist members of the faculty who wish to integrate women and gender studies into their curricular offerings or who wish to introduce new courses with a women and gender studies focus.

#### Appointed Faculty-Student Committees

ADMISSIONS AND FINANCIAL AID. This committee considers policy matters relative to the admission of new students and the granting of all forms of financial aid, including scholarships, fellowships, loans, and such prizes as are not specifically determined by other means. The committee's recommendations for policy change are submitted to the faculty for appropriate action.

ATHLETICS. This committee shall "(1) give careful attention to all matters pertaining to noncurricular athletics, and report to the faculty any information and recommend any legislation it shall deem advisable; (2) serve as an advisory committee to the physical education department on any matters pertaining to noncurricular policy and practice of that department. It is assumed that the unique perspectives of men's and women's athletics will be reflected by balanced representation on the committee."

COLLEGE CONCERTS. This committee is responsible for the arrangement and presentation of an annual College concert series.

COLLEGE LECTURES. This committee is responsible for the arrangement and presentation of an annual College lecture series.

EDUCATIONAL POLICY. This committee has the broad responsibility of review of the educational policy of the College, and of initiation of proposals to the faculty for changes in policy. The Educational Policy Committee is responsible for the oversight of the development and implementation of the College's General Education requirements.

FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR AND WRITING. This committee has the following responsibilities: (1) to work with participating faculty in seeing that proposed seminars reflect the purposes of the First-Year Seminar Program; (2) to present each year's program to the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar; (3) to offer an annual evaluation of the program to the program to the Committee on Educational Policy; (4) to assist faculty in the development of writing

courses for General Education (W) and to certify these courses for annual publication in the *College Catalog* online or in print; (5) to consider, in consultation with the dean of the faculty, requests for exceptions; (6) to supervise the Writing Workshop, and serve as an information resource on teaching writing.

HONORS. This committee shall: (1) set standards and procedures for the granting of honors; (2) admit students to honor study upon recommendation of department and program chairs.

LIBRARY. This committee shall sit as an advisory body to the librarian, who shall be an *ex officio* member. It shall also serve the faculty as the committee of first referral in all matters concerning the library.

OFF-CAMPUS STUDY. This committee has the following responsibilities: (1) to evaluate off-campus study programs other than those within the curriculum of the academic departments and to recommend any of them to the Committee on Educational Policy for possible approval by the faculty as programs available to students in the College; (2) to establish procedures for the selection of student applicants to such off-campus study programs; (3) to approve students for participation in off-campus study programs other than those within the curriculum of the academic departments and programs, including the junior year abroad.

STUDENT CONDUCT. This committee has the responsibility to make policy recommendations to the faculty regarding matters of student conduct; and to make decisions in student conduct cases referred or appealed to it under the faculty's "Judicial Procedures." The Committee consists of six faculty members and six students. The committee is co-chaired by a faculty member and a student. The faculty co-chair shall be one of the six full-time teaching faculty members appointed to the committee. The co-chair shall report to the faculty at the last regular faculty meeting of each semester on all action taken by the committee since the preceding report.

# Appointed Faculty-Staff-Student Committees

BUDGET AND FINANCE ADVISORY. This committee reviews information, offers advice to the president and the administration, and communicates with the community concerning (1) the development of both annual and multi-year budgets and (2) general issues relating to the College's finances and the economics of higher education.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. This committee's charge is to assist the environmental coordinator as he/she: (1) raises environmental awareness among all constituents of the College; (2) keeps abreast of research and developments that pertain to institutional sustainability; (3) recommends policies for adoption by the College that promote conservation, energy efficiency, and sustainable use of resources; (4) designs and coordinates events that encourage environmentally sound practices throughout the College; and (5) assesses the environmental state of the College on a regular basis. The committee will also communicate regularly with the faculty and other relevant campus groups.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND RESIDENTIAL LIFE. This committee brings together students, faculty, and staff to discuss issues of extracurricular activities and residential life. The committee is charged with monitoring and recommending changes in College policies affecting student life outside of the classroom. This responsibility includes: oversight of Bates College Student Government procedures for establishing new student clubs; meeting with members of the Bates community to discuss issues of extracurricular activities and residential life; fostering and coordinating the faculty's role in student residential life.

INFORMATION SERVICES ADVISORY. This committee advises the information services management team on operations, programs, and priorities concerning the information services needs of the Bates community. It aids in the review of strategic and operational Information Services plans and provides a forum to discuss problems and needs that should be addressed. The committee can propose legislation to the faculty on matters specially touching faculty concerns in computing and information technology, and it can discern faculty opinion on other technology and information policy issues through discussion at faculty meetings.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY PLANNING. This committee acts as the organizing body for the activities connected with the College's official annual commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

# Appointed Faculty-Staff-Community Committees

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE. This committee reviews classroom and research use of vertebrate animals to assure that animals involved are handled properly and humanely. The committee also inspects the animal colony.

#### FACULTY COMMITTEES

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD. This committee composed of faculty members and a psychiatrist from the local community, oversees research projects involving human participants. All faculty and student research projects supported by research grants involving human participants, all projects where individuals are not allowed to withdraw from participation, all projects where the research procedure poses any mental or physical risk to the participant, all projects where the anonymity/confidentiality of the participants cannot be guaranteed, all projects where deception is a part of the research design and all projects involving children under the age of 18 must be reviewed by the Institutional Review Board. The committee maintains guidelines on research protocol, fair and respectful treatment of subjects, issues of confidentiality, and informed consent.

# Part 2: Faculty Benefits and Support Programs Salary

Faculty salaries are reviewed annually. Recommendations on salary are made by the President to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, and upon approval by the Board are reported to the individual faculty member no later than February 15. Such recommendations may be based upon scholarly achievement and performance as a teacher, and upon the financial capabilities of the College. There are no automatic advances in salary.

The College reports to Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics of the Department of Education. The American Association of University Professors now receives its information on faculty compensation from this survey, and publishes pertinent indices in its spring issue of the AAUP bulletin, *Academe*.

The following minimum salaries are in effect for 2009-2010:

Instructor	\$55,000
Assistant Professor	60,000
*Associate Professor	74,000
* Professor	87,500

<sup>\*</sup>In rank with tenure

# Benefits in Addition to Salary

The College provides all its employees, including faculty members, with a manual of employee benefits and privileges. This information is available in the *Employee Handbook*, which is available online at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/employee-bandbook.xml">http://www.bates.edu/employee-bandbook.xml</a> or can be obtained from the human resources office. It is meant to supplement or complete the information provided in section of the *Faculty Handbook*.

Faculty benefits do not include College insurance coverage on personal belongings, including books and equipment, held in faculty offices, library studies, classrooms, laboratories, or personal residences, including housing belonging to the College.

# Flexible Benefits Plan ("Bates Benefits")

Bates College offers a flexible benefits program that provides a variety of benefit options such as medical insurance, dental insurance, long-term disability insurance, life insurance, and accidental death and dismemberment insurance (AD&D), as well as pre-tax reimbursement accounts for dependent care and health care. Within the flexible benefits program the College contributes toward the cost of the medical, dental, basic life and basic AD&D insurance. Details of choices and allocation options are available in the human resources office. Medical and dental insurance is also available for domestic partners, at the employee's expense through after-tax deductions.

# Benefits Eligibility for Faculty

Faculty benefits eligibility is based on the calculation, 5 courses = 1.0 FTE.

Full Benefits - teaching 5 courses (or course equivalents) or more per academic year in any combination.

Three-Quarter Benefits - teaching 3.5 - 4 courses per academic year for an FTE between .67 - .825

Half Benefits - teaching 2.5 - 3 courses per academic year for an FTE between .50 - .66

Not eligible for benefits - teaching fewer than 2.5 courses per year, not eligible for Bates College benefits for an FTE between .00 - .49.

For faculty, benefits are determined by the employment terms defined in the faculty member's contract, and the employment terms are binding in regard to eligibility for benefits:

- 1) if the length of the contract is one semester only, and the teaching responsibilities are for 2.5 3 course equivalents, the faculty member receives full benefits for that semester;
- 2) if the length of the contract is for one academic year, and the teaching responsibilities are for 2.5 3 course equivalents during any part of the academic year, the faculty member is eligible for half benefits for the length of the contract as specified.

# Retirement Benefits

Bates College maintains three separate plans providing retirement benefits.

# Bates College Money Purchase Pension Plan

The College supports a retirement plan in the Teacher's Insurance and Annuity Association/College Retirement Equities Fund.

Participation eligibility starts on the first of the month following one full calendar month of employment. The pension plan is a 401(a) defined contribution plan. Under this plan, benefits-eligible employees are guaranteed a defined contribution into the plan and the employee directs the investment of his or her contributions. The College contributes on an annual basis, 6.7% on the first \$16,850 of base earnings and 11% thereafter. Every January the 6.7% rate resumes until earnings exceed \$16,850.

Complete details of the Bates College Money Purchase pension plan are described in a Summary Plan Description provided to eligible employees, available from the human resources office.

# Tax Deferred Annuity Plan 403(b)

Bates College has established a 403(b) Tax Deferred Annuity plan, which is a supplemental retirement plan that provides employees with an additional opportunity to secure future financial security for retirement. All employees are eligible to participate in the 403(b); to participate employees must complete the appropriate enrollment form and sign a Salary Reduction Agreement.

Because contributions to a 403(b) plan are automatically deducted from an employee's pay before federal and state tax withholdings are calculated, the employee saves tax dollars now by having their current taxable income amount reduced. These contributions are not exempt from Social Security taxes or Medicare taxes. Employees can elect either a flat dollar amount or a percentage of their earnings.

Complete details of the Bates College Tax-Deferred Annuity Plan are described in a Summary Plan Description provided to eligible employees, available from the human resources office.

# Bates College 1% Match Plan

Bates College has established an additional 403(b) retirement annuity plan to aid benefit eligible employees in preparing for future financial security in retirement. As an incentive to participate, the College matches the employee's contributions up to 1% of the employee's salary. To be eligible for the match, the employee must be enrolled in and contributing to a retirement annuity under the Tax Deferred Annuity Plan described in the section above. Eligible participation starts on the first of the month following one full calendar month of employment.

Complete details of the Bates College Matching Plan are described in the Summary Plan Description provided to eligible employees, available from the human resources office.

# Health and Dependent Care Reimbursement Accounts

Bates College provides its employees with a tax-effective way to pay health and dependent care expenses. The program offers tax savings through two reimbursement accounts — a health care account and a dependent care account. The accounts give employees the opportunity to pay eligible health and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars. The health care account lets one save on taxes while paying for eligible health care expenses not covered by insurance plans. The dependent care account gives tax savings on dependent care expenses. Employees who use dependent care may also apply for a College Dependent Care Subsidy. This subsidy is distributed on a sliding scale, based on annual household income. Information about these accounts and the subsidy is available in the human resources office.

## The Harry W. Rowe Tuition Grant Fund Program

The following describes the Harry W. Rowe Tuition Grant Fund Program (the Rowe Fund), which is provided by Bates College for its employees on behalf of their children attending college.

ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION. Assistance from the Rowe Fund toward tuition for dependent children is available to each active or retired full-time faculty, administrative staff, and support staff member (or two persons sharing a single full-time employment appointment treated as a single full-time employee) who has met the applicable service requirement at Bates College. An active employee is one who is either employed as defined above or is on authorized leave, not exceeding one year in duration and from which the employee will return to full-time employment. For purposes of this program, a retired full-time employee is one who separates from full-time employment by the College on or after 1 January 2000, and does not continue in the workforce.

Effective 1 January 2000, Rowe Fund assistance is extended to the dependent child or children of an active or retired full-time member of the faculty, administrative staff, or support staff who is deceased, who has met the applicable service requirement, and whose date of death occurs on or after 1 January 2000.

SERVICE REQUIREMENT. For a faculty, administrative staff, or support staff member employed on or before 30 June 1988, eligibility for participation begins after two years of consecutive service. For a faculty, administrative staff, or support staff member starting employment after 1 July 1988, eligibility for participation begins after five years of consecutive service.

BENEFITS AVAILABLE. Bates College will provide tuition assistance at Bates or at any fully-accredited baccalaureate-degree granting institution on behalf of an eligible employee for the purpose of undergraduate educational assistance for dependent children. For more information, please consult the *Employee Handbook*, Section 331.

# Temporary Medical Disability Leave

In compliance with the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, the College grants faculty members leaves of absence in the case of temporary medical disability. The dean of the faculty considers leave requests, and recommends to the president to grant leaves, recommends that they be paid or unpaid, and recommends allocations for course replacements during the period of the leave based on department/program need.

To request a temporary medical disability leave, the faculty member must submit a written request to the dean of the faculty. A Temporary Medical Disability Leave Physician Information Form, available from human resources, must also be completed by the attending physician and sent to the human resources office.

The chair of the appropriate department or program and the chair of the appropriate division(s), in consultation with the dean of the faculty, will propose arrangements for the faculty member's classroom responsibilities.

The faculty member's position will be held open at least for the term of appointment specified in the current contract under which he or she was serving at the time of the disability. If the faculty member is tenured, the position will be held open for at least two years. A faculty member returning from a medical leave must submit a return to work authorization from his or her attending physician, usually in the form of a letter, which includes any limitations or restrictions.

Any member of the faculty who is unable as a result of a scheduled disability fully to meet his or her teaching obligations for a continuous period in excess of three weeks during a semester will, unless otherwise agreed between the faculty member and the dean of the faculty, be deemed disabled for the remainder of the semester and paid disability benefits for the entire period.

In the case of an extended leave for reasons of medical disability, full salary will be continued as specified in the faculty member's current contract, for up to six months. After six consecutive months of certified disability during which the benefits-eligible faculty member is unable to return to work, the faculty member may become eligible for a long-term disability insurance plan benefit. The plan provisions are such that after six months of total disability, payments of 60% of normal salary or wages, less any payments from Social Security, are paid monthly. The minimum monthly payment is guaranteed to be the greater of \$100 or 10% of the monthly benefit before deductions for other income benefits. The LTD program will also continue contribution to the eligible employee's pension plan. Details are available in the human resources office.

In the case of a *scheduled* disability leave, including one for childbirth, the faculty member must discuss plans with the department or program chair as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made to find a replacement to teach any course deemed essential to the department's curriculum. The semester in which the leave occurs shall be the two-course semester. In some cases, a faculty member may request a reduced teaching load due to a medical disability. In these cases, the teaching load and compensation are adjusted according to the circumstances of the situation, in consultation with the dean of the faculty.

When a half-year leave of absence is granted in combination with a disability leave, that year does not count toward the probationary period for tenure or toward years of service for determining promotion or other employment benefits.

#### Travel Accident Insurance

Any member of the faculty traveling on College business, which includes professional meetings, is covered against accidental injury or death up to the amount of \$250,000.

Those having questions regarding benefits should inquire at the human resources office.

# Information for Non-U.S. Nationals in Faculty Positions

Teaching and learning at Bates are greatly enhanced by diverse perspectives and life experiences of faculty and students. The College welcomes international faculty of high qualifications, and assists faculty members whenever possible in securing visas and permanent residency.

The Office of the Dean of the Faculty requires non-U.S. nationals teaching or hired to teach at Bates to pursue measures necessary to ensure that they can live and work in the United States legally. The non-U.S. national who has secured a faculty position must:

- 1) maintain current legal status in the appropriate visa category and notify the College of any anticipated change of status. Normally non-U.S. faculty members work at Bates on F-1 student visa optional practical training, H-1B visas, TN (Trade NAFTA) visas, or J-1 exchange visitor visas. NOTE: J-visa holders changing their visa to an H-IB visa must verify that they are not subject to the two-year foreign-residency requirement;
- 2) maintain a current passport and ensure his/her ability to travel outside of the United States and return legally in time to fulfill his/her teaching obligations to the College, and provide the dean of faculty's office with a photocopy of every new I-94 form (front and back);
- 3) initiate his/her own permanent-residency petition if appropriate (tenure-track faculty members are expected to seek permanent residency as soon as possible after beginning their service to the College). NOTE: The filing of the first part of this application *must* be completed within a *limited* time period (currently eighteen months) from the date the faculty member is *selected*;
- 4) manage all immigration matters pertaining to dependents;
- 5) bear expenses associated with immigration matters, including the compensation of immigration attorneys;
- 6) consult with the dean of the faculty before accepting salaries, stipends, or honoraria from any other institution, so that full compliance with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS) and Department of State (J-visa programs) regulations will be guaranteed;
- 7) inform the dean of the faculty's office when he or she travels outside the United States (J-visa holders and those with permanent residency pending);
- 8) inform the dean of the faculty and the director of human resources as soon as U.S. permanent residency is secured;
- 9) maintain and renew the lawful permanent residency authorization ("green card").

Faculty members are expected to register with the CIS if they are citizens or permanent residents of certain countries identified by the CIS as requiring registration. The dean of the faculty's office can provide information.

In its efforts to assist faculty members with alien visas and immigration matters, the College will:

- 1) prepare documentation for J-1 exchange visitor visas in the SEVIS database;
- 2) provide general information about H-1B visa and permanent-residency requirements;
- 3) provide information necessary for the preparation by the foreign national's legal counsel of a Labor Condition Application to the Department of Labor on behalf of the faculty member (required for an H1-B visa).
- 4) generate documentary materials as required to assist in the submission of a Labor Certification Application (PERM) required within eighteen months of hire so that it is on file if the faculty member ever decides to apply for permanent residency;
- 5) assist with supporting documentary evidence (such as copies of contracts, letters of support from the dean or department chair, etc.) as required;
- 6) provide a list of immigration attorneys available to assist non-U.S.-citizen faculty members at the faculty member's expense. Note: The College requires that faculty members retain attorneys with a specialty in immigration law, since general-practice attorneys are not always apprised of the frequent and complex changes in immigration regulations;
- 7) pay government filing fees to the CIS or U.S. Department of State for employer-based via petitions.

For additional information concerning non-U.S. nationals in faculty positions and guidelines for bringing exchange visitors (teaching assistants, short-term scholars, speakers, or visiting faculty or learning assistants) see Web site <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Visa-Guidelines.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Visa-Guidelines.xml</a>.

# Optional Plans Leading to Retirement: Program for Tenured Faculty and Physical Education Faculty

This program provides optional plans through which the College and a faculty member holding a tenured appointment and having at least fifteen (15) years of service to the College, or a full-time physical education faculty member with an ongoing appointment and having at least fifteen (15) years of service to the College may bring about a voluntary termination of the individual's tenured or multi-year faculty appointment. The specific terms of separation are set forth in a letter of agreement between the individual faculty member and the College.

The faculty members mentioned above are eligible until July 1 of the year in which the faculty member reaches Full Social Security Retirement Age to select on the options available leading to retirement. For more information, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/faculty-retirement-option.xml">http://www.bates.edu/faculty-retirement-option.xml</a>. These options are open indefinitely, but may be withdrawn or amended by the College at any time. A one-year notice is given of significant changes to the policy.

# Faculty Emeritus/Emerita Guidelines

# Eligibility

Generally, members of the faculty with 15 years of service to the College are eligible to be considered for emeritus status on retirement. In those unusual circumstances when a member of the faculty who has served for fewer than 15 years is recommended for emeritus status, consideration of contributions might include: leadership positions such as chair of a department, program and/or faculty committee, significant contributions as teacher and/or a scholar, or unique contributions to the curriculum.

# **Process**

For teaching faculty:

- 1) The department/program chair(s) or the dean of the faculty (after consulting with the senior members of the department/program) generally initiate recommendations for emeritus/emerita status.
- 2) Recommendations should include a curriculum vitae and a summary of the candidate's achievements.
- 3) Recommendations are made to the dean of the faculty for consideration by the appropriate personnel committee, which makes recommendations to the president for final decision by the Board of Trustees.
- 4) Emeritus rank of a teaching faculty is always raised to full professor except in the case of senior lecturers and lecturers.

For deans, the chief financial officer, the registrar, the librarian, and the principal assistant librarian:

- 1) Recommendations are initiated by the candidate's administrative superior.
- 2) Recommendations include a curriculum vitae and a summary of the candidate's achievements.
- 3) Recommendations are made to the president for final decision by the Board of Trustees.

#### For the president:

1) The president is granted emeritus/emerita status by action and at the discretion of the Board of Trustees.

# Eligibility Associated with Emeritus Status

Faculty with emeritus status:

- are listed in the College Catalog;
- receive identification cards permitting faculty library privileges and access to athletic/recreation facilities;
- are listed in faculty directory;
- are invited to process in the ceremonial occasions of the College;
- receive email access;
- receive campus-wide publications and announcements;
- receive a college parking tag;
- use official stationery when called on to act as reference for former students and colleagues or any other similar service;
- retain any special professorship title.

# Program in Support of Faculty Development and Research

Members of the faculty are expected to continue their professional development through participation in scholarly organizations, research, publication or other professional writing, or other professional activity appropriate to their disciplines. Annual reports of such development are made to the dean of the faculty, and become documents in the deliberations of the committees on personnel. In partial support of faculty professional development, the College provides certain programs cited below. These programs are contingent upon the financial resources of the College. Faculty members' concerns for professional development opportunities should be shared with the dean of the faculty.

Faculty members who are applying for research support from the federal government should refer to procedures listed under *Miscellaneous Information* in this handbook.

## I. Leaves and Release Time

Members of the faculty who are on the tenure track or tenured, or who are in ongoing lectureship positions (see below), are eligible for professional leaves to carry out specific curricular projects or scholarly research. Such leaves are granted by the College upon application (see below), and with the approval of the president, upon recommendation from the dean of the faculty. All leaves shall be compatible with basic curricular obligations of the departments and program. All half-year leaves must be in the semester when the teaching load is two courses.

To be eligible for paid leaves, faculty members shall be teaching full time in the College for no fewer than three consecutive years between leaves of any kind. Exceptions are granted for medical disability leaves.

#### A. SABBATICAL LEAVE

A full-time faculty member becomes eligible for a first sabbatical leave after permanent tenure, or initial four-year contract, has been attained, and a period of twelve semesters of full-time teaching at Bates has elapsed. Unless the faculty member joins the faculty with credit toward the preliminary period for tenure or is awarded a pre-tenure leave, the faculty member would notify the Dean of the Faculty's Office in her/his fourteenth semester of service, that is the year following the granting of tenure, of the intention to apply for a sabbatical leave to be taken during the next academic year. For deadlines and guidelines and for information on leaves for lecturers, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Sabbatical-Leaves.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Sabbatical-Leaves.xml</a>.

## B. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

For purposes of professional development, members of the faculty may apply for leaves of absence. When a leave of absence is required to accept a postdoctoral fellowship or other research grant, the dean of the faculty must approve of the application for the fellowship or grant prior to its application deadline. When a leave of absence is granted, any contractual agreement between the faculty member and the College is suspended during the period of leave. Faculty members granted a leave of absence are expected to return to the College. For deadlines and guidelines, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/leave-absence.xml">http://www.bates.edu/leave-absence.xml</a>.

#### C. Pre-Tenure Leave

An assistant professor on the tenure track is eligible for a one-semester leave with pay and benefits after three years of full-time teaching in the College, subject to the conditions stated below. The purpose of this pre-tenure leave is to support specific curricular projects or scholarly research. Some faculty may apply for a Whiting Teaching Fellowship to support full salary and benefits for an additional half year leave. For deadlines and guidelines, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Pre-Tenure-Leaves.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Pre-Tenure-Leaves.xml</a>.

## D. COURSE REDUCTION FOR FACULTY AND CURRICULAR DEVELOPMENT

Members of the faculty may apply for a one-course or course-equivalent reduction in their regular teaching obligation during the two-semester period of an academic year. These may be applications for course development, unusual teaching arrangements and strategies, or other projects related either to the planning or implementation of improvement in teaching. Alternatively, applications may concern specific research projects. Selection is made by the division chairs. For deadlines and guidelines, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Course-Reductions.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Course-Reductions.xml</a>.

# II. Grants, Professional Travel Allocations, and Other Support for Research

In an effort to encourage faculty research and professional development, and to cultivate a spirit of intellectual curiosity among students, the College offers a number of intramural research and curriculum development grants to faculty each year. The most complete information, guidelines, and application forms, when applicable, can be found on the dean of the faculty's office Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/Research-grants.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Research-grants.xml</a>).

#### A. THE BATES FACULTY DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Bates Faculty Development Fund supports faculty scholarship, curriculum development, and teaching enhancement projects. The Fund includes the pooled assets from a number of faculty development endowments and grants, including the Professional Development Grants (leave support); The President's Fund (faculty and curricular development); The Kathleen Curry Akers '41 Fund (sabbatical leave support); The McGinty Faculty Research Fund (humanities); The Roger C. Schmutz Faculty Research Grants (all disciplines); The Philip J. Otis Faculty Curricular Development Grants (courses pertaining to the environment); The Richard Sampson Faculty Support (support scholarly work of the mathematics faculty). This pooled fund requires only one application. Other grants, including Phillips Fellowships, Summer Research Apprenticeships, and INBRE grants have separate application processes. Grants of \$500.00 to \$5,000 are made through the Bates Faculty Development Fund; most awards average about \$2,000. All faculty are eligible to apply for Bates Faculty Development Grant support, though if funds are limited, preference in funding may be given to tenured or tenure-track faculty or long-term lecturers.

Full guidelines, the application instructions, and a downloadable application cover sheet may be found on the dean of the faculty's Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/Bates-Faculty-Development.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Bates-Faculty-Development.xml</a>).

#### **B. PHILLIPS FELLOWSHIPS**

Funded by the endowment established by Charles Franklin Phillips, fourth president of Bates, and his wife, Evelyn M. Phillips, Phillips Fellowships award excellence among Bates' scholar-teachers. The fellowships are designed to provide an opportunity for faculty members to gain an academic year leave at their full base salary in order to pursue significant scholarship. Fellowships include support for the replacement of the faculty recipient and up to \$4,000 during the fellowship year for travel expenses to research venues through expense reimbursement. Two or three Phillips Fellowships are awarded annually. President and Mrs. Phillips were eager to provide opportunities for Bates faculty to interact with leading scholars in research venues beyond Bates; projects that take the scholar away from Bates are expected. For deadlines and application guidelines, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/phillips-faculty-fellowships.xml">http://www.bates.edu/phillips-faculty-fellowships.xml</a>.

#### C. ENHANCED SABBATICAL PROGRAM

To encourage faculty scholarship and professional development, the College, with support from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, offers the Enhanced Sabbatical Program on a competitive basis. Tenured faculty and senior lecturers may apply for a full-year sabbatical at 80% pay. To be eligible, applicants must submit at least one application for funding outside the College. For deadlines and application guidelines, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/sabbatical-funding.xml">http://www.bates.edu/sabbatical-funding.xml</a>.

# D. WHITING TEACHING FELLOWSHIP

The Whiting Teaching Fellowship, funded by the Mrs. Giles Whiting Foundation, recognizes the importance of faculty scholarly work to good teaching. This award for pre-tenure assistant professors whose work is in the humanities underscores the fundamental relationship between excellent teaching and robust scholarship. The basis of the award is the excellence in teaching, and the funding is to be used to support the faculty member's scholarly endeavors.

The Whiting Teaching Fellowship supports full salary and benefits for a half-year leave. Preference is given to proposals that link the Whiting Teaching Fellowship to a pre-tenure leave so that the Fellow may receive a year's leave at full salary. Eligibility is after three consecutive years of full-time teaching. Neither the Whiting Teaching Fellowship nor a pre-tenure leave may occur during the year the faculty member is reviewed for tenure. For a fuller explanation, deadlines, and guidelines, see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/whiting-teaching-fellowship.xml">http://www.bates.edu/whiting-teaching-fellowship.xml</a>.

#### E. SUMMER RESEARCH APPRENTICESHIPS

Each year the College awards up to five Summer Research Apprenticeships for Bates students to participate in research projects under the direction of College faculty working in all disciplines. Each grant provides a stipend for the student and support to cover room-and-board expenses. Faculty members may apply for their research projects to be supported through summer grants to qualified student participants. Preference is given to projects that would otherwise have no student involvement. These grants are competitive. Full guidelines, application procedures, conditions, and reporting requirements are available on the Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/Summer-Research-Apprenticeships.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Summer-Research-Apprenticeships.xml</a>).

#### F. INBRE GRANTS FOR FACULTY AND STUDENT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Through support from a major grant to a consortium of Maine institutions from the National Institutes of Health, the College makes funds available to faculty and Bates students for the pursuit of research involving molecular and cell biology related to comparative genomics. Three grants will be awarded in 2009. Two types of research opportunities are currently available through this program:

#### 1) INBRE Faculty/Student Projects

For one science faculty member and up to two students. The project budget, including student stipends, student housing, travel, equipment and supplies, cannot exceed \$7,500. Faculty/student projects may take place for eight to ten weeks during the summer, or may extend from the summer into the next academic year; project budgets should reflect research schedules. Full guidelines, application procedures, conditions, and reporting requirements are available on the dean of the faculty's office Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/INBRE-Student-Faculty-Research.xml">http://www.bates.edu/INBRE-Student-Faculty-Research.xml</a>).

## 2) INBRE Undergraduate Research Assistant Grants

Through support from the INBRE grants to Bates, the College makes funds available to faculty who wish to hire student research assistants in math and the sciences during the academic year. Proposals are considered as received. See <a href="http://www.bates.edu/INBRE-undergraduate-research-assistant-grant.xml">http://www.bates.edu/INBRE-undergraduate-research-assistant-grant.xml</a> for more information.

#### G. BARLOW FUND GRANTS

The Barlow Endowment for Off-Campus Study supports a number of student grant programs to enrich the study-abroad experience. Barlow grants are also available to faculty members who travel to off-campus study programs and assess their offerings. More information is available on the off-campus study Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/Barlow-Faculty-Travel-Endowment.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Barlow-Faculty-Travel-Endowment.xml</a>).

#### H. MELLON COLLABORATIVE CBB FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation granted Bates, Bowdoin, and Colby colleges an award of \$300,000 over two years to support collaborative faculty professional development initiatives among the three institutions. These initiatives are led by a faculty steering committee with faculty from each of the colleges. The three colleges are collaborating on a revised RFP during fall 2009. Full guidelines and application procedures will be available on the dean of the faculty's office Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/collaborative-bbc-faculty-dev-projects.xml">http://www.bates.edu/collaborative-bbc-faculty-dev-projects.xml</a>).

#### I. NEH FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHING GRANTS

An endowment established in part by a National Endowment for the Humanities matching grant provides modest support for teaching and curriculum development in Chinese, French, German, Greek, Japanese, Latin, Russian, and Spanish. Funds are available through a competitive grant program for faculty travel related to curriculum development; the acquisition of teaching materials, the development of library collections; and special events, speakers, and performances in these languages. Faculty members may apply; information is available from the department chairs.

## J. OTHER STUDENT ASSISTANCE FOR FACULTY RESEARCH

# 1) Student Research Grants

Some student research funds provide stipends and/or room-and-board support to students conducting faculty-directed research at the College. These grants are competitive, and students must submit application forms to the dean of the faculty. Information and application forms are available to students in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty or on the office's Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/Research-grants.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Research-grants.xml</a>).

#### 2) SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDENT RESEARCHERS

Faculty members may request from the dean of students that special permission be granted to student research assistants for College rooming during recesses. Permission can only be granted if such convenience is necessary to research projects. Summer housing on-campus is available to student researchers; faculty must submit their requests for summer student housing by *1 April*. There are financial charges for such rooming.

#### K. Professional Travel to Conferences

The purpose of professional travel funds is to encourage scholarly activity by the faculty through partial subvention of the many costs associated with professional activity. To assist faculty in maintaining their scholarly work, the following provisions are in place for professional travel by faculty members and are available at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Professional-Travel.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Professional-Travel.xml</a>.

#### L. EXTERNAL GRANTS

The College encourages all faculty members to secure external funds to support scholarship and creative work, and provides support to faculty preparing grants and reporting on grant-funded projects. The Committee on Faculty Scholarship and the director of faculty scholarship advise faculty seeking external financial support. The Office of Corporate and Foundation Relations (CFR) of the Office of Advancement works with faculty members in identifying funding sources, editing proposals, reviewing budgets, assisting with online submissions, and reporting on grants. However, the principal investigator (PI) is ultimately responsible for the submission of proposals and management of grants.

The dean of the faculty's office maintains a comprehensive Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/fac-grant-info.xml">http://www.bates.edu/fac-grant-info.xml</a>) that provides information for faculty seeking external grant support, including information from the dean's office, CFR, the accounting office, and the human resources office. Faculty members planning to submit a grant proposal should consult this site.

# The Kroepsch Award for Excellence in Teaching

In recognition of the faculty's traditional commitment to excellence in teaching, the late Robert H. Kroepsch '33, LL.D. '71, established in 1985 the Ruth M. and Robert H. Kroepsch Endowed Fund for one or more annual awards to members of the faculty "in recognition of outstanding performance as a teacher during the previous twelve-month period." Kroepsch Award winners from the previous five years are not eligible.

The award carries a \$5,000 stipend to the faculty recipient, which is subject to taxation and withholding.

The dean of the faculty shall be responsible for inviting all students and alumni from the past five years to write letters of nomination for the award. These letters must cite in specific ways how the nominated teacher meets the following criteria:

- 1) ability to stimulate student interest in the subject and foster desire for further learning;
- 2) ability to help students understand subject matter and its importance in a broad context;
- 3) innovation and/or creativity in teaching;
- 4) ability to encourage a high level of student performance;
- 5) integration of teaching and scholarship;
- 6) commitment to student learning.

Selection shall be made by a committee made up of recipients of the award from the past five years.

Details for each year's Kroepsch Award's nomination process and faculty eligibility are announced annually.

# Part 3: Nondiscrimination and Sexual Harassment

The following grievance procedures were revised in September 2000.

# General Policies and Procedures

#### A. POLICIES

#### 1) Nondiscrimination

Bates values the diversity of persons, perspectives, and convictions. Critical thinking, rigorous analysis, and open discussion of a full range of ideas lie at the heart of the College's missions as an institution of higher learning. The College seeks to encourage inquiry and reasoned dialogue in a climate of mutual respect.

Bates does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, marital or parental status, age, or disability, in the recruitment and admission of its students, in the administration of its educational policies and programs, or in the recruitment and employment of its faculty and staff.

Note: "sexual orientation, gender identity, and/or gender expression" shall have the same meaning as the term "sexual orientation" as it is defined in the Maine Human Rights Act.

To aid the director of affirmative action and institutional diversity in this charge, an Advisory Committee on Affirmative Action is appointed annually by the president. It is the members' responsibility to assess continually the status of their respective areas in regard to compliance. Members of the Bates community are encouraged to report instances of alleged discrimination to the director of affirmative action and institutional diversity.

For more information on the College's diversity initiative, see <a href="www.bates.edu/diversity-initiative.xml">www.bates.edu/diversity-initiative.xml</a>.

#### 2) Bates College Sexual Harassment Policy

Within our academic setting, a state of trust and openness among persons is the necessary condition for intellectual inquiry and hence academic excellence. Associations between faculty, students, and staff must reflect the mutual respect for one another which is essential to the free exchange of ideas. Harassment, including sexual harassment, destroys trust and openness. When any member of the Bates community denigrates another member through unwanted sexual advances or sexual allusions, or through unwarranted references to sexuality or sexual activity, these bonds of trust and openness are broken.

Harassment, including sexual harassment, is especially serious when it involves a relationship of authority within which academic or other rewards may be experienced or perceived as related to the harassment. Among such situations are those relationships between faculty and students or between senior and junior faculty. When the imposition of unwanted sexual attention is accompanied by the promise of academic or employment rewards or reprisals, the harm can be very great. If harassment occurs between persons, one of whom has any kind of supervisory, evaluative, or other authoritative responsibility in regard to the other, it is intimidation and coercive abuse of power.

Sexual harassment is one form of illegal sex discrimination, as defined by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, and Section 4572 of the Maine Human Rights Act, and the regulations of both the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Maine Human Rights Commission. Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when:

a) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's academic advancement or employment;

- b) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment or academic decisions affecting such individuals;
- c) such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's academic or work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working or learning environment.

The state of trust that is so essential to academic work in the College is important to the associations between faculty and students; such trust also is important among non-academic staff and employees. Sexual harassment within these associations prevents or impairs the harassed person's full enjoyment of occupational or educational benefits and opportunities. It interferes with an individual's work performance and creates an offensive working environment. The employment regulations of the Maine Human Rights Commission give support to the College's policy against harassment and provide legal protection for all employees.

Whereas, it has been and is the policy of Bates College that sexual harassment has no place and will not be tolerated in this College; and whereas, the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has declared that sexual harassment constitutes illegal discrimination under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the president and Trustees of Bates College restates its policy that sexual harassment not be tolerated and hereby directs the president to see that appropriate steps are taken to communicate that Board's intent, as expressed in this policy to the College's faculty, staff, and students. The president shall advise the faculty, staff, and students that there are in effect adequate grievance procedures to facilitate prompt reporting of specific acts of sexual harassment at Bates, and urge the members of the College to report such acts so that appropriate action may be taken.

Bates College denounces the use of violence directed against any individual or group. We, the College community, regard sexual assault as a violent crime, a particularly heinous form of sexual harassment, whether committed by a stranger or an acquaintance on or off campus. We condemn the commission of sexual assaults and believe persons charged with such offenses should be dealt with promptly and fairly through the courts and our own judicial systems. Moreover, we rededicate ourselves to eradicating hostile settings in which our ability to work, study, live, and learn together is inhibited. Finally, we pledge assistance through the various departments of the College in aiding survivors of assault to determine how best they may regain control over their circumstances.

When offensive conduct against persons, including but not limited to assault, may occur, for which the offender may be charged within the criminal justice system for violating the criminal statutes of the State of Maine, or the United States, victims may also elect to seek redress through the College's disciplinary procedures, as well as through civil action. All members of the community are expected to conform their conduct to the requirements of the law and to the standards of the College community.

As a guide to the community, relevant provisions of the criminal law and descriptive definitions of conduct and consent will be provided in published form to all students, faculty, and staff annually. These provisions and definitions will serve to assist the College community in identifying unacceptable behavior and to provide a basis for consistent interpretation and judgment.

#### B. PROCEDURES

#### Procedures for Charges of Discrimination

The exercise of seeking advice and information is entirely voluntary and is not a prerequisite to making a formal complaint either within the College or with the Maine Human Rights Commission. Grievants who choose to file a complaint directly with the Maine Human Rights Commission must do so within 180 days (6 months) of the alleged incident(s) of discrimination. Grievants who seek informal resolution of cases of discrimination may do so in either of the following ways:

## a) Voluntary Informal Consultation

There are many channels within the Bates community available for the informal resolution of incidents of discrimination. The College recommends contact with any campus support personnel who are knowledgeable about the possible avenues of resolution of discrimination claims; when in doubt, the Office of Affirmative Action and

Institutional Diversity is a reliable, confidential and supportive source of information. Others who may assist in directing inquires in the process include the health center staff, the chaplains, immediate supervisors, resident coordinators and junior advisors, members of the faculty, the Office of Human Resources, the Office of the Dean of Students, and the Office of the Dean of the Faculty. Consultations may be brought in full confidentiality; no written record is to be maintained when an informal consultation is made.

If individual action or discussion through informal resolution does not resolve the problem, grievants may, either in the company of a trusted person or alone, talk privately with the director of affirmative action regarding other steps.

#### b) Complaints

The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity is the primary agency to receive all complaints. If students are involved, the individuals may initially elect to discuss a complaint with one of the deans of students; a faculty member may initially discuss a complaint with the dean of faculty; or a staff member may initially discuss a complaint with the director of human resources. In each case, however, the subsequent step, if not the initial step, should be with the director of affirmative action.

There are two forms of complaints:

#### 1) Informal Complaints

The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity may provide suggestions for resolution, help in mediating differences in views, or other channels for resolution involving skills or suggestions of others.

#### 2) Formal Complaints

The grievant may institute formal grievance proceedings whether or not the director of affirmative action can effect a resolution. Grievants can elect to pursue any or all options, including: making a written complaint within the College's procedures, initiating a complaint to an agency outside of the College (e.g., to the Maine Human Rights Commission), if appropriate, pursing criminal charges within the criminal justice system, or pursuing civil action within the court system. The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity will explain the elements of each process. Within the College, a written complaint is needed to initiate formal grievance procedures.

## c) College Formal Grievance Procedures

#### Section I

- (a) Formal grievance procedures shall be available to faculty members, employees, and students of Bates College, except where students are named as accused parties. In such cases, the matter shall be heard by the Committee on Student Conduct. The procedures herein shall not apply to grievances in regard to appointment, reappointment, tenure, or promotion of faculty members as these matters are governed by Article VII of the Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion contained in the Faculty Handbook of Bates College. The procedures herein shall be further limited to cases of improper discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual assault. Improper discrimination shall be defined as acts in violation of applicable nondiscrimination laws or the nondiscrimination policy which appears in the official publications of Bates College.
- (b) The sole purpose of a hearing under formal grievance procedures is to determine if improper discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual assault has occurred. A hearing board shall have no authority to invoke sanctions for improper behavior. The report of the hearing board shall be given to the president of the College for any further action.

#### Section II

(a) Nothing stated herein shall be construed to prevent several complainants, in the appropriate case, from joining in a single complaint. The word "complainant," as used herein, shall refer to any person who files a complaint

- or to any group of persons who together file a single complaint. The word "respondent," as used herein, shall refer to any party or parties accused in the same complaint and who will be heard in the same hearing
- (b) The complainant shall file a formal complaint in writing with the director of affirmative action and institutional diversity or the director of human resources. Upon receipt of the complaint, the director of affirmative action and institutional diversity or the director of human resources shall immediately inform the respondent in writing and provide the respondent with a copy of the complaint.
- (c) In cases of multiple complainants or multiple respondents, where any individual complainant or respondent claims that his or her complaint or defense would otherwise be compromised, that party may submit a request in writing to the director of affirmative action and the director of human resources for a separate hearing. The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity and the director of human resources shall make a decision on such a request prior to submitting a request to the president for a hearing board and shall notify all parties in writing of that decision. In appropriate cases, the director of affirmative action and the director of human resources may require multiple complainants to join in a single complaint.
- (d) The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity and the director of human resources together shall determine whether the complaint on its face states facts which, if true, allege a claim of improper discrimination, as defined in applicable nondiscrimination laws or the College's nondiscrimination policy, or of sexual harassment or sexual assault. If so, the matter may proceed to a hearing; if not, the complaint shall be returned to the complainant, and no further action shall be taken unless an amended complaint is filed in accordance with Section II (b).
- (e) The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity and the director of human resources shall make their decision whether to refer the complaint to the president with a request to form a hearing board within 7 days of receipt of the complaint, unless circumstances require a longer time, in which event, they shall inform the President and all parties in writing. Once a decision is made to refer the complaint to a hearing board, all parties shall be informed in writing of the action taken.

#### Section III

- (a) The director of affirmative action and institutional diversity and the director of human resources, having concluded that the complaint states a claim under standards contained in Section II (d), shall provide the president of the College with a copy of the complaint and request that the president form a hearing board. At this point, no further amendments to the complaint shall be permitted.
- (b) The complainant and the respondent may each designate two members of the hearing board. The president shall choose two additional members, and a majority of the six members thus chosen shall choose a seventh member to act as chair of the board. Board members shall be selected from the then current faculty or staff of Bates College. The word "staff," as used herein, shall not include student employees. If either the complainant or respondent neglects or refuses to designate members of the hearing board, the president shall choose them. Once the hearing board is established, the president shall give a copy of the complaint to the hearing board and shall inform all parties in writing of the composition of the board.
- (c) A hearing board shall be formed within 7 days from the date on which the director of affirmative action and institutional diversity and the director of human resources inform the president of the need for a hearing. If, in exceptional circumstances, more time is necessary to form the hearing board, the President shall inform all parties in writing.

#### Section IV

(a) The complainant shall, within 7 days of being notified of the formation of a hearing board, file with that board all documents and other tangible evidence available to the complainant which will be used in the

hearing in support of the complaint and a list of all witnesses whom the complainant wishes to testify at the hearing in support of the complaint. Upon receipt, the chair of the hearing board shall make these materials available to the respondent.

- (b) Within 21 days of receipt of such materials, the respondent shall file with the hearing board a written response to the charges made in the complaint, together with all documents and other tangible evidence available to the respondent which will be used in the hearing in support of any defense against the complaint and a list of all witnesses whom the respondent wishes to testify at the hearing in support of any defense against the complaint. Upon receipt, the chair of the hearing board shall make these materials available to the complainant.
- (c) The chair of the hearing board shall notify in writing all witnesses of the need for their testimony at the hearing. It is the responsibility of any member of the Bates College community who has information relevant to an issue before the hearing board to testify at the hearing or to produce documents or other tangible evidence at the request of the chair of the hearing board.
- (d) Failure, without adequate justification, to produce documents or other tangible evidence or to testify at the hearing by anyone requested to do so by the chair of the hearing board shall be reported to the president for any action he or she deems appropriate. In the event that either the complainant or the respondent shall fail, without adequate justification, to produce documents or other tangible evidence or to testify at the hearing when requested to do so by the chair of the hearing board, the hearing board may report to the president that it is unable to make a decision in the matter, and the President may take whatever action he or she deems appropriate.
- (e) After the hearing board has received evidence and witness lists from the parties, it will determine whether any additional documents, other tangible evidence, or testimony may reasonably be necessary to a determination of the facts at issue and may require any such documents or other tangible evidence from the complainant or respondent and may require documents or other tangible evidence or testimony from any third party, within or without Bates College. A determination that further evidence is necessary may be based on a request by the complainant or respondent. Should any additional documents or other tangible evidence be produced, they shall be made available to all parties. All parties shall be informed in writing of any witnesses identified by the hearing board who will testify at the hearing in addition to those already listed in the witness lists of the parties. The chair of the hearing board shall determine the date by which all evidence and all witness lists required by the hearing board shall be presented to the hearing board.
- (f) Once all documents, other tangible evidence, and all witness lists have been made available to all parties, no additions to any witness list, and no additional documents or other tangible evidence shall be considered except by a decision by the chair confirmed by a majority vote of the hearing board.
- (g) A hearing on the complaint shall commence no sooner than 7 nor later than 10 days after all documents, other tangible evidence, and all witness lists have been made available to all parties. The chair of the hearing board shall have the authority to alter these time limits if necessary and shall notify all parties in writing of a decision to do so.

#### Section V

(a) The chair of the hearing board, subject only to being overruled by a majority of the board, shall rule on all questions of evidence and procedure and may make such other rules and decisions, not provided for in these procedures, as are necessary to conduct the hearing fairly and expeditiously. This includes decisions on requests from complainants and respondents for separate hearings that arise after the hearing board is formed. Only evidence that a reasonable person would rely on to make judgments in serious matters shall be admitted and be considered by the hearing board in making its findings and conclusions.

- (b) The complainant and respondent may have the assistance of an attorney during the hearing; however, the role of the attorney shall be limited to observing the hearing and offering advice to the party represented. The hearing board may have the assistance of College counsel.
- (c) The members of the hearing board shall maintain the confidentiality of all aspects of the complaint, response, hearing, evidence, and its deliberations. The hearing shall be private. Only members of the hearing board, parties, attorneys, and witnesses while testifying may be present. The hearing board may exclude all but its members in order to deliberate on its findings and conclusions.
- (d) The board shall allow a reasonable time for opening and closing statements by the complainant and respondent.

Each party at the hearing shall have opportunity to pose questions to all witnesses. This shall be done either directly or through the chair, at the discretion of the chair.

(e) The hearing shall be electronically recorded, except that the private and confidential deliberations of the hearing board shall not be recorded. The president shall have custody of the recording and may, in his or her discretion, have a transcript made of the recording after the completion of the hearing.

#### Section VI

- (a) The hearing board shall make specific findings of fact. The burden of proof shall be on the complainant, and the board shall make findings and conclusions in regard to the allegations in the complaint only when a majority of the board is convinced that those findings and conclusions are supported by a preponderance of the evidence.
- (b) After reaching its findings and conclusions, the board shall report them in writing, within a reasonable time, to the president of the College, the complainant, and the respondent. The president shall make a brief announcement of the nature of the complaint and the findings of the hearing board to the Bates College community without mention of the names of parties or other participants. The president shall, within his or her discretion, determine what, if any, further action he or she will take in response to the report of the hearing board. The president shall commence any such action within 7 days of delivery of the report unless he or she deems some other period appropriate, in which case, the president shall inform all parties in writing.
- (c) In accordance with Article V, Section 2 of the By-Laws of Bates College, the complainant and respondent may, in appropriate cases, seek indemnification from the College for reasonable attorneys' fees incurred for purposes of the hearing.

#### Section VII

The existence of these grievance procedures in no way precludes the College from taking immediate action to maintain the safety of the College community or individual members thereof.

# Part 4: The Bates College Affirmative Action Policy

# I. The Office of Affirmative Action and Institutional Diversity

The Office of Affirmative Action and Institutional Diversity (AA&ID) exists primarily to implement the College's plans for increasing the racial/ethnic and gender diversity on campus. The office also assists in the development of personnel policy in effort to assure equality of opportunity. The office may from time to time become involved in campus issues that affect the atmosphere for women and racial/ethnic minorities. The office also serves to facilitate communication between Bates and the various off-campus organizations that promote such diversity.

In carrying out the responsibilities stated above, the director of affirmative action and institutional diversity (AA&ID director) will have access, when needed, to information or documents designated as confidential by the president and/or Trustees of the College or by law. This information or these documents include the College's administrative and financial records, the College's employee salary and fringe benefit information, employee personnel files, files of the committees on personnel and on personnel for physical education, and student files or transcripts in the offices of the dean of admissions, the dean of students, the registrar, student financial services, and the Office of Career Services.

The AA&ID director's access to confidential material will be in accordance with the following procedures:

1) The request for information will be made in writing to the College officer responsible for the maintenance and security of the confidential material. The request will be for specific material and for a specific purpose directly related to the implementation and oversight of affirmative action policies of the College as stated in this policy. If access involves a request to review evaluations of specific individuals, written permission must be secured from those individuals by the AA&ID director and must accompany the request.

If access involves a review of areas of concern or categories of personnel, the purpose and date of the review by the AA&ID director will be noted in the files.

2) Access to confidential material is under the supervision of the relevant College officer. It is the joint responsibility of the AA&ID director and the officer to assure the continuing confidentiality of the material. Material will be reviewed in the office where it normally is kept, with no duplication of files or other confidential information permitted.

# II. The Affirmative Action Advisory Committee

The Affirmative Action Advisory Committee (AAAC) exists to provide advice to the AA&ID director. Specifically, the AAAC identifies obstacles and barriers to equity of opportunity and rewards at Bates and makes recommendations to the AA&ID director on methods to remove these barriers and obstacles. Additionally, the AAAC seeks to educate the campus in regard to the principles of affirmative action and equal opportunity. The AAAC also evaluates and makes regular reports on the implementation of affirmative action policy. The Affirmative Action Advisory Committee is not empowered by the College or its officers to deal with specific complaints or grievances from individuals or from groups of individuals.

Members of the AAAC are appointed by the president for three-year terms. Each area of the College covered by the Affirmative Action Policy will have opportunity to nominate representatives to the AAAC. Areas of the College covered by the Affirmative Action Policy include: the library, admissions, dining services, administrative support staff, the administration, faculty, and the physical plant. While students are not usually covered by the Affirmative Action Policy, students may nominate two representatives for the AAAC. Additionally, two at-large representatives will be nominated by current members of the AAAC. From this list of nominations, the current AAAC will make recommendations to the president, who has final responsibility for the appointment of members to the AAAC. The AAAC will in making its recommendations to the president consider the racial/ethnic and gender diversity of the campus.

#### III. Community Input

A. Any member of the Bates community may bring an affirmative action concern to the attention of the AAAC by submitting a written statement to the AA&ID director.

B. Any member of the AAAC may bring an area of affirmative action concern to the attention of the full committee.

#### IV. Policies

Wherever reference is herein made to policies, practices, manuals, rules, regulations, or the like, the reference will be deemed to denote such elements as may at the relevant time be in effect, and no such references will be deemed to preclude changes, replacements, etc., in such elements in effect as of the date of this document.

# V. General Affirmative Action Principles Governing the Operating Procedures at Bates College

#### A. EMPLOYEES (DEPARTMENTAL STAFFING)

#### 1) Goals

The general affirmative action goal in recruitment and appointment of the College's faculty and staff will be to hire women and minority candidates in substantially the proportion they are available in the relevant applicant pools.

#### 2) Procedures

- a) The present situation will be analyzed in each department of the College by the AA&ID director.
- b) In areas where the substantially appropriate proportions are not found to exist, an effort will be made to attract and give preference to those underrepresented candidates who are substantially equally qualified.

#### 3) General Search Procedures

- a) A job description will be developed for each open or new position.
- b) Each open or new position will be publicly announced in a manner appropriate to contact the relevant applicant pool.
- c) Each open or new position will be posted at points (to be listed when determined) in the College designated for such purpose, and generally known to employees, and in appropriate College publications.
- d) Each advertisement will state: "Bates College values a diverse college community and seeks to assure equal opportunity through a continuing and effective affirmative action program."
- e) Each search will begin on (specified date) and remain open until filled. If the pool of candidates is considered to be unacceptable by the search committee for affirmative action reasons or other reasons, the search may be readvertised with the inclusion of a limited period of time for response.
- f) Each department and/or recruitment committee chair will keep full records of searches made for candidates, inquiries, and applications received, correspondence exchanged, credentials examined, interviews held, and actions taken, as evidence of a good faith effort to recruit women and minority persons.
- g) For each search, an Affirmative Action Search Report form will be completed and given to the AA&ID director within two weeks after the search is complete. It should minimally include a description of the efforts to find and consider women and minority candidates for the position, and, if such applicant was not selected, a statement of the reasons.
- h) Appointments will be made according to the following policy:
- 1) The most qualified person, as judged by the required qualifications and the stated criteria for selection, shall receive the appointment.
- 2) If the search committee considers more than one person as substantially equally qualified, the College's commitment to affirmative action should be a determining factor.

#### 4) Termination

- a) Except in the case of termination for cause, an employee should be given warning that he or she is failing to perform the responsibilities of the position to which he or she is appointed, and given a genuine opportunity to improve.
- b) Each decision to terminate or not to reappoint should be communicated to the AA&ID director and may be subject to discussion to confirm that affirmative action principles have not been violated.

c) The AA&ID director will keep data on the race and sex of terminated employees and should conduct an exit interview with employees leaving the College because of termination or nonreappointment in order to determine if any grievance or corrective procedure should be recommended by the AA&ID director. A *particular* grievance can not be brought against the will of the aggrieved party, although the AA&ID director may consider more general corrective procedures.

#### 5) Salary and Benefits

- a) Under the supervision of the president or his/her designate, the AA&ID director will analyze each department for possible discriminatory practices, including then-current criteria for salary differentials, with consideration of starting, average, and current salaries, rate of progress, salary increment based on age, position, years of service, and market position.
- b) The relative market position of qualified women and minorities may be considered as relevant to compensation as are other factors affecting supply and demand.
- c) Analysis should include evaluation of benefits, and any employment regulations which might have an adverse effect on salary or benefit equity. If any areas of discrepancy are identified which result in discrimination, the A&ID director or the AAAC will consider and recommend appropriate actions.

#### 6) Evaluation and Professional Development

- a) The College recognizes that an integral part of its commitment to eliminate discrimination and assure equal opportunity in employment must be the initiation and continuation of opportunities that will enhance the professional growth of its employees.
- b) Each division of the Bates work force will have specific policies pertaining to promotion, transfer, evaluation, educational fringe benefits, and termination, which are generally known and publicized to all members of that constituency.

#### 7) Dissemination of Information

- a) All members of the Bates community are encouraged to channel through the AA&ID director or AAAC any information or research relevant to affirmative action goals and procedures.
- b) All employees involved in recruitment and hiring procedures, in particular, will be advised of the existence of the above informational material and its location.
- c) A separate file of general material on this subject, including the College's equal opportunity/affirmative action policy and the grievance procedures, will be located at the library.

# VI. Specific Areas of Concern Involving Employees

#### A. FACULTY

#### 1) Composition and Recruitment

#### a) Goals

In order to achieve the goal of hiring women and minority persons in each academic department in the proportion that women and minorities are available in national applicant pools, the College will:

- 1) Periodically seek statistics on the availability of women and minorities in each discipline, and analyze each department in respect to these figures.
- 2) Establish departmental goals which reflect the percentage of women and minority persons who have received the Ph.D. or equivalent credential in the relevant field during the past three years.

#### b) Procedures

- 1) Detailed recruitment procedures will be reviewed and revised on an ongoing basis.
- 2) Each tenure-track position will be nationally advertised in appropriate professional journals and among women's and minority professional groups.
- 3) Each department chair and/or recruitment committee chair will keep full records of the searches made for candidates, and complete an Affirmative Action Search Report form for use by the dean of the faculty and the AA&ID director.

4) Each offer of appointment will be documented in writing.

#### 2) Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion

- a) Decisions on reappointment, tenure, and promotion will be made in accordance with rules and procedures set forth in the *Rules and Procedures Governing Faculty Appointment*, *Reappointment*, *Tenure*, *and Promotion*, found in the *Faculty Handbook*.
- b) These rules and procedures should be reviewed annually by the AA&DI director with any concerns reported to the president and to the dean of the faculty.
- c) Evidence that women or minority group members stay at one academic rank longer than majority group members will be cause for a thorough analysis by the AA&DI director.

#### 3) Termination

- a) A decision not to reappoint a faculty member should be communicated to the AA&DI director and may be discussed among the dean of the faculty, the departmental chair, and the AA&ID director to confirm that affirmative action principles have not been violated.
- b) The AA&DI director should conduct an exit interview with any faculty member leaving the College.

#### 4) Salary and Benefits

- a) The AA&DI director should analyze the College and each academic department for possible discriminatory practices.
- b) Accepted procedures for analysis such as those outlined in Elizabeth L. Scott's *Higher Education Salary Evaluation Kit* (Washington, DC: AAUP) should be used.
- 5) Professional development policies are described in detail in the current *Faculty Handbook* and the *Employee Handbook*, subject to periodic revision. These policies should reflect ongoing recommendations of the AA&DI director and the AAAC.

#### B. LIBRARY

- 1) Search and Appointments for Paraprofessional and Professional Positions (Excluding the Librarian)
  - a) General Preliminary Procedure
  - 1) Appointments to the staff of the library shall be made on the basis of an equal opportunity and affirmative action search. A search shall be conducted for any new position not previously staffed and for any vacant position.
  - 2) This procedure does not limit the library's ability to reorganize its positions and reassign its staff to meet the current and future needs of the College. Nothing in these procedures rules out the possibility of internal advancement when appropriate.
  - 3) The librarian will consult with members of the library staff as appropriate. The librarian will announce the opening to the library staff and post it on the staff bulletin board before it is generally announced.
  - 4) In case of an acting appointment or a temporary position, the librarian and the head of the unit in which the opening exists, in consultation with the Library Personnel Committee, will determine appropriate search procedures in accordance with affirmative action goals, the circumstances of the position, and College policy.

#### b) Search Committee: Composition

# 1) Paraprofessional Position

In the case of a new or ongoing paraprofessional position, the unit in which the vacancy exists will serve as the search committee. The unit head will serve as the chair of the search committee. The unit head in consultation with the librarian may include additional members as needed.

## 2) Professional Position

In the case of a new or ongoing professional position, a five-member committee will conduct the search.

a) The librarian and the staff member who supervises the vacant position will serve ex officio.

- b) The librarian will appoint the remaining committee members within two weeks of the announcement of the opening. The committee will be selected to include persons who bring to the search knowledge of the position, perspectives on the work, or the College's intent to promote diversity.
  - 1) Any staff member applying for the position cannot serve on the search committee.
  - 2) At least one professional and one paraprofessional will be named to the committee.
  - 3) The committee may include members from outside the library staff.
- c) The staff member who supervises the vacant position is chair of the search committee.

#### c) General Search Procedure

Before considering any application, the search committee will meet to discuss the job description and qualifications for applicants. The search committee will be responsible for carrying out the search according to acceptable guidelines for equal opportunity access and for affirmative action. Should a vacancy occur on the search committee, the librarian will appoint a replacement.

- 1) A paraprofessional opening will be posted in the College and advertised in suitable local publications and other sources
- 2) A professional opening will be posted in the College and advertised in suitable professional journals and national publications.
- 3) The search committee will be responsible for selecting final candidates to be interviewed and will conduct the interviews.

#### d) Recommendations

#### 1) Paraprofessional Position

For a paraprofessional opening, after all interviews with the librarian, the search committee, and other staff members have been completed, the chair will give the committee's recommendation to the librarian.

#### 2) Professional Position

For a professional opening, the search committee will gather reactions and comments in writing from individuals or groups involved in the search, and the chair will give the committee's recommendation to the librarian.

- 3) The librarian will then give a recommendation to the dean of the faculty. Prior to making his recommendations, the librarian will seek assurance from the director of affirmative action that the search and selection process conformed to the College's affirmative action program.
- 4) The final decision to appoint a candidate rests with the president or the president's designate.
- 5) If none of the final candidates is hired, the librarian will meet with the search committee to determine further action.

#### 2) Evaluation

At regular intervals, staff members, working with their supervisors, will prepare written assessments of their work in relation to goals and plans of the library and College. This will include revision of current job descriptions, as described in the *Library Personnel Handbook* and as approved, from time to time, by the dean of the faculty.

#### 3) Termination

- a) All professional/administrative staff appointments serve at the pleasure of the president, who therefore has the right to terminate the appointment personally or through his/her designate.
- b) The President should normally consult with the AA&ID director to assure that affirmative action guidelines have been observed in dealing with the employees.
- c) The AA&ID director should conduct an exit interview with any administrative staff member leaving the College.
- 4) Staff professional development opportunities are described in detail in the current *Library Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual* and in the *Employee Handbook*, subject to periodic revision.

#### C. Administrative Staff

#### 1) Staff Recruitment

a) An equal opportunity/affirmative action search will be conducted for any new position not previously staffed and for any existing position which becomes vacant. It is to be understood that nothing in these procedures rules out the possibility of internal advancement when appropriate.

#### b) Acting Appointments

- 1) The president may make an acting appointment if the time and circumstances warrant it.
- 2) When an acting appointment is made (for reasons other than leaves of absence), the search will be initiated within six months.
- 3) The acting appointee may be a candidate for the position.
- 4) No acting appointee who is a candidate for permanent appointment will be a member of the search committee charged with selecting a candidate to fill his/her acting position.

#### c) Search Procedure

- 1) The president, in consultation with the appropriate administrative or faculty personnel and the AA&ID director, will appoint a committee of not fewer than three persons.
- 2) The search committee will be responsible for carrying out the search according to acceptable guidelines for equal opportunity access and affirmative action.
- 3) The opening will be advertised through the human resources office in suitable professional journals and national publications, as well as locally.
- 4) The committee will be responsible for selecting final candidates to be interviewed, and may ask other members of the College community to participate in the interviews.
- 5) The committee will make final recommendations to the president.
- 6) All appointments to the professional/administrative staff are made by the president or his/her designate and serve at the pleasure of the president. Prior to making the appointment, the president should normally consult with the AA&ID director to ensure that the search and selection process conformed to the College's affirmative action program.

#### 2) Promotion and Evaluation

- a) The College should encourage nonteaching staff to broaden their skills so that they may qualify for positions of greater responsibility, and to seek satisfying work opportunities on the basis of promotions and lateral transfers.
- b) Supervisors should discuss job performance with each employee at least annually.

#### 3) Termination

- a) All professional/administrative staff appointments serve at the pleasure of the president, who therefore has the right to terminate the appointment personally or through his/her designate.
- b) The president should normally consult with the AA&ID director to assure that affirmative action guidelines have been observed in dealings with the employees.
- c) The AA&ID director should conduct an exit interview with any administrative staff member leaving the College.
- 4) Professional development opportunities are described in detail in the current *Employee Handbook*, subject to periodic revision.

#### D. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF, PHYSICAL PLANT, AND DINING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

#### 1) Composition and Recruitment

a) The department supervisor and the director of human resources will be responsible for making and documenting efforts to meet the College's affirmative action goals.

#### b) Job Descriptions

- 1) Written job descriptions will contain specific criteria and skills for each employment category.
- 2) Written job descriptions will include the qualities and capacities which are pertinent to the position.

#### c) Recruitment Procedures

- 1) A search will be coordinated by the human resources office and the department supervisor.
- 2) The department head forms a search committee consisting of at least three employees and gives their name to the human resources office. The human resources office provides interview guides for members of the search committee.
- 3) Current employees should be given consideration for promotion or transfer by posting the job advertisement on College bulletin boards generally known to be for this purpose, at the same time as the position is advertised publicly, and by publishing notification in the employee newsletter.
- 4) The College may contact employment agencies and other sources to attract applicants, as well as placing advertisements in the media.
- 5) The human resources office will maintain a file of all completed applications and their disposition according to the advice of the AA&DI director.
- 6) The departmental search committee will make recommendations to the department supervisor.
- 7) The department supervisor will make the final selection.

#### 2) Evaluation

- a) To regularize employee/supervisor interchange, the College will develop a formal system of evaluation.
- b) In addition to ongoing informal evaluation, the first formal review should take place after one month of employment, the second within a six-month orientation period, and thereafter annually at a stated time prior to salary recommendation.
- c) The evaluation form should provide for written individual observations under suggested categories, and notes on corrections or comments made during the interview.
- d) The form should be signed by both participants and retained in the employee's personnel folder.

#### 3) Termination

- a) If a supervisor is considering termination for reasons other than for cause, the employee should be interviewed and warned in writing at least once before the termination interview.
- b) Both parties to the interview should read and sign the warning statement and a copy should be sent to the human resources office to be retained in accordance with current legal requirements.
- c) No one will be terminated, other than for cause, without prior notification to the director of human resources.
- d) If there is any question of possible discrimination, the AA&ID director will conduct a consultation and exit interview.

#### 4) Professional Development

- a) The College encourages professional development of its staff with its educational benefit package, which is described in detail in the current *Employee Handbook*, subject to periodic revision.
- b) Supervisors have the responsibility to inform their employees about the human resources office's assistance in providing information about continuing and adult education courses, as well as the responsibility to inform the human resources office about appropriate courses that come to their attention and that might benefit their employees.

# VII. Specific Areas of Concern Involving Students

The College's relations with its students are not normally governed by the College's Affirmative Action Policy, which is part of the College's policy for all faculty and other employees. It would thus apply to students when they are employees of the College. The principles behind affirmative action, however, apply to many of the College's ongoing relationships with its students, and the various departments and faculty committees dealing with students should be fully aware of underlying policies of the College which deal with students or which have an impact on the quality of student life at Bates. Some of the specific areas of concern involving students are:

- 1) The general affirmative action goal in recruitment and acceptance of Bates students will be to secure, retain, and educate qualified women and minority students in the proportion they are available in the relevant applicant pools. The current composition of the student body should continue to be analyzed with special attention to race and sex as they pertain to matriculation, achievement, and departmental distribution. Where proportions appear to be out of balance, an effort should be made to determine the reasons for these imbalances and, if possible, to take corrective action.
- 2) The College recognizes that a critical enhancement to the present and future recruitment, retention, and development of excellent students is the presence of women and minority persons as role models in positions of high achievement in the College community.
- 3) The College recognizes that student diversity benefits all members of the College community, and believes that positive steps should be taken to recruit minorities, in particular, and to develop support systems crucial to the success of minority and women students at Bates.
- 4) The College will continue to make every effort to ensure that women, men, and minorities continue to be represented on the admissions staff.
- 5) The College will continue to explore and implement means of actively recruiting minority candidates for admissions.
- 6) The admissions office will continue to give consideration to relevant criteria other than standardized measurements of ability in assessing the potential of applicants, particularly in the case of minority students.
- 7) The College will encourage the various other components of the College community, including faculty and alumni, to participate in minority student recruitment.
- 8) The presence of minority members of the faculty is recognized as essential to the success of admissions office efforts in minority recruitment.

#### 9) Financial Aid

- a) All financial aid at Bates College is awarded on the basis of financial need.
- b) The College will continue to try to develop new sources of scholarship funding.
- c) Minority students should be encouraged to apply for admission, regardless of financial circumstances.

#### 10) Academic Support

- a) The existing program between the Office of the Dean of Students and the admissions office, which identifies students who may need special academic support, should be continued and refined.
- b) Support may include the following methods, as well as others yet to be developed:
- 1) assistance in improving study skills and habits
- 2) tutorial assistance by upper-class students
- 3) extra attention by faculty members
- 4) when possible, special care in assigning faculty advisors who are sensitive to the concerns of affirmative action.

#### 11) Career Development

- a) The College will continue its policy to prohibit discrimination on the basis of race and/or gender in the recruitment and employment of its students by the following methods, as well as others yet to be developed:
  - 1) The Office of Career Services (OCS) will apprise all recruiters of this policy who seek to employ through its auspices.

- 2) The OCS will encourage organizations to send women and minority recruitment officers.
- b) The OCS will continue to monitor and inform students of special minority and women's recruitment opportunities in employment and in graduate schools.
- c) The OCS should sponsor programs which alert the student body and the business community to the issues of affirmative action.

#### 12) Student Activities

- a) The College will adhere to its tradition of openness by continuing to require that its social and extracurricular organizations be open to all students without regard to race/ethnicity, color, creed, sex, religion, or national origin, sexual orientation, disability, marital/parental status.
- b) Before being allowed to use the name of Bates, use College facilities, or qualify for institutional financial support, a student organization must commit itself to the above goals by a statement in its constitution.
- c) No student organization which evinces and persists in discriminatory practices will be funded or recognized by the College.

# Part 5: Instruction

# Faculty Teaching Load

Departments of the faculty may design their curricula on the basis of a 5-course teaching load for the academic year. Chairs, in consultation with their colleagues concerning the needs of their department or program, determine teaching schedules, including those for Short Term.

- 1) Department and program chairs may elect to receive one course or course equivalent credit per year for their administrative responsibilities.
- 2) Members of the faculty teaching a one-half year leave of any kind must teach 3 courses, or 2.5 courses if the department or program can arrange such teaching credit.
- 3) Part-time faculty who teach full-time for one semester only (not counting Short Term) must teach 3 courses during that semester.
- 4) "Course equivalent" credit may be given for thesis supervision. Allocation of thesis credit may vary among departments and programs but is generally equal to .5 course credit for ten thesis semesters and 1.0 course credit for twenty thesis semesters. Faculty seeking course equivalent credit for thesis supervision must secure approval from the chair, who reports the credit to the dean of the faculty at the time the course grids and faculty workload plans are submitted. Course equivalent credit is not awarded for independent study supervision (360 or s50).
- 5) In exceptional circumstances, and only after written approval by the dean of the faculty prior to submission to the registrar of semester course offerings, a department chair may use one "course equivalent" credit for a colleague whose normal course enrollments are excessive over a two- or three-year period of time.
- 6) Teaching credit cannot be carried over to another year, except in circumstances expressly approved by the dean of the faculty.
- 7) Faculty teaching in the Bates Fall Semester Abroad Program are credited for three courses, leaving two courses to be taught in the other semester, including Short Term.

# The Faculty Advisory System

As part of regular duties, all faculty members serve as academic advisors to students. In addition to serving as major field advisors, faculty also advise first- and second-year students. In most cases, first-year students are advised by a faculty member teaching a first-year seminar and remain with that advisor until moving to their major field advisors. The dean of faculty urges departments and programs to consider the teaching responsibilities involved in advising first-and second-year students when assigning other departmental or program responsibilities. Advisors and students work together in a partnership. The goal of the partnership is thoughtful discussion of a student's goals and responsibilities while at Bates and after graduation. Advisors bring to the discussions their knowledge of academic disciplines and of Bates College, awareness of what students must do to learn from their courses, and an appreciation of the personal and intellectual changes facing students during their time in college. Advisors' questions, observations, and advice can help students make decisions about individual courses, long-term planning for their academic careers, choice of major, and life plans. Advisors are expected to hold regular office hours and, if necessary, to arrange other meetings with students within a reasonable time period of the requests.

Academic information about the student is supplied by the Office of the Registrar and Academic Systems to the advisor electronically. Faculty members are reminded that comments made in advisee files are part of the educational record and are open to student review under the terms of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). All faculty should be familiar with basic FERPA regulations and should contact the Registrar with any questions. A FERPA tutorial is available at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/ferpa-test.xml">http://www.bates.edu/ferpa-test.xml</a>.

# Class Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of all full-time faculty members to be available for College obligations throughout the working week during the academic year — from fall semester orientation through scheduled classes, and examination periods of fall semester, winter semester and Short Term — to fulfill their responsibilities fully and avoid placing undue burdens on their colleagues.

All full-time and part-time faculty members are expected to meet all scheduled classes. In the case of a conflict between a scheduled class and some other professional or personal activity, such as attendance at a conference, it is the faculty member's responsibility to inform students and his or her department or program chair well in advance and to arrange either appropriate alternative activities or make-up session for missed classes. Those who find it necessary, under extraordinary circumstances, to be absent from more than two classes in any one course during a semester should inform the department or program chair and receive approval from the dean of the faculty.

All full-time and part-time faculty members are expected to arrange their personal schedules to be available for the full range of obligations on campus. If unusual personal circumstances require a different pattern of availability over an extended period of time, faculty members should make arrangements in advance with their department or program chair and receive approval from the dean of the faculty.

No full-time faculty member shall be employed in any occupation that interferes with the thorough and efficient performance of the responsibilities of his or her office, and no engagement shall be made by any faculty member for teaching in another institution during the academic year without the permission of the dean of the faculty.

SYLLABI. Faculty are expected to develop and distribute to students in each course a syllabus that includes the general intent, goals, and scope of the course; the structure of the assignments as far as possible; the number, timing and weight of examinations and other assignments; writing assignments and their due dates as far as possible; grading guidelines, the faculty members policy for and definition of plagiarism, office hours, office location, and other contact information. The syllabus should also include the method the faculty member will use to contact the class if a session must be cancelled due to an emergency. Copies of each syllabus should be sent to the department or program chair.

ABSENCES. Faculty are expected to meet all instructional obligations at the time and place scheduled. In case of inability to meet a scheduled class due to illness or other reason, the instructor must notify the appropriate area coordinator as soon as possible so that students may be advised of the cancellation. If the area coordinator cannot be reached, the instructor should contact the department or program chair or another colleague so that he or she may inform students of the cancellation.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES. Because Bates is a residential college, the College may be in session (during the academic term) when a declared emergency occurs; the operating assumption is that classes will still be held. On rare occasions, the administration may declare an emergency so severe that classes are canceled. These announcements are made through a telephone line for such announcements available to the College community, on the Web site if it is operating, and on local radio and television stations. Individual instructors whose travel to the campus would be hazardous, or who, for other reasons, are unable to meet their classes, may decide to cancel their classes and reschedule them at a later date. For more information about conducting classes during emergencies see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/holding-classes-in-emergencies.xml">http://www.bates.edu/holding-classes-in-emergencies.xml</a>.

If a faculty member encounters an emergency: immediately leave the area and go to the nearest telephone and call security at extension 6111 or press the red HELP button to initiate an emergency call. For more information about campus emergencies, consult <a href="http://www.bates.edu/emergencies.xml">http://www.bates.edu/emergencies.xml</a>.

ATTENDANCE SYSTEM. Class lists are available from the online system or the Garnet Gateway. Faculty may also manage their class lists using the learning management system (Lyceum). Only after a name has been officially added to class lists through the Garnet Gateway should a student be considered properly registered in a course or. While students may add a course until ten days into a semester and three days into Short Term, class attendance is expected at the start of the semester. No grades should be submitted for students whose names do not appear on a roster or who have not attended class. Students who have neglected to drop a course will receive an "F#" grade (an administrative F) posted by the registrar.

Subject to department/program policy, each instructor shall, at the beginning of each semester or Short Term, make clear to the students in the course the expectations regarding attendance and nonattendance at classes and laboratories. It is up to each instructor, according to departmental or program policy, to excuse or penalize excessive absences in a course. Before excusing an absence, an instructor may require a written confirmation from the dean of students or an associate dean of students as to the validity of an excuse.

Students are responsible for attending the first meeting of the classes for which they are registered. Instructors, at their discretion, may drop those students who do not attend that meeting (Faculty Legislation, February 2002). If faculty choose to report to the registrar students who are absent from the first class meeting without prior approval of the instructor, or excused by a dean, they are dropped from the course by the registrar.

FIELD TRIPS. Whenever class trips entail absences from other classes, the instructor must secure advance approval from his/her department or program chair. A list of all students involved, and a list of all courses they will individually miss as a result of the field trips, must accompany the request. Faculty requesting that students miss a class of another faculty member are asked to inform that faculty member of the request. Students may not be required to go on field trips if they involve absences from classes in which examinations are scheduled.

EVALUATIVE ASSIGNMENTS. Faculty should make every effort to provide an evaluation to a student of his or her work in a course *before* the last day to withdraw from a course in a semester or Short Term.

OPTIONAL READING PERIOD. There is no official reading period in the academic calendar, however the last week of classes in each semester may be used as an optional reading period by instructors who deem it academically desirable.

SHORT TERM. According to the faculty legislation, students may complete up to three Short Term courses. Two Short Term courses only are required to fulfill the degree requirement for students in the four-year program; three courses are required for students in the three-year program. Students wishing to register for their third Short Term course receive a lower registration priority than those registering for a first or second, with exceptions granted for three-year graduates. This provision for assigning priority does not apply to courses requiring permission of the instructor to register.

Departments and programs have the obligation of offering Short Term courses as part of the College curriculum. Chairs, in consultation with colleagues about the needs of a department or program, determine which members of the faculty teaching Short Term courses. During Short Terms in which a faculty member is not on sabbatical, but is not teaching in the Short Term, that faculty member is expected to fulfill all other faculty responsibilities, including scholarship and normal governance and service responsibilities, regardless of his or her teaching schedule.

## **Examinations**

IN-TERM EXAMINATIONS. Multiple forms of evaluation are encouraged. One week's notice should be given to students of an examination of an hour's length or more, and some advance notice should also be given of any shorter quiz if it has considerable weight in determining the final grade. No examinations or quizzes in classes should be given during the last full week of any semester. Faculty may not ask academic administrative assistants (formerly known as area coordinators) to proctor exams. This provision shall not apply to practical examinations given in laboratory work or to the Short Term. Hour examinations should not be assigned on the first day after a College vacation (i.e., October break, Thanksgiving recess, February break).

No in-class examinations shall be conducted on either Rosh Hashana or Yom Kippur. The dean of students shall be responsible reminding all faculty members, prior to the beginning of each fall semester, of this legislation and of the dates on which these holidays fall.

In case of examinations missed for illness or other excusable reason, the student is expected to get a written excuse from the dean of students or an associate dean of students. Upon presentation of this excuse to the instructor, the instructor will arrange for a make-up at a mutually convenient time. Normally, examinations will not be administered in the health center.

FINAL EXAMINATIONS. The final examination schedule is composed by the registrar. All students are expected to take the final examinations at the time scheduled. Final examinations cannot be rescheduled to accommodate the travel plans of students. Students should not make any travel plans until they have full knowledge of their final examination schedule. It is not within the discretion of the instructor to waive or alter the examination requirement for individual students, or to reschedule the examination for the entire class. Requests from individual students to have an exam

rescheduled must be made to the dean or associate deans of students. Faculty requests to reschedule for the entire class should be made to the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar.

Instructors indicate to the registrar whether or not their courses will use a two-hour block of time during the final examination period, in time for inclusion of such information in registration materials. Instructors may use this reserved time period for any form of evaluation, including in-class written examinations, oral examinations, presentations of final projects, or the deadline for handing in take-home examinations or final papers or projects. (Faculty Legislation, December 2001).

All student absences from scheduled final examinations are to be reported promptly to the registrar and to the dean of students. At the discretion of the faculty member and depending on the circumstances, a make-up examination may be arranged with the instructor, unless the examination is specially waived by the Committee on Academic Standing.

Faculty may decide whether or not to return final examinations to students, and must make their policy clear to students. According to FERPA regulations, if faculty choose to return examinations, they must avoid creating situations in which students have access to the examinations or grades of other students. If faculty do not choose to return examinations, they should make them available for student viewing. Faculty should provide students with opportunities to discuss the results of final exams, and retain exams for at least one year.

# The Grading System

GRADES USED. Grades in complete courses are assigned according to the following schedule of letters and quality point equivalents:

A + = 4.0	B+ = 3.3	C+ = 2.3	D + = 1.3	F = 0	ON = 0
A = 4.0	B = 3.0	C = 2.0	D = 1.0	F# = 0	W = 0
A = 3.7	B- = 2.7	C- = 1.7	D - = 0.7	DEF = 0	P = 2

A grade of "ON" is used to indicate that a student's academic work is ongoing into the next semester and that two semesters of work are required to earn a final grade.

Students are expected to complete all work for a course by its terminal date. An incoming grade will not be accepted by the registrar, unless in consultation with the instructor, the Committee on Academic Standing, the dean of students, or an associate dean of students has approved an extension of time to complete the work, on academic grounds or because of a disabling illness or special emergency. A grade of "DEF" indicates that the student has secured, through the dean of students, or the Committee on Academic Standing formal deferral for incomplete course work. Incomplete work for which deferred grades are given must be completed in a specific period of time as determined on the deferral form, or the "DEF" grade becomes an administrative F notated as "F#." All final grades that were previously deferred are identified with an asterisk (\*) on the student's transcript.

Departments and programs requiring the successful completion of a thesis as one possible condition for graduation may authorize their members to defer the submission of the grade for a thesis that would otherwise receive an "F." The length of any such deferral shall not exceed five calendar weeks from the posted date for the submission of such grades, and the deferred grade shall not be higher than a "D-."

A grade of "W" is used to indicate that a student was required to withdraw from the College due to extenuating circumstances, or approved to withdraw from a course(s) after the legislated drop date by the Academic Standing Committee.

PASS/FAIL GRADING. Students may elect to take a total of two Bates courses (but not Short Term courses) on a pass/fail basis, with a maximum of one per semester. The following conditions apply:

- 1) Students may declare or change a pass/fail option until the final day to add a course.
- 2) Students taking a course pass/fail are not identified as such on class rosters. Faculty members submit regular letter grades (A, B, C, D, F) to the registrar, who converts the letter grade to a pass or a fail. Unless the student chooses to inform the instructor, only the student, the student's advisor, and the registrar know the grading mode for the course. A grade of D- or above is considered a passing grade.

- 3) Departments and programs decide whether courses taken pass/fail can be used to satisfy major and secondary concentration requirements. This information is available in the introductory paragraph for each department's and program's courses of instruction in the Catalog.
- 4) Courses taken pass/fail are not computed in the student's grade point average, and do not count toward General Education requirements. A pass is equivalent to two quality points. (For further explanation of quality points, see Web site <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Quality-Points.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Quality-Points.xml</a>).

SHORT TERM GRADES. An instructor must indicate "letter grade" or "satisfactory/unsatisfactory" grade for a Short Term course to the registrar prior to the publication of the Short Term registration materials. This applies to all students registered for the course and to independent studies.

DEFICIENCY REPORTS. All faculty are requested by the Office of the Dean of Students to report at least once a semester any student whose academic work to date falls below C-. In addition, faculty are encouraged to report a deficient student at any time. Warning reports are given to the student, who is advised to review the situation immediately with the advisor, instructor, and a dean.

FACULTY GRADES DUE. All student work must be completed and turned in to instructors by the end of the examination period. Any exceptions to this require a formal grade deferral.

Faculty are responsible for submitting grades by a date set by the registrar, so as to make grades available to students ten days after the end of the final examination period. In some cases, especially for seniors in their final semester, honors candidates, and students on academic probation, the registrar may demand the grades earlier.

If special circumstances make it impossible to comply with the legislated schedule for grade submission, the faculty member should notify the registrar, dean of the faculty's office, and all affected students.

It is imperative that final grades be submitted on time. Until all grades are submitted, students cannot be informed of any academic deficiencies, including academic dismissal; graduation honors cannot be calculated; and students may lose employment or educational opportunities that require current transcripts.

GRADES FOR PROSPECTIVE GRADUATES. In order to determine final grade point averages and certify seniors for graduation, all final grades for seniors, including those previously deferred, must be submitted by the end of the day of the Wednesday prior to Commencement. Short Term final grades for seniors are considered passing if the registrar is not informed otherwise by noon on the Friday prior to Commencement.

REPORTING GRADES TO STUDENTS. Semester grades are officially reported to students only through the Garnet Gateway, which students access through the Web. Faculty members may unofficially report semester grades to students, after the end of the final examination period. In compliance with federal law, student names and grades cannot be posted on office or classroom doors, bulletin boards, or other public places.

COURSE EVALUATIONS. At the end of each semester students are required to complete an evaluation of each course taken. Students may not access their grades online until this requirement has been fulfilled. All course evaluations are the exclusive property of Bates College.

CHANGING A FINAL GRADE. Course grades, after they have been submitted and made available to students, may be changed only on professorial petition to the registrar stating specific grounds of clerical or computational error. All other requests for a change of grade shall be directed to the Committee on Academic Standing.

### Course Scheduling

All courses are scheduled by the registrar, with the approval of the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar, following receipt of requested hours from the chairs of the departments and programs. Acting within policies established by the faculty for class scheduling, the committee's decision is final.

According to faculty legislation passed in April 1999, the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar, in consultation with the registrar, organizes the academic week into the following class meeting time slots. All fall and winter classes shall normally meet for a minimum of 160 minutes per week. Instructors using time slots that offer the possibility of using more than this minimum may organize the use of that time in any way they deem to be pedagogically beneficial, using anywhere from 160 minutes to 240 minutes per week.

8:00-9:20 a.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet three times a week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; or twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday.

9:30-10:50 a.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet three times a week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; or twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday.

11:00-11:55 a.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet three times a week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

12:05-1:00 p.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet three times a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

1:10-2:30 p.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet three times a week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; or twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday.

2:40-4:00 p.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet three times a week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; or twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday.

7:30-8:50 p.m. Classes in this time slot normally meet twice on Tuesday and Thursday. These classes must be sections of courses that have an alternate section meeting prior to 4:00 p.m.

Short Term courses shall meet for a minimum of 385 minutes per week.

In addition, the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar, in consultation with the registrar, shall normally schedule:

- 1) "Three-hour" seminars, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday from 1:05-4:00 p.m.; or on Tuesday, from 7:30-10:30 p.m.
- 2) Laboratories, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday from 1:05-4:00 p.m.; on Tuesday, from 7:30-10:30 p.m.; or on Tuesday or Thursday from 8:00-10:50 a.m., but only if five sections of the same lab are scheduled at other times, or under special circumstances.
- 3) "Two-hour" classes, twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday, anytime between 8:00-10:50 a.m.; or twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday, anytime between 1:05-4:00 p.m.; or twice a week on Monday, Wednesday, and/or Friday, anytime between 1:05-4:00 p.m.
- 4) "Extra Session Times," on Tuesday from 11:00-11:55 a.m., Thursday from 11:00-11:55 a.m., and Thursday from 12:05-1:00 p.m. These sessions are designed for MWF classes that need to meet regularly four or five times a week, or as a discussion section time for classes with multiple discussion sections.
- 5) "Extra Discussion Section Times," Tuesday and/or Thursday from 4:10-5:00 p.m. These sessions are designed for classes that have at least one alternate discussion section scheduled to meet prior to 4:00 p.m.

The following policies apply regarding the scheduling of courses.

- 1) The Committee on Curriculum and Calendar approves the schedule of courses.
- 2) In granting such approval, the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar shall consider it necessary to distribute courses as equally as possible throughout the available hours of the day in order to satisfy the following principles:
  - a) that students have the greatest freedom of choice possible in their selection of courses;
  - b) that there may be maximum equal access to various teaching facilities, such as seminar rooms, laboratories, language laboratories, rooms with audio-visual facilities, etc.;
  - c) that conflicts in final examinations may be minimized to the greatest extent possible.
- 3) Consistent with such principles of distribution, and with the principle of dealing equitably with all departments and programs of the College, departments and programs should be free to schedule courses according to their academic needs and those of individual department and program members. The equitable assignment of instructors to unpopular class hours is likewise the responsibility of the departments and programs.
- 4) The committee request that the registrar solicit course information from each department or program, including course numbers, and the preferred time for each class to be given. Departments/Programs should disperse classes throughout the entire range of class hours and, unless specifically granted exceptions by the committee, must observe guidelines specified by the committee.

Room assignments are made by the registrar. *These assignments must not be changed, even temporarily, without the registrar's approval.* With the obvious exception of field trips, academic classes normally are not to be held out-of-doors.

Classes are regularly scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. A limited number of discussion sections may be scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday until 5:00 p.m. Courses appropriate for a three-hour time period may be scheduled on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday classes may be schedule from 7:30 to 8:50 p.m. when another section of the same course is offered between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. *Faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to avoid scheduling evening events on Tuesday and Thursday*. All-campus time is from 12:05 to 1:00 p.m. every Tuesday when classes are in session. No classes may be scheduled at this time. Requests for changes in class meeting times are discouraged after registration and require approval of the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar. For information on the schedule, please consult with the department/program chair or the registrar, or review the class meeting grid on the registrar's office Web site (http://www.bates.edu/Scheduling-Grid.xml).

No classes may regularly be scheduled on Saturday, but Saturday morning is available, at the instructor's discretion, for occasional scheduling of classes, examinations, and field trips. The department/program chair should be advised of any use of Saturday mornings for such purposes.

### Administrative Course Procedures

NEW COURSE PROPOSALS. Faculty may propose a new course using the Bates electronic course approval routing system (CARS). This system may be accessed from both on and off campus wherever Web access is available. Faculty complete the electronic form and submit it to the appropriate department/program chair(s) for approval. The registrar then assigns it a number, it is reviewed by the catalog editor, and then it comes before the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar (CCC) for review and approval. At each step the instructor and chairs are informed of its progress and a final CCC approval notification is sent via email to all involved. An electronic archive is maintained on the Web and all courses approved are reported to the entire faculty each year.

GENERAL EDUCATION DESIGNATIONS. When a faculty member proposes a new course, he or she should, if appropriate, designate the courses as filling one or more General Education requirements (S, L, Q, W1, W2, W3) at the same time. Courses can be so designated via the Garnet Gateway. Faculty should also contact General Education Concentration coordinators if the course proposed could fulfill one or more General Education concentrations.

### REGISTRATION AND ADJUSTMENT PERIODS.

- 1) Students may add courses during the first five class days of the semester. During the second five class days of a semester, students may add courses with the permission of the instructor. Students may drop courses until the end of the seventh full week of the semester. Exceptions to this adjustment period may be granted only for serious illness or personal emergency by the dean or associate dean of students.
- 2) During the Short Term, a course may be added during the first three class days and dropped during the first five days. Exceptions to this adjustment period may be granted only for serious illness or personal emergency by the dean of students.
- 3) If a student requests a registration adjustment after the deadline, the Office of Registrar and Academic Systems administers late fees according to a predetermined schedule. When it is determined that the cause for the late registration or registration adjustment is considered an administrative error (including student failure to check his or her schedule, to follow or learn the established procedures, or reliance on others to complete registration on his or her behalf), the adjustment is made only after the student pays the late fee and completes and submits the completed registration adjustment form. The Committee on Academic Standing reviews all other requests for late registration adjustments that are not considered purely administrative in nature. More details are available at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Late-Registration.xml">http://www.bates.edu/Late-Registration.xml</a>.
- 4) Course drops during the registration adjustment periods are not recorded on student transcripts, however late withdrawals for individual course drops are recorded. If a student withdraws from Bates, a grade of "W" is recorded for all courses.

## Independent Study and Internship Courses

INDEPENDENT STUDY. Each department and program may elect to offer "independent study" courses to allow students to pursue individually a course of study or research not offered in the Bates curriculum. This may be pursued as a semester course (using the number 360) or a Short Term course (using the number s50). The student designs and plans the independent study, in consultation with the faculty advisor as outlined on the Registration for Independent Study Course form found on the Web site, <a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/admin/offices/reg/IndependentForm.pdf">http://abacus.bates.edu/admin/offices/reg/IndependentForm.pdf</a>.

The work must be completed during the semester or Short Term for which the student has registered for the course approved by a Bates department or program, and supervised by a Bates faculty member who is responsible for evaluation of the work and submission of a grade. Faculty members may refuse independent study requests. (Faculty Legislation, March 2001). The student must be in residence and may not complete an independent study away from campus unless participating in a Bates Fall Semester Abroad.

INTERNSHIPS. Each department and program may elect to offer "internship" courses to allow students to incorporate extracurricular activities into structured, curricular learning experience. This may be pursued as a semester course (normally using the number 421/422) or a Short Term course (normally using the number s41). A faculty member organizes and plans student participation in a work or service activity as part of a course established by the department or program. Students may be supervised directly by someone other than the faculty member, however the Bates faculty member is responsible for oversight of the curricular learning experience, evaluation of the work, and submission of a grade. (Faculty Legislation, March 2001).

### Student Assistants/Teaching Assistants

Student assistants and teaching assistants may be hired to assist the faculty with educational tasks such as proctoring, aiding in laboratories, reading and grading short papers and quizzes, assisting students having difficulty in the course, and helping the faculty with other relevant tasks. They should never work in courses in which they are enrolled, and should not grade major papers, examinations, other work requiring subjective evaluations, or conduct work that ought to remain confidential.

A faculty member who would like to hire a student to perform these tasks must contact the student employment office. The student employment office has a record of all created positions and is responsible for assigning a rate of pay for each job. If a faculty member has a position in mind, the student employment office will assist the faculty member in creating a formal position description and will then grade the position based on the information provided.

Student employees must have all tax forms completed before they are allowed to begin working. International students are limited in the number of hours they may work during the academic year and the summer. The payroll office can advise faculty supervisors on a student's work eligibility.

Students are paid at the regular student hourly wage according to the student pay scale. They submit their hours through a Web time-entry system, and those hours are approved electronically by the faculty supervisor. Students are paid through the payroll office on a bi-weekly schedule.

### The Junior Year and Junior Semester Abroad Program

The purpose of studying abroad, the eligibility requirements, and the Bates off-campus study application and selection process are stated in the *College Catalog*. Basic requirements for selection have been established by faculty vote. The Committee on Off-Campus study, a standing committee of the faculty, approves all participants and regularly reviews the program. Junior Year Abroad (JYA) and Junior Semester Abroad (JSA) programs are administered by the Office of the Dean of Students.

ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR JUNIOR YEAR PROGRAMS. Students who complete academic work under JYA or JSA status are awarded course credits by Bates College through action by the Committee on Off-Campus Study. If the student satisfactorily completes a full academic year as a full-time student (JYA), he or she may choose to receive either 8 course credits or 7 course credits and 1 Short Term course credit. Students who complete the equivalent of a Bates semester abroad (JSA) may receive 4 course credits. Official transcripts or reports from the foreign university designate this completion. Grades earned in JYA or JSA programs are not recorded on the Bates transcript, nor are they computed in the GPA. The major department or program chair, in consultation with the returned student, determines what courses taken abroad may be applied to the department's or program's major requirements, possibly exempting the student from certain requirements. It is thus very important that the student, before going abroad, consult with the department or program chair and establish what must be done during JYA or JSA in order to satisfy all major requirements for graduation.

### The Academic Calendar

The faculty uses a formula for establishing the academic year calendars. This formula, cited below, guides the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar in designating annual calendars five years in advance.

- 1) Fall and winter semesters of 12 full weeks of classes.
- 2) A fall semester beginning on a Wednesday. A fall recess following 6 weeks of classes, beginning after the last class on a Tuesday and ending at 8:00 a.m. on the following Monday, and a one-week Thanksgiving recess beginning at 4:00 p.m. on the Friday preceding Thanksgiving and ending at 8:00 a.m. on the Monday following Thanksgiving.
- 3) A winter semester beginning on the Monday following a 3-week break between semesters. A winter recess of 1 week timed to coincide with the local school holiday.
- 4) A 1-week recess between winter semester and Short Term.
- 5) Short Term of 5 full weeks.
- 6) For those particular years in which the faculty's academic calendar policies result in conflicts between major academic occasions (specifically, the opening of the academic year and the scheduling of final examinations) and the major Christian or Jewish holidays (specifically, Christmas, Good Friday, Easter, Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, and the first two days of Passover), the Committee on Curriculum and Calendar shall designate calendars which avoid such conflicts.

According to faculty vote, classes are suspended on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

# Part 6: Information and Library Services

## The George and Helen Ladd Library

Information and Library Services (ILS) staff provide library services in the George and Helen Ladd Library, which serves the general curricular, reference, and research needs of the College, and in the Edmund S. Muskie Archives and Special Collections Library, which houses the archives, manuscripts, rare books, and other special collections of the College.

### Hours

Library hours, along with hours for other ILS service points, are posted on the Web at: <a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/library/aboutladd/hours.shtml">http://abacus.bates.edu/library/aboutladd/hours.shtml</a>.

### Collection

The library's collection is designed primarily for undergraduate research but faculty members may procure materials not in the collection through the nationwide interlibrary loan network. Currently, the library holds more than 600,000 volumes of print material, 250,000 pieces of microform, 35,000 items of recorded material, and access to more than 40,000 periodicals and serials online. These resources are augmented by the collections of Colby and Bowdoin colleges; the combined library holdings exceed 2,000,000 volumes. Faculty members should consider the Colby and Bowdoin collections as part of the resources available for their research.

### Online Services

ONLINE CATALOG. The central point for information about library holdings is the Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC), which can be consulted at computers located throughout the library, and on almost any personal computer via Web. The system also provides access through MaineCat, to the holdings of Bowdoin, Colby, and other Maine libraries; and through NExpress to the holdings of Colby, Bowdoin, Wellesley, Middlebury, Vassar, and Williams colleges, and Northeastern University.

OTHER ONLINE SERVICES AND ELECTRONIC RESOURCES. Through the Internet, a user may access library catalogs, full-text resources, guides to academic World Wide Web sites, and much more. The library also subscribes to many general and subject-related services that are made available through the Web. The reference librarians are happy to assist faculty members in accessing all online databases.

### Reference and Instructional Services

In addition to individual reference consultation, reference librarians and other information professionals provide instruction on the use of computing and information resources for classes and other groups of students in the library's electronic classroom. Faculty members are encouraged to take advantage of this service so as to provide their students with improved skills in utilizing the library's wealth of information, the growing array of resources available elsewhere, and the computing skills that are now essential to scholarship.

### Circulation

Each faculty member needs a BatesCard to charge out materials from the library. All books are due one year from the date of check out. Books are subject to recall two weeks after check out. All library users are required to return materials recalled for others. Items needed for reserve are subject to immediate recall. Failure to return recalled materials results in a block on circulation privileges. The library expects that all books charged out to faculty members will be returned to the library when due. The material can be checked out again at this time. If a faculty member does not return material after notification is sent, the head of circulation will issue an invoice showing the replacement cost of the material as well as the processing and billing fees. A faculty member is not permitted to charge out additional items until either the material is returned or the invoice is paid. At any time faculty members must pay for replacement cost of any lost items, plus processing and billing fees. The following materials do not circulate: current and bound periodicals, reference books, and microform material. Faculty members should be aware that library policy does not permit staff members to disclose the name of the patron who has borrowed a particular item.

## Assigned Reading for Classes

CIRCULATION RESERVES. The library operates a closed reserve system in circulation. Approximately a month before each semester and Short Term begin, request forms for reserves are sent out to all faculty members. Request forms for the fall semester are sent out during Short Term. All materials brought to Circulation prior to the deadline, at least three weeks before the start of the semester, are processed and ready for the first day of classes. After this date has passed, reserves are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Faculty members are asked not to use the library reserves for purposes other than course-related readings for their students. When possible, library staff members provide a link to an electronic version of reserve text as a convenient alternative to a printed copy. If the desired materials are not available in the library's collection, faculty members should request that the library purchase the materials at least eight weeks before they are needed for reserve purposes (purchase requests should be directed to the library liaisons). Material placed on reserve may be borrowed for a two-hour, one-day, or three-day period; most two-hour reserves may be borrowed overnight. Circulation statistics for reserves are available to faculty members during the semester.

AUDIO/VIDEO RESERVES. Videotapes, DVDs, laserdiscs, LPs, and compact discs may be put on reserve in Audio/Video; requests should be sent to the audio supervisor.

COURSEPACKS. The Library also handles requests for coursepacks for assigned reading for classes, and manages copyright permissions associated with them. Coursepacks are sold in the College store. Library staff regularly remind members of the Faculty about the process, which usually requires three months notice prior to the start of each semester or short term in order to secure permission to use materials.

## Use of Copyrighted Materials

Information and Library Services staff members work with members of the faculty to assure that use of materials in library reserves, course Web sites, coursepacks, and other locations complies with copyright laws. The College's copyright policy is on the Web at <a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/policies/copyright.html">http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/policies/copyright.html</a>.

## **CBB** Consortium

Many materials held at the Bowdoin and Colby libraries may be requested directly through Maine Info Net if the needed materials are not available from these Maine sources, interlibrary loan will seek the materials at other libraries. The Bowdoin, Bates, and Colby libraries employ a delivery service which can usually deliver material in less than three working days after the request is made. A faculty member with a BatesCard may borrow materials over-the-counter at Bowdoin and Colby. CBB Libraries also participate in NExpress, a consortium that includes Wellesley, Middlebury, Vassar, and Williams colleges and Northeastern University. Materials requested within CBB are usually delivered in less than three working days. Delivery from Massachusetts may take longer.

## Interlibrary Loan

Borrowing of materials from other libraries is an essential service of the library to faculty members, staff, and students, and is central to both faculty research and student theses and research projects. Requests are placed electronically from the library's Web page. There is no charge for books or photocopies acquired through interlibrary loan, but the lending of items is subject to conditions imposed by the library owning the materials. These items may not be placed on reserve and generally cannot be renewed; sometimes their use is restricted to in-building use. Periodicals from other libraries are normally not lent; instead, the library purchases photocopies of the particular articles needed.

Class assignments should be conceived within the range of research materials available at the Bates, Bowdoin, or Colby libraries. Assignments which do not require extensive interlibrary loans for long periods of time are encouraged. Materials still in print needed for specific research projects may be requested through the library liaisons.

### Use of Other Libraries

Faculty members wishing to conduct research in libraries other than those at Bowdoin, Bates, or Colby should make their needs known to the librarian, who will write a letter of reference to the library with the desired resources.

## United States Government Publications

The library holds a collection of government publications, dating back to 1883, which is shelved on the ground floor. These documents circulate to faculty, staff, students, and members of the local community.

## Audio and Video Recordings

Circulating video, DVD, and CD recordings may be checked out to students for a three-day period. Circulating and non-circulating video and DVD recordings may be checked out to faculty and staff for a three-day period. All sound recording formats may be checked out to faculty and staff for a 30-day period.

## Purchase of Library Materials

Books are purchased both by selection and through the library's approval plan. The plan's purchase profiles in a given subject area are made in consultation with the faculty. Requests for purchase of all materials, including periodicals, video recordings, sound recordings, and other electronic resources, as well as books should be made through the library liaison who works closely with the faculty member's department or program.

## The Edmund S. Muskie Archives and Special Collections Library

The Edmund S. Muskie Archives and Special Collections Library fosters research and scholarship by making available and encouraging the use of archives, rare books, manuscripts, and other historical materials by students and faculty, as well as scholars from the community at large. These collections provide students from Bates and elsewhere an opportunity to gain firsthand experience in historical research using primary documentary material. Its collections have three major divisions:

The Bates College Archives serves as the official repository of records, publications, photographs, honors theses, oral histories, and other materials of permanent administrative, legal, fiscal, and historical value. It documents the history of the College from its founding in 1855 to the present.

The Manuscript Collections include materials related to the history of the Bates College, including the papers of faculty, staff, alumni and others with strong ties to the College. In addition, because of its roots as a Freewill Baptist institution, the library collects pamphlets, papers, letters, diaries, church records and other materials related to Freewill Baptist organizations, mission work, families, ministers, and individuals, with particular emphasis on nineteenth-century Freewill Baptist material with Bates or New England connections. Other notable strengths of the manuscript collections include material related to the life and work of Edmund S. Muskie, for whom the library is named, and environmentalism. The Edmund S. Muskie Papers include almost all the extant records of the life and work of Edmund S. Muskie (1914-1966), a 1936 Bates graduate who dominated Maine politics from the mid-1950s to 1981 and became a national leader for environmental protection, government reform, and fiscal responsibility. The library also houses the Edmund S. Muskie Oral History Collection, including taped interviews with individuals who knew Muskie or who offer insights into the events and conditions that shaped his life and times. The Dorothy Freeman Collection contains a large body of correspondence with the biologist, writer, and conservationist Rachel Carson.

The Rare Book and Manuscript Collections include publications pertaining to the Freewill Baptists in Maine and New England; nineteenth-century French history and literature; fine-press books published in Maine; Judaica; nineteenth-century books on natural history, particularly ornithology.

Members of the faculty are encouraged to consult with archives and special collections staff to develop research experiences and assignments for students using original documents, photographs, and other materials. Faculty members disposing of College records and personal papers are expected to consult with the staff to determine the records' potential as permanent sources of information for the college archives.

## Computing and Media Services

The staff of Information and Library Services (ILS) provide computers, software, training, and information resources to faculty, students, and staff, and twenty-four hour access to the campus network and academic servers. ILS is the purchasing agent for all College computers, and manages repair services for College-owned machines.

All members of the College community are expected to comply with the Bates College Computer Use Policy, located at <a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/policies/computingPolicy.html">http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/policies/computingPolicy.html</a>.

ILS provides open network connections (so-called SNAP jacks) and wireless access points in selected locations to students, faculty, and staff members. All users connecting personally-owned computers to the campus network are required to have active virus protection software and up-to-date operating system patches installed on their computers.

Academic Technology Services (Pettigrew Hall, Pettengill Hall, Coram Library, and Hathorn Hall) supports faculty computing needs, manages computing labs and classrooms, and works with reference and instructional services staff in the library to offer training in the use of software and electronic resources. More than 175 public microcomputers are clustered in Coram Library, Hathorn Hall, Pettigrew Hall, Pettengill Hall, Dana Chemistry Hall, Carnegie Science Hall, and Ladd Library. Academic Technology Services staff members offer consulting services in finding appropriate software and hardware for specific needs in offices and classrooms, assistance with facility design, and support for presentation needs. Support for course-related Web sites is provided with the learning management system (Lyceum) and related technologies.

Help Desk Services (Ladd Library) provides computing assistance to students, faculty and staff. Help Desk staff members provide direct help services; manage the database that tracks trouble calls, work orders, and customer services; and serve as the clearinghouse for user information on all ILS computing services. The Help Desk number is 8222.

Classroom Technologies and Event Support (CTES) (Pettigrew Hall) provides equipment and assistance for computer labs, classrooms, and College events. For information about classroom audiovisual equipment and services; to borrow a portable computer, projector, or similar item; or to arrange for classroom display of imagery, contact CTES at 6424. Video conferencing among Bates, Bowdoin, and Colby colleges, with connections to other videoconferencing sites, is also available. Complete information on CTES services, including room-by-room descriptions of technology in Bates classrooms, is on the CTES Web-site (<a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/offices/media/index.html">http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/offices/media/index.html</a>).

Network and Infrastructure Services (110 Russell St.) manages the campus network, servers, and storage devices. The network provides access to a wide variety of print and file facilities, software resources, and servers. All student rooms and offices are part of the network. The Bates College computer network is connected to the Internet and supports electronic mail, file transfer, remote login services, and access to the World Wide Web.

As a member of ICPSR (Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research), Bates can obtain databases from many different sources. ILS staff members assist with data extraction from these data sets and statistical packages such as SPSS enable students and faculty members to perform requisite data analysis.

ILS provides a variety of software packages. Information on software used at Bates College is available on the Web at <a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/software/atBates.html">http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/software/atBates.html</a>.

The Bates College World Wide Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu">http://www.bates.edu</a>) is managed as a partnership between Internet Software Services and the Office of Communications and Media Relations. The Bates Web site includes the admissions application, access to Ladd Library, course listings, Web pages for many courses, career services information, news and special events information, sports scores, student home pages, and the online course registration, student and employee records system.

Computer Sales and Services (110 Russell St.) makes computer hardware and software available for private purchase by students, faculty, and staff members, and purchases computering equipment for College use. Dell and Macintosh desktop and laptop microcomputers appropriate for use on the campus network are offered, as are peripherals and software, many at substantially discounted prices. The sales program staff facilitates repair services for privately owned machines, and provides referral for warranty and non-warranty repair services. Costs for non-warranty repairs are charged to the user. Information on sales and connections to vendors can be found on the Web at <a href="http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/offices/sales/">http://abacus.bates.edu/ils/offices/sales/</a>.

Full information on ILS services is located on the Web at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/ils/">http://www.bates.edu/ils/</a>.

## Part 7: Miscellaneous Information

## Research Involving Human Participants or Animal Subjects

Because the College receives federal research grants, and because the faculty seek to ensure that any research involving humans or animals is undertaken in an ethical, fair, and respectful manner, the College has established two committees for review of research involving human participants and animal subjects. Both faculty and students who undertake research using humans or animals are required to comply with the guidelines for proper practices established by these committees.

The Institutional Review Board, composed of faculty members and a member of the local community, oversees research projects involving human participants. All faculty and student research projects supported by research grants involving human participants, all projects where individuals are not allowed to withdraw from participation, all projects where the research procedures poses any mental or physical risk to the participant, all projects where the anonymity/confidentiality of the participants cannot be guaranteed, all projects where deception is a part of the research design and all projects involving children under the age of 18 must be reviewed by the Institutional Review Board. For exceptions to these requirements see the IRB web page at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/fac-grant-info.xml">http://www.bates.edu/fac-grant-info.xml</a>. Specific guidelines that address research protocol, the fair and respectful treatment of participants, issues of confidentiality, and informed consent are available from the Web page listed above.

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, composed of faculty members and a veterinarian from the local community, reviews classroom and research use of vertebrate animals. The committee considers classroom and research protocols to assure that the animals involved are handled properly and humanely and in accordance with Public Health Service guidelines. The committee also conducts routine inspections of the animal colonies in Carnegie Science Hall. Guidelines and information on the review process are available on the faculty grant information Web site listed above.

## Financial Disclosure Policy for National Science Foundation Investigators and All Senior Personnel Funded by Federal Grants

The federal government requires as part of the routine certification process that the College establish and administer a financial disclosure policy for investigators. This is designed to ensure appropriate management of actual or potential conflicts of interest. The Bates College policy fulfills the requirements of grantee institutions as put forth in the National Institutes of Health's guidelines (see <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/coi/index.htm">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/coi/index.htm</a>) and the National Science Foundation's conflict of interest policies (see <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydoc/pappguide/nsf08\_1/aag\_4.jsp#IVA">http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydoc/pappguide/nsf08\_1/aag\_4.jsp#IVA</a>).

For every proposal submitted to the federal agency, each investigator and all senior personnel must disclose to the dean of the faculty (the designated representative) all significant interests, including those of the investigator's spouse, partner, and dependent children (a) that would reasonably appear to be affected by the research or educational activities funded by or proposed for funding to a federal agency, or (b) in any entity whose financial interests would reasonably appear to be affected by the activities of the grant.

- All grant-funded senior personnel are required to disclose to a responsible representative of the institution all significant interests (including those of the investigator's spouse, partner, and dependent children) (i) that would reasonably appear to be affected by the research or educational activities funded or proposed for funding by the federal government; or (ii) in entities whose financial interests would reasonably appear to be affected by such activities.
- Significant financial interest means anything of monetary value, including, but not limited to, salary or other payments for services (e.g., consulting fees, honoraria); equity interest (e.g., stocks, stock options, other ownership interests); and intellectual property rights (e.g., patents, copyrights, and royalties from such rights).
- The term does not include: a) salary, royalties, or other remuneration from the applicant institution; b) any ownership interests in the institution, if the institution is an applicant under the Small Business Innovation Research Program or Small Business Technology Transfer Program; c) income from seminars, lectures, or teaching engagements sponsored by public or nonprofit entities; d) income from service on advisory committees or review panels for public or nonprofit entities; e) any equity interest that, when aggregated for the investigator and the investigator's spouse, partner, and dependent children does not exceed \$10,000 in value as determined through reference to public prices or other

reasonable measures of fair market value, *and* does not represent more than a 5% ownership interest in any single entity; or f) salary, royalties, or other payments that, when aggregated for the investigator and the investigator's spouse, partner, and dependent children, are not expected to exceed \$10,000 during the twelve-month period.

- Investigators must provide all required financial disclosures at the time the proposal is submitted and must update those financial disclosures during the period of the award, either on an annual basis, or as new reportable significant financial interests are obtained.
- An institution must designate one or more persons to review financial disclosures, determine whether a conflict of interest exists, and determine what conditions or restrictions, if any, should be imposed by the institution to manage, reduce, or eliminate such conflict or interest. A conflict of interest exists when the reviewer(s) reasonably determines that a significant financial interest could directly and significantly affect the design, conduct, or reporting of federally-funded research or educational activities.
- The following are examples of conditions or restrictions that might be imposed to manage, reduce, or eliminate conflicts of interest: a) public disclosure of significant financial interests; b) monitoring of research by independent reviewers; c) modification of the research plan; d) disqualification from participation in the portion of the federally-funded research that would be affected by significant financial interests; e) divestiture of significant financial interests; or f) severance of relationships that create conflicts.
- If the reviewer(s) determines that imposing conditions or restrictions would be either ineffective or inequitable, and that the potential negative impacts that may arise from a significant financial interest are outweighed by interests of scientific progress, technology transfer, or the public health and welfare, then the reviewer(s) may allow the research to go forward without imposing such conditions or restrictions.
- The College is required to have adequate enforcement mechanisms, and provide for sanctions where appropriate.
- The College is required to keep the federal granting agency appropriately informed if it is determined that the College is unable to satisfactorily manage a conflict of interest.
- The College must maintain records of all financial disclosures and of all actions taken to resolve conflicts of interest for at least three years beyond the termination or completion of the grant to which they relate, or until the resolution of any federal action involving those records, whichever is longer.

Copies of the College's Disclosure Statement are available from the Office of Corporate and Foundation Relations. It must be completed by all senior personnel who are submitting proposals to a federal funder. The certification page of each proposal cannot be signed until forms for all investigators are submitted to the dean of the faculty. By signing this form the applicant certifies that he/she has read this section of the *Faculty Handbook* and that he/she either a) does not have potential conflicts of interest ("I hereby certify that I have read the *Financial Disclosure Policy* in the *Bates Faculty Handbook* which is effective for all federal proposals submitted through the College. I certify to the best of my knowledge that neither I nor my spouse, partner, or dependents hold any significant financial interests that would reasonably be affected by the research or educational activities proposed for or currently supported by federal funding, or in any entities whose financial interests would reasonably be affected by such activities.") or b) does have potential conflicts (" I have the following relationships, affiliations, activities, or interests (financial or otherwise) which constitute potential conflicts under federal conflict of interest regulations.") Either way, the applicant also declares that he/she will notify the dean of any change or discovery that is in any way contradictory of the above statement.

## Procedures for Responding to Allegations of Misconduct in Scientific Research

Because Bates College receives federal grants in support of scientific research, the Public Health Service Act of 1989 requires the College to establish and disseminate a policy which informs employees of the College's intention of complying fully with the act. This statement of policy reflects the College's desire to comply by establishing a set of procedures for responding to allegations of faculty members' or other employees' misconduct in scientific research. It is made in accordance with the College's "Initial Assurance" provided the PHS. Allegations of students' misconduct shall be referred to the dean of students for consideration according to established College procedures.

Misconduct in science is defined as 1) fabrication, falsification, plagiarism, or other practices that seriously deviate from those that are commonly accepted within the scientific community for proposing, conducting, or reporting research; or 2) material failure to comply with federal requirements that uniquely relate to the conduct of research. It does not include honest error or honest differences in interpretations or judgments of data.\*

Because allegations of misconduct may differ, the procedures outlined below intend to offer a broad framework for investigating any such allegations. The confidentiality of all procedures is essential.

#### **PROCEDURES**

- 1) All allegations of misconduct in research, regardless of the sources of funding, shall be brought to the attention of the dean of the faculty.
- 2) Upon receiving a written allegation of misconduct in research, the dean shall meet with the chair of the accused colleague's division to decide whether or not the allegation requires further investigation. The division chairs may be consulted upon agreement by the dean and the relevant division chair or chair of interdisciplinary programs.
- 3) If the dean and division chair (or chair of interdisciplinary programs), or the division chairs collectively determine that the allegation merits further action, the dean shall initiate formal procedures by establishing an investigating committee of three to five persons. The members of the investigating committee shall be appointed by the president in consultation with the dean. Members of the investigating committee shall be knowledgeable and impartial judges of the allegation and may include at least one qualified person from outside the Bates faculty. The colleague who has allegedly been involved in misconduct shall be informed of the membership of the investigating committee.
- 4) The investigating committee shall undertake a careful and thorough review of the facts of the allegation. The accused colleague shall be kept informed of the procedures to be followed and of the nature of the evidence presented, and shall be invited to appear before the investigating committee to respond to the allegation.
- 5) The dean of the faculty shall be kept informed of the activity of the investigating committee, and receive its written report at the conclusion of its investigation. The accused colleague shall also receive the written report, and be given adequate time to respond in writing to the dean of the faculty. The response from the accused colleague shall include any corrections regarding the report.
- 6) If the allegation has been substantiated, the dean shall make a recommendation to the president regarding an appropriate sanction.
- 7) Minutes of the meeting of the division chairs and of the investigating committee shall be maintained in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.
- 8) The period of time for the initial inquiry and the completion of the investigation normally shall not exceed 180 days beyond the date when the allegation was first presented to the dean.

Throughout the processes of initial inquiry, subsequent investigation, and the colleague's responses, all participants must bear in mind several considerations:

- a) The importance, in fact and appearance, of fairness, objectivity, and reasonable expediency.
  - b) Protecting, to the maximum extent possible, the privacy of those who in good faith report alleged misconduct.
  - c) Protecting, to the maximum extent possible, the rights and privacy of the accused colleague, including the right to be informed of the alleged misconduct, of the evidence in support of the allegations, and other procedures to be followed.

### RESEARCH MISCONDUCT

- d) The importance of ensuring that the professional interests and integrity of the faculty are respected.
- e) The importance of consulting with outside agencies or institutions which have an interest in the research in question.

This statement of procedures shall be printed annually in the *Faculty Handbook*, and otherwise be available to members of the faculty through the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

\*Basic definition provided by Federal NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts (Vol. 18, No. 30; September 1, 1989).

## Foreign Exchange Visitors

Teaching and learning are enriched by the diverse experiences and viewpoints of individuals who join the College community. Bates encourages faculty members to invite speakers, artists, and performers to the campus to participate in courses and/or to present their work to the College community and the public. These individuals are almost always compensated for their work at the College, and therefore must be eligible to work in the United States and possess to proper visa to do so.

If an individual faculty member, a committee, or a department of program wishes to invite a non-U.S. national to the campus to meet with students or faculty, give a talk or reading, present a performance, set a dance, exhibit works of art, or pursue some other activity for which the visitor will be compensated, they must confirm that the visitor has U.S. work authorization and has a proper visa to do the work requested of him or her.

To invite a foreign visitor to the campus, faculty must contact the Office of the Dean of the Faculty immediately. The dean's office can help assess the visitor's visa options and describe the process for securing a visa. In most cases, the dean's office actually files a visa petition on behalf of the foreign national, prepares paperwork, and arranges required insurance.

Inviting scholars, experts, and practitioners from abroad involves considerable time and effort by the College and by the visitor. When applying for support for scholars and others from abroad, faculty members must consider the amount of time required to secure an appropriate visa, usually a J-1 visa. Ideally, six to nine months are needed to secure a visa for twelve months or more may be needed to secure a visa for a scholar from a country that the U.S. government regards with suspicion. Securing visas for visitors from Cuba also requires extra time because of trade and visitation restrictions with that country, and travel restrictions imposed by the Cuban government.

Airline tickets should not be purchased for the foreign visitor until his or her visa status is confirmed.

For more information on foreign visitors, please contact the dean of the faculty's office, ext. 6065.

## Jury Duty

Members of the College community are encouraged to serve, as a matter of good citizenship, when called upon for jury duty as a court witness. General information on jury duty for employees is outlined in the *Employee Handbook* (Section 315).

When faculty members are called for jury duty during semesters or the Short Term in which they are teaching, their obligation to their students may be adversely affected by prolonged or unpredictable absences. Faculty members called for jury duty during regular teaching periods may have significant problems meeting their academic responsibilities, therefore they may request a deferment from the court. Such a request must be made in writing to the appropriate court, and should explain that the faculty member's teaching obligations cannot be met by a substitute. The faculty member should request a deferment of their service until the summer or the next term in which they are not teaching.

## Commencement and Convocations

Faculty are expected to be present for Commencement and convocations. Dress for these and other ceremonial occasions is academic, appropriate to the highest earned degree. Faculty members actively working upon a higher degree than presently held, and who may reasonably be expected to receive this degree in a few years, will be considered appropriately dressed in bachelor's gown without hood. Catalogs and price lists of most manufacturers of academic dress are available in the College Store. Such purchase, expected by the College, may be a tax-deductible expense.

### Office of Communications and Media Relations

The Office of Communication and Media Relations (CMR) is the College's primary communications link with print and electronic media, alumni, parents, and other key off-campus constituencies. CMR is responsible for the College's major publications, media relations, sports information, and official content of the Bates Web site. In support of the College's strategic planning, CMR's mission is to help attract the best students possible, the best faculty, and support for the College. CMR coordinates the College's graphic identity program, and maintains and updates a style guide for College print and Web publications (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/communications.xml">http://www.bates.edu/communications.xml</a>).

## The College Store

Sale to students of any books or course materials is made only through the College Store. Even in cases where course syllabi and laboratory manuals are written and published within the College, if any charge to the student is involved, the transaction must be made through the College Store.

Faculty are required to submit lists of textbooks and other class materials to the course materials buyer of the College Store, who will contact faculty with requests for each term (fall, winter, and Short Term). Text deadlines are listed on the College Store's Web site (<a href="http://www.bates.edu/x41578.xml">http://www.bates.edu/x41578.xml</a>).

General information on the College Store is also available at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/x22011.xml">http://www.bates.edu/x22011.xml</a>.

### Academic Administrative Assistants and Project Specialist

Support services are offered to all faculty through Academic Administrative Assistants (AAAs) and project assistant. For extra scholarship support, please contact the director of academic operations in the dean of the faculty's office.

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS (AAAS) (formerly known as area coordinators) primarily provide support to assigned departments and programs; the nature of their work varies according to the needs of those departments and programs. AAAs are located across campus in Pettengill Hall, Carnegie Science Hall, Hathorn Hall, Pettigrew Hall, Olin Arts Center, and 73/75 Campus Avenue. They assist faculty with materials pertaining to course work. They also support departments, programs, and committees. They assist in organizing and publicizing special events sponsored by departments and programs. They oversee student workers, maintain supplies and equipment, provide word processing and database management, and conduct day-to-day operations such as photocopying, answering telephones, and filing.

A PROJECT SPECIALIST is located in 7 Lane Hall and is available to all faculty. The project specialist coordinates faculty recruitment, supports and coordinates events for the Honors Committee and Graduate Fellowship Committee.

### Office Services

Office Services is located in Room 1 of Lane Hall. Office Services coordinates simple design layout, copying, printing, digital wide-format printing, and mailing. It is most economical to use Office Services for most copying needs, particularly for printing 50 or more copies. Although convenient, distributed copiers in buildings cost up to 20% more to use. This office provides stamps, envelopes, papers, labeling, folding, collating, binding, stapling, and laminating. An outgoing fax machine is available for use by the Bates community. Office Services also provides U.S. mail, FedEx, UPS, and DHL services.

Office Services has a variety of paper for print and copy needs, including colored and recycled papers. This office also orders department stationery, envelopes, and business cards. Ordering stationery once a year is most economical; this annual order occurs in May for July delivery.

#### CAMPUS POST OFFICE

Located in Chase Hall near the College Store, the Campus Post Office coordinates all student mail services and the campus mail route.

Mail is delivered to departments and programs once a day, Monday through Friday. Outgoing campus and U.S. mail is picked up from those locations as well.

Arranging correspondence to students in the numerical order of the mailboxes greatly increases delivery speed. Because students share mailboxes, papers, exams, or any confidential material must not be sent through campus mail.

### Parking

Faculty members must register their vehicles with the Security and Campus Safety Office and receive a parking permit *prior* to parking on campus. There is no charge for registration. Once a parking permit has been obtained and attached to the left rear passenger window of the vehicle, faculty members may park in any designated parking space allotted for faculty and staff. Failure to do so results in ticketing of the car. Parking ticket fees are paid at the Office of Student Financial Services, Libbey Forum. Parking on city streets is regulated and enforced by the city of Lewiston. Some street parking restrictions are enforced by the Lewiston Police Department during the winter months. Parking tickets should be paid in full within three weeks of issuance.

### Kevs

New faculty request keys through the dean of faculty's office. The key request is forwarded to the access control office for key pick up. Current faculty who need a key should request the key through their department or program chair. Please see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/key-pick-up.xml">http://www.bates.edu/key-pick-up.xml</a> for office hours.

Faculty on leave are requested to return their college keys to the access control office to be held while they are away. Faculty leaving the employment of the College are required to return all Bates keys by the termination date of the contract. In the case of unreturned keys, locks are changed and the department is charged the cost of rekeying and issuing new keys.

Lost keys must be reported to the access control office immediately. Replacement key requests are reviewed by the director of security and campus safety for approval. Rekeying charges for lost keys are charged to the department.

### **Identification Cards**

All faculty are issued BatesCards, identification cards bearing a photograph, College ID number and barcode. The exterior doors of many academic and all athletic buildings are equipped with electronic access. BatesCards are used to access those buildings by presenting the BatesCard at the card reader. BatesCards are also used for library circulation; admission to athletic facilities, key issuance and admission to some College events. The BatesCard may also be used as an ATM card.

## **Event and Space Reservation Procedures**

Members of the faculty, in connection with their courses and regular advisory functions, and student groups recognized by the Bates College Student Government, are invited to make use of College facilities and service, subject to established policies. So that an orderly coordination of demand and available space or service can be maintained, an online event reservation system has been developed. Faculty are expected to follow reservation procedures whenever they need space, equipment, or services not regularly assigned to them. Classrooms are assigned by the registrar for use during class hours; classroom space is reserved at other times through the online system *events.bates.edu*.

Reservations for meetings and special events may be submitted by faculty members through the online reservation system, which can be found at *events.bates.edu*. Information on the reservation form includes a brief description of the event planned, its scheduled time, the space and/or services requested, the name of the sponsoring organization along with the individual making the request, and the type of publicity needed, if any. Once submitted, the reservation is approved by the appropriate office, the event may be listed in the online events calendar, and the facilities, services, and/or announcements are provided as requested. For additional information and answers to frequently asked questions about the system see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/x115416.xml">http://www.bates.edu/x115416.xml</a>.

It is important that requests for space use or service be submitted at least one week before the time of the event to insure that the various offices may be notified of their obligations. When catering is required for an event, a request should be made to the catering office at least three working days before the event to avoid a late charge (see <a href="http://www.bates.edu/Prebuilt/dining-guide.pdf">http://www.bates.edu/Prebuilt/dining-guide.pdf</a> for catering information). When the service of alcoholic beverages is requested for an event in any space except New Commons, the request must be made at least three weeks in advance as a state liquor license must be secured so that liquor can be served. In unusual circumstances requests may be processed more quickly, but in such cases there should be a compelling reason why the usual procedures could not be followed. Events that require publicity beyond the Bates campus rely upon the efforts of the Office of Communications and Media Relations. The Office of Communications and Media Relations should be contacted as soon as the event is scheduled so as to enable the meeting of publication deadlines for the Monthly Calendar and semester calendar of cultural events.

It is not necessary to enter a separate request for every one of a continuing series of meetings or events, provided the days, time, and place of the entire series are consistent. An ongoing reservation is available for reserving facilities on a long-term basis. The ongoing reservation must be renewed at the beginning of each year.

The online calendar is available for consultation at all times at <a href="http://events.bates.edu">http://events.bates.edu</a>. The system lists by location events scheduled and approved to date. This scheduling system should be checked before final planning of an event. Whenever possible, significant events should not be scheduled in conflict.

Bates College scheduling policies and guidelines are available at <a href="http://www.bates.edu/events.help.xml">http://www.bates.edu/events.help.xml</a>.

## College Emergency Procedures and Policies

(including weather emergencies)
Revised by the senior staff April 2001

The offices of the president, the deans of faculty and students, security, and communications as well as the Health Center develop and coordinate the College's responses to emergencies. All faculty members should be familiar with the policies and procedures regarding campus emergencies, including weather emergencies, which are described in detail on the following Web sites:

General information: http://www.bates.edu/x31822.xml and http://www.bates.edu/emergencies.xml

Weather emergencies: <a href="http://www.bates.edu/emergencies.xml">http://www.bates.edu/emergencies.xml</a>
Emergency announcements: <a href="http://www.bates.edu/x31822.xml">http://www.bates.edu/x31822.xml</a>

Fire, crimes, or vehicular accidents: http://www.bates.edu/x180150.xml

## Policies for Holding Classes in Emergencies

MANAGEMENT OF EMERGENCIES. In general, the president, with the senior staff, is responsible for identifying and monitoring emergencies at the College. As needed, the president and senior staff are advised by persons with particular expertise such as the director of security, director of human resources, director of physical plant, director of health services, and director of communications and media relations. While emergencies can take many forms, most, in Maine, involve weather.

As relevant, the administration identifies and declares an emergency, and empowers specific individuals to establish priorities and coordinate emergency efforts, especially communication with faculty, students, and staff about closures and cancellations.

At the announcement of an emergency, the administration determines whether College services will be open or closed. Any announcements of closures are made via several media, electricity permitting. It may be decided to close the offices of the College and/or cancel classes. When offices are closed, only "essential" personnel report for work as scheduled. Essential personnel are those whose service is critical to the operation of the College, recognizing the particular needs of a residential institution. When an emergency is declared and only essential staff employees report, the staffing is minimal in offices and services of the College.

CLASSES. If the College is in session when an emergency is declared, the operating assumption is that *classes continue to be held.* The announcement would be:

"Due to inclement weather, Bates College offices are closed. Only personnel designated in advanced as essential should report to work. Dining Services will be available. Classes will be held unless specifically canceled by the instructor. Students should check their email and the learning management system to determine if individual classes have been canceled by the instructor."

On rare occasions, the administration may declare an emergency so severe that classes are canceled. The announcement would be:

"Due to inclement weather, Bates College is closed. Only personnel designated in advance as essential should report to work. Dining Services will be available. Classes are canceled."

These announcements are made through a Blackboard Connect to the College community, on the Web site if it is operating, and on local radio and television stations.

Even if classes are not canceled, individual instructors whose travel to the campus would be hazardous, or who, for other reasons, are unable to meet their classes, may decide to cancel their classes and reschedule them at a later date. Instructors who cancel classes must, to the best of their ability, inform their students. An instructor may notify students through email class list-serves or via the learning management system (LMS). It should be noted, however, that LMS is

not interfaced with the College's email system. Thus informing students via LMS lists requires that students log into LMS to check for messages. The instructor also should inform his or her area coordinator if that staff member is available on campus. If the coordinator is unavailable and the instructor is unable to communicate with his or her students, he or she should telephone Jill Reich, dean of the faculty, at 786-6066.

All instructors are advised to include on their course syllabi information on how class meeting cancellations are communicated to students (e.g., via email class lists or LMS), with instructions for students on how to check for the information.

Instructors who cancel a class should make up the class at a later date; they should reschedule during regular academic class meeting times using the campus calendar and web request form to schedule an appropriate room and time.

DISRUPTED COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS. In the event that electricity, Web and/or phone services are disrupted, the security office, or a designated alternate site, is the College's central communication center. An emergency telephone information number, 786-6111 is provided and published in College publications (*Bates Directory* and *Bates Student Handbook*). This number can be used to obtain current information.