



Destination Bates

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Welcome to **Destination Bates**, your (mostly) biweekly newsletter that guides you smoothly through summer, and gets you prepared for life at Bates.

Today's updates:

- Your [Bates 101 August Resources](#) are now available on Garnet Gateway. This release introduces you to three mandatory online experiences that must be completed prior to arrival to campus:
 - **Support | Action | Accountability** (accessed via Garnet Gateway)
 - **Well-Being @ Bates Part 1** (accessed via personal invite to your Bates inbox)
 - **ResLife @ Bates** (accessed via personal invite to your Bates inbox)
 - These experiences are crafted intentionally for you as you prepare to start your Bates adventure in a few short weeks. While they are mandatory, they're also *worth it* - don't delay in engaging with them.
- As Arrival Day approaches, you may be wondering "How do I get a job on campus?" At Bates, we use a platform called [Handshake](#) to post on-campus jobs. Take a peek - many offices and departments already have fall positions available - and apply today! A guide to using Handshake can be found in your **Bates 101** August Resources.
- As a reminder, you are required to complete all 6 lessons of the *Perspectives* program by **Wednesday, August 19**. Upon doing so, you'll be entered into a drawing to win a **Nintendo Switch 2, Sony wireless noise cancelling headphones, Bates beverage holders, or \$25 College Store gift cards!** [You can access the program](#)

[here](#). [Check out the login guide here](#). Questions? Shoot us an email at fye@bates.edu.

- **Reminder:** The [full Orientation schedule](#) is now live on the FYE website - note the tabs for General Orientation and In-Season Fall Athlete Orientation. There may be a few additions over the coming days, but this should give you a good idea of what's in store once you arrive on campus.

That's it for now! If anything comes up at any time, don't hesitate to reach out to us by replying to this email, emailing fye@bates.edu, or calling us at 207.755.5900. We're so excited to welcome you to campus in the fall, and want to hear from you.

With Bobcat spirit,

[The First-Year Experience Team at Bates](#)



Upcoming Dates

- **Wed 8/19:**
 - All remaining New Student Forms are due on Garnet Gateway.
 - All *Perspectives* lessons must be complete.

[Check out all upcoming dates here.](#)

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