

Abigail Lee Bates

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EDUCATION

Bates College, Lewiston, ME

Expected Graduation: May 2028

Bachelor of Arts, Major: Politics, Minor: Spanish, Concentration: "Knowledge, Action and the Public Good"

GPA: 3.89 | Dean's List Recipient 4 semesters; Albion Morse Stevens Award in Foreign Language (2024)

Brooklyn Technical High School, Brooklyn, NY

Graduation: June 2024

GPA 3.82/4.0

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Harward Center for Community Partnerships, Bates College, Lewiston, ME

November 2024 - Present

Action and Research Team Fellow

- Design digital materials and develop strategies for future voter education and mobilization campaigns at Bates
- Produced and distributed over 500 physical informational packets for a student digital awareness campaign

Math and Statistics Workshop, Bates College, Lewiston, ME

August 2024 - Present

Tutor: Statistics for Political Analysis

- Assisted students with utilizing the programming language, R, in classroom analysis of political trends
- Held biweekly remote review sessions for students in addition to taking private appointments
- Verified submission of and graded weekly homework assignments for a 55 student cohort

International Rescue Committee, Brooklyn, NY

May - August 2025

Refugee Resettlement Intern

- Empowered refugees and asylees through conversation in English and French, improving personal proficiency along the way
- Assisted casework staff with reception services to clients, including enrollment in government benefits, scheduling doctor's appointments, and contacting health insurance providers
- Advocated for clients applying for government benefits and helped clients prepare and understand forms and paperwork
- Organized case files using Excel and authored complementary detailed task reports summarizing client interactions
- Became the point person for issues relating to applying for government benefits via NYC Access HRA

Harward Center for Community Partnerships, Bates College, Lewiston, ME

August - May 2024

Co-Coordinator of Bates Votes and Campus Election Engagement Project Fellow

- Worked with the nonpartisan engagement teams on campus
- Reached out to peers, helped register fellow students to vote, navigated them through voting rules, distributed our nonpartisan candidate guides and other educational materials, and organized and carried out "Get Out the Vote" events
- Created "Why We Vote" series of conversations aimed to engage students on the nuances of voting beyond the act of casting a ballot, emphasizing that people's social locations shape different relationships with voting and electoral politics

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Bates Cycling Club, Bates College, Lewiston, ME

September 2025 - Present

Club Officer

- Planned group rides, managed funds, and lead meetings for 60+ student cyclists, from beginners to professional competitors
- Established a 4 month volunteer program for Bates students involvement with a local elementary school's bike club; planned lessons and led weekly sessions with 15 fifth grade students on cycling technique, road safety, and bike maintenance

Empowering Young Minds Theme House, Bates College, Lewiston, ME

August 2024 - May 2025

Theme House Coordinator

- Organized the Empowering Young Minds Theme House that seeks to create a welcoming, safe space for womxn of color/marginalized gender identities by sharing our intersectional experiences with others in the Bates community

Bates Office of Admissions, Bates College, Lewiston, ME

August 2024 - May 2025

Recruitment and Diversity Coordinator

- Supported the Office of Admission with the goal of recruiting a talented and diverse class through candid discussion with prospective students of diverse backgrounds; facilitated video information sessions for families and prospective students
- Organized overnight/Day Hosting Programs and the diversity fly-in event, Prologue for 100+ incoming students

LANGUAGES, SKILLS, AND INTERESTS

Languages: French (professional working proficiency), Spanish (5 semesters)

Skills: Highly experienced in public speaking, R programming language, InDesign, Photoshop, Canva, GSuite (proficiency in Excel)

Interests: Cycle touring, community engagement, pickleball, voter engagement, fiber arts, computer coding