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In compliance with the Campus Security Act of 1990, Bowdoin College maintains and provides information about campus safety policies and procedures and crime statistics. A copy of the report is available upon request.

Bowdoin College and the other members of the New England Small College Athletic Conference take strong stands against abusive drinking and its negative side effects. The vast majority of students at these colleges who choose to drink alcohol do so responsibly. Those who abuse alcohol receive a combination of discipline and education. Additionally, all of the member schools expressly prohibit hazing.

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January 2, Friday         College holiday, many offices closed
January 17, Saturday      College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.
January 19, Monday        Martin Luther King Jr. Day (College holiday, many offices closed)
January 19, Monday        Spring semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.
February 5-7, Thurs.-Sat. Meetings of the Board of Trustees
February 16, Monday       Presidents’ Day, classes in session (College holiday, many offices closed)
March 6, Friday           Spring vacation begins after last class
March 7, Saturday         College housing closes for spring vacation, noon
March 21, Saturday        College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.
March 23, Monday          Spring vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
April 2-4, Thurs.-Sat.    Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors, and BASIC National Advisory Board meetings
April 8-16, Wed.-Thurs.   Passover, begins at sunset on April 8 and concludes at sunset on April 16
April 10, Friday          Good Friday
April 12, Sunday          Easter
May 6, Wednesday          Last day of classes; Honors Day
May 7-10, Thurs.-Sun.     Reading period
May 7-9, Thurs.-Sat.      Meetings of the Board of Trustees
May 11-16, Mon.-Sat.      Spring semester examinations
May 17, Sunday            College housing closes for non-graduating students, noon
May 22, Friday            Baccalaureate
May 23, Saturday          The 204th Commencement Exercises
May 23, Saturday          College housing closes for graduating students, 6:00 p.m.
May 25, Monday            Memorial Day (College holiday, many offices closed)
May 28-31, Thurs.-Sun.    Reunion Weekend
July 3, Friday            Fourth of July holiday—Observed (College holiday, many offices closed)

Notes:
Regular class schedules in effect on holidays listed unless otherwise noted. Staff, check with supervisor to determine if office is closed.
*Wednesday, November 26 classes will be rescheduled on a class-by-class basis by the course instructor.
208th Academic Year (proposed calendar subject to change)

2009

August 21, Friday
Ramadan begins at first light

August 25-29, Tues.-Sat.
Pre-Orientation Trips

August 29, Saturday
College housing ready for occupancy for first-year students only, 8:00 a.m.

August 29-Sept. 2, Sat.-Wed.
Orientation

September 1, Tuesday
College housing ready for occupancy for upperclass students, 8:00 a.m.

September 2, Wednesday
Opening of the College—Convocation, 3:30 p.m.

September 3, Thursday
Fall semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.

September 7, Monday
Labor Day (College holiday, many offices closed)

September 10-12, Thurs.-Sat.
Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors, and BASIC National Advisory Board meetings

September 12, Saturday
Common Good Day (athletic teams away)

September 18-20, Fri.-Sun.
Rosh Hashanah, begins at sunset on Sept. 18 and concludes at sunset on Sept. 20

September 20, Monday
Ramadan ends at last light

September 27-28, Sun.-Mon.
Yom Kippur, begins at sunset on Sept. 27 and concludes at sunset on Sept. 28

October 9, Friday
Fall vacation begins after last class; Note: Columbus Day is Monday, Oct. 12

October 14, Wednesday
Fall vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.

October 15-17, Thurs.-Sat.
Meetings of the Board of Trustees (athletic teams home)

October 16-18, Fri.-Sun.
Homecoming Weekend (athletic teams home)

October 30, Friday
Sarah and James Bowdoin Day (athletic teams home)

Oct. 30- Nov. 1, Fri.-Sun.
Parents Weekend (athletic teams home)

November 25, Wednesday
Thanksgiving vacation begins, 8:00 a.m.* (November 25-27: College holidays, many offices closed)

November 30, Monday
Thanksgiving vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.

December 11, Friday
Last day of classes

December 12-15, Sat.-Tues.
Reading period

December 16-21, Wed.-Mon.
Fall semester examinations

December 22, Tuesday
College housing closes for winter break, noon

December 24, Thursday
Christmas Eve holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)

December 25, Friday
Christmas holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)

December 31, Thursday
New Year’s Eve holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)
2010

January 1, Friday
New Year’s holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)

January 18, Monday
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (College holiday, many offices closed)

January 23, Saturday
College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.

January 25, Monday
Spring semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.

February 11-13, Thurs.-Sat.
Meetings of the Board of Trustees

February 15, Monday
Presidents’ Day, classes in session (College holiday, many offices closed)

March 12, Friday
Spring vacation begins after last class

March 13, Saturday
College housing closes for spring vacation, noon

March 27, Saturday
College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.

March 29, Monday
Spring vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.

March 30-April 6, Tues.-Tues.
Passover, begins at sunset on March 30 and concludes at sunset on April 6

April 2, Friday
Good Friday

April 4, Sunday
Easter

April 8-10, Thurs.-Sat.
Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors, and BASIC National Advisory Board meetings

May 12, Wednesday
Last day of classes; Honors Day

May 13-15, Thurs.-Sat.
Meetings of the Board of Trustees

May 13-16, Thurs.-Sun.
Reading period

May 17-22, Mon.-Sat.
Spring semester examinations

May 23, Sunday
College housing closes for non-graduating students, noon

May 28, Friday
Baccalaureate

May 29, Saturday
The 205th Commencement Exercises

May 29, Saturday
College housing closes for graduating students, 6:00 p.m.

May 31, Monday
Memorial Day (College holiday, many offices closed)

June 3-6, Thurs.-Sun.
Reunion Weekend

July 5, Monday
Fourth of July holiday—Observed (College holiday, many offices closed)

Regular class schedules in effect on holidays listed unless otherwise noted. Staff, check with supervisor to determine if office is closed.

*Wednesday, November 25 classes will be rescheduled on a class-by-class basis by the course instructor.
209th Academic Year (proposed calendar subject to change)

2010

August 10, Tuesday  Ramadan begins at first light
August 24-28, Tues.-Sat. Pre-Orientation Trips
August 28, Saturday  College housing ready for occupancy for first-year students only, 8:00 a.m.
August 28-September 1, Sat.-Wed. Orientation
August 31, Tuesday  College housing ready for occupancy for upperclass students, 8:00 a.m.

September 1, Wednesday  Opening of the College—Convocation, 3:30 p.m.
September 2, Thursday  Fall semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.
September 6, Monday Labor Day (College holiday, many offices closed)
September 8-10, Wed.-Fri. Rosh Hashanah, begins at sunset on Sept. 8 and concludes at sunset on Sept. 10
September 10, Friday  Ramadan ends at last light
September 17-18, Fri.-Sat. Yom Kippur, begins at sunset on Sept. 17 and concludes at sunset on Sept. 18
Sept. 23-25, Thurs.-Sat. Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors, and BASIC National Advisory Board meetings
Sept. 25, Saturday  Common Good Day (athletic teams away)
Sept. 30-Oct. 2, Thurs.-Sat. Meetings of the Board of Trustees (athletic teams home)
October 1-3, Fri.-Sun.  Homecoming Weekend (athletic teams home)
October 8, Friday  Fall vacation begins after last class; Note: Columbus Day is Monday, Oct. 11
October 13, Wednesday  Fall vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
October 22, Friday  Sarah and James Bowdoin Day (athletic teams home)
October 22-24, Fri.-Sun. Parents Weekend (Athletic teams home)
November 24, Wednesday Thanksgiving vacation begins, 8:00 a.m.* (November 24-26: College holidays, many offices closed)
November 29, Monday  Thanksgiving vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
December 10, Friday  Last day of classes
December 11-14, Sat.-Tues. Reading period
December 15-20, Wed.-Mon. Fall semester examinations
December 21, Tuesday  College housing closes for winter break, noon
December 24, Friday  Christmas Eve holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)
December 27, Monday  Christmas holiday observed (College holiday, many offices closed)
December 30, Thursday  New Year’s Eve holiday observed (College holiday, many offices closed)
December 31, Friday  New Year’s Day observed (College holiday, many offices closed)
College Calendar

2011

January 1, Saturday  
New Year’s holiday (observed in 2010—see above)

January 17, Monday  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (College holiday, many offices closed)

January 22, Saturday  
College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.

January 24, Monday  
Spring semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.

February 10-12, Thurs.-Sat.  
Meetings of the Board of Trustees

February 21, Monday  
Presidents’ Day, classes in session (College holiday, many offices closed)

March 11, Friday  
Spring vacation begins after last class

March 12, Saturday  
College housing closes for spring vacation, noon

March 26, Saturday  
College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.

March 28, Monday  
Spring vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.

Apr. 7-9, Thurs.-Sat.  
Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors, and BASIC National Advisory Board meetings

April 18-26, Mon.-Tues.  
Passover, begins at sunset on April 18 and concludes at sunset on April 26

April 22, Friday  
Good Friday

April 24, Sunday  
Easter

May 11, Wednesday  
Last day of classes; Honors Day

May 12-14, Thurs.-Sat.  
Meetings of the Board of Trustees

Reading period

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Spring semester examinations

May 22, Sunday  
College housing closes for non-graduating students, noon

May 27, Friday  
Baccalaureate

May 28, Saturday  
The 206th Commencement Exercises

May 28, Saturday  
College housing closes for graduating students, 6:00 p.m.

May 30, Monday  
Memorial Day (College holiday, many offices closed)

June 2-5, Thurs.-Sun.  
Reunion Weekend

July 4, Monday  
Fourth of July holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)

Regular class schedules in effect on holidays listed unless otherwise noted. Staff, check with supervisor to determine if office is closed.

*Wednesday, November 24 classes will be rescheduled on a class-by-class basis by the course instructor.
General Information

Bowdoin is an independent, nonsectarian, coeducational, residential, undergraduate, liberal arts college located in Brunswick, Maine, a town of approximately 22,000 situated close to the Maine coast, 25 miles from Portland and about 120 miles from Boston.

Terms and Vacations: The College holds two sessions each year. The dates of the semesters and the vacation periods are indicated in the College Calendar on pages vi–xi.

Accreditation: Bowdoin College is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Enrollment: The student body numbers about 1,710 students (48 percent male, 52 percent female; last two classes 49/51 percent and 50/50 percent); about 250 students study away one or both semesters annually; 90 percent complete the degree within five years.

Faculty: Student/faculty ratio 10:1; the equivalent of 177 full-time faculty in residence, 94 percent with Ph.D. or equivalent; 22 head athletic coaches.

Geographic Distribution of Students: New England, 43.6 percent; Middle Atlantic states, 23.1 percent; Midwest, 7.5 percent; West, 11.1 percent; Southwest, 2.8 percent; South, 6.8 percent; international, 4.9 percent. Fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and thirty countries are represented. Minority and international enrollment is 30 percent.

Statistics: As of June 2008, 35,443 students have matriculated at Bowdoin College, and 27,456 degrees in academic programs have been awarded. In addition, earned master's degrees have been awarded to 274 postgraduate students. Living alumni include 17,484 graduates, 1,920 nongraduates, 125 honorary degree holders (42 alumni, 83 non-alumni), 33 recipients of the Certificate of Honor, and 246 graduates in the specific postgraduate program.

Offices and Office Hours: The Admissions Office is located in Burton-Little House. Offices of the president and dean for academic affairs are located in Hawthorne-Longfellow Hall, the west end of Hawthorne-Longfellow Library. The Treasurer's Office is located in Ham House on Bath Road. Business offices and the Human Resources Office are in the McLellan Building at 85 Union Street. The Development and Alumni Relations offices are located at 83 and 85 Federal Street and in Copeland House. The Office of the Registrar, the Dean of Student Affairs Office, and Bowdoin Career Planning are in the Moulton Union. The Counseling Service is at 32 College Street. The Department of Facilities Management and the Office of Safety and Security are in Rhodes Hall.

For additional information on College offices and buildings, see Campus and Buildings, page 380, and the Campus Map and list of offices on pages 384–87.

In general, the administrative offices of the College are open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Telephone Switchboard: Bowdoin College uses an automated call processing system on its main number, 207-725-3000. A live operator can be reached 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by pressing “0.” Further information about telephone numbers can be found on the Bowdoin College Web site at www.bowdoin.edu.
The Mission of the College

It is the mission of the College to engage students of uncommon promise in an intense full-time education of their minds, exploration of their creative faculties, and development of their social and leadership abilities, in a four-year course of study and residence that concludes with a baccalaureate degree in the liberal arts.

Two guiding ideas suffuse Bowdoin’s mission. The first, from the College of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, defines education in terms of a social vision. “Literary institutions are founded and endowed for the common good, and not for the private advantage of those who resort to them . . . but that their mental powers may be cultivated and improved for the benefit of society” (President Joseph McKeen’s inaugural address, 1802); “To lose yourself in generous enthusiasms and cooperate with others for common ends . . .; this is the offer of the College” (President William DeWitt Hyde, 1903). The second idea stresses the formation of a complete individual for a world in flux: there is an intrinsic value in a liberal arts education of breadth and depth, beyond the acquisition of specific knowledge, that will enable a thinking person “to be at home in all lands and all ages” (President Hyde).

At the root of this mission is selection. First, and regardless of their wealth, Bowdoin selects men and women of varied gifts; diverse social, geographic, and racial backgrounds; and exceptional qualities of mind and character. Developed in association with one another, these gifts will enable them to become leaders in many fields of endeavor. Second, it recruits faculty members of high intellectual ability and scholarly accomplishment who have a passion for education both of undergraduates and of themselves, as life-long creators and pursuers of knowledge.

The College pursues its mission in five domains:

1. Intellectual and Academic.

The great mission of the College is to instill in students the love, the ways, and the habit of learning.

General education in liberal arts. The academic disciplines are specialized modes of inquiry through which human beings perceive and intellectually engage the world. Both their power and their limits have led the College to make a long-standing commitment to general education. Specialist faculty cause non-specialist students to become critically acquainted with the perspectives and methods of disciplines in three general divisions of learning: the natural sciences, the humanities and the arts, and the social sciences. The College also sustains programs of interdisciplinary study, to reveal complicated realities not disclosed by any single discipline. It requires study outside the perspectives of Europe and the West; and it encourages study abroad to foster students’ international awareness and linguistic mastery.

The major field of study and independent work. Bowdoin places particular emphasis on the academic major, a concentrated engagement with the method and content of an academic discipline, in which advanced students take increasing intellectual responsibility for their own education. The College provides opportunities for honors projects and independent study, enabling students to engage in research and writing under the guidance of faculty mentors. The arrangement of teaching responsibilities of Bowdoin faculty presupposes professional duties not only of original scholarship and creative work but also of supervision of advanced student projects.
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Essential skills. The unevenness of American secondary education, the diversity of student backgrounds and the demands of college-level work and effective citizenship all require that the College enable students to master essential quantitative and writing skills and skills of oral communication, with the guidance of faculty, other professionals, and qualified student peers.

The College believes that technology is not education, but that it is changing both education and society; and that it must be embraced by pedagogy and research and made easily and dependably available to students, faculty, and staff.

2. Social and Residential.

Bowdoin students are selected from a large pool of applicants for their intellectual ability, seriousness of purpose and personal qualities. By design, they differ widely in their backgrounds and talents, be they artistic, athletic, scientific, or otherwise. To enable such students to learn from each other, and to make lasting friendships, the College is dedicated to creating a rewarding and congenial residence life, open to all students, which, with communal dining, is at the core of the mission of a residential college. Bowdoin’s system is based on residence halls linked to restored, medium-sized, self-governing former fraternity houses.

The College devotes the talent of staff and faculty, and of students themselves, to the creation of opportunities for student growth and leadership in these residential contexts, reinforced by many volunteer programs and activities, student-run campus organizations, and opportunities to plan careers.

3. Athletic.

Intercollegiate athletic competition against colleges with shared academic values, and other non-varsity sports, can foster self-control, poise, leadership, good health and good humor. Bowdoin encourages student participation in professionally coached varsity and club programs, as well as intramural sports, and in an outing club program that enables students to explore and test themselves in Maine’s rivers and forests and on its seacoast and islands.

4. Esthetic and Environmental.

The College is dedicated to constructing and preserving buildings and campus spaces of the highest quality, believing that their beauty and serenity shape campus intellectual and esthetic life and inform the sensibilities of students who as graduates will influence the quality of spaces and buildings in their towns, businesses, and homes. A quadrangle of oaks and pines, ringed with historic architecture, and containing two museums with major collections of art and Arctic craft, deepens a Bowdoin student’s sense of place, history and civilization.

As a liberal arts college in Maine, Bowdoin assumes a particular responsibility to use nature as a resource for teaching and engaging students—notably to help them obtain a broad sense of the natural environment, local and global, and the effects and the role of human beings regarding it.

5. Ethical.

Implicit in and explicit to its mission is the College’s commitment to creating a moral environment, free of fear and intimidation, and where differences can flourish. Faculty and students require honesty in academic work. Coaches instruct that fatigue and frustration are no excuse for personal fouls. Deans and proctors set standards of probity and decency and enforce them, with student participation, in College procedures. Yet, recognizing that life will present graduates with ambiguities that call for certainty less than for balance and judgment, Bowdoin makes few decisions for students, academically or socially—perhaps fewer than do
many other residential colleges. It does so believing that students grow morally and sharpen personal identity by exercising free individual choice among varied alternatives, curricular and social. But the College also causes these decisions to occur in a context of density and variety—of ideas, artistic expression, and exposure to other cultures and other races—so that personal identity will not become an illusion of centrality.

Bowdoin College seeks to be a fair, encouraging employer of all those who serve the institution, providing opportunities for professional development, promotion and personal growth, and recognizing the value of each individual’s contribution to its educational mission.

From its history of more than two hundred years and its inheritance of buildings and endowment that are the gifts of Bowdoin alumni there derives a corollary. If the College is to pursue its educational purposes in perpetuity, its mission is also a provident and prudential one. Succeeding generations of members of the College must carry the costs of their own enjoyment of its benefits; as alumni they remain a part of Bowdoin, assuming responsibility for renewing the endowments and buildings that will keep Bowdoin a vital, growing educational force for future generations of students and faculty.

Finally, Bowdoin’s intellectual mission is informed by the humbling and cautionary lesson of the twentieth century: that intellect and cultivation, unless informed by a basic sense of decency, of tolerance and mercy, are ultimately destructive of both the person and society. The purpose of a Bowdoin education—the mission of the College—is therefore to assist a student to deepen and broaden intellectual capacities that are also attributes of maturity and wisdom: self-knowledge, intellectual honesty, clarity of thought, depth of knowledge, an independent capacity to learn, mental courage, self-discipline, tolerance of and interest in differences of culture and belief, and a willingness to serve the common good and subordinate self to higher goals.
Historical Sketch

The idea of Bowdoin College originated in the years following the American Revolution among a group of men who wished to see established in the District of Maine the sort of civil institution that would guarantee republican virtue and social stability. In the biblical language of the day, they wished “to make the desert bloom.”

After six years of arguments over the site, a college was chartered on June 24, 1794, by the General Court in Boston, for Maine was until 1820 a part of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The college was to be built in the small town of Brunswick, as the result of a geographic compromise between strong Portland interests and legislators from the Kennebec Valley and points farther east. It was named for Governor James Bowdoin II, an amateur scientist and hero of the Revolution, well remembered for his role in putting down Shays’ Rebellion. Established by Huguenot merchants, the Bowdoin family fortune was based not only on banking and shipping but on extensive landholdings in Maine. The new college was endowed by the late governor’s son, James Bowdoin III, who was a diplomat, agriculturalist, and art collector, and by the Commonwealth, which supported higher education with grants of land and money, a practice established in the seventeenth century for Harvard and repeated in 1793 for Williams College. Bowdoin’s bicameral Governing Boards, changed in 1996 to a single Board of Trustees, were based on the Harvard model.

Original funding for the College was to come from the sale of tracts of undeveloped lands donated for the purpose by townships and the Commonwealth. Sale of the wilderness lands took longer than expected, however, and Bowdoin College did not open until September 2, 1802. Its first building, Massachusetts Hall, stood on a slight hill overlooking the town. To the south were the road to the landing at Maquoit Bay and blueberry fields stretching toward the Harpswells. To the north was the “Twelve-Rod Road” (Maine Street) leading to the lumber mills and shipyards near the falls of the Androscoggin. To the east the campus was sheltered by a grove of “whispering” white pines, which were to become a symbol of the College. The inauguration of the first president, the Reverend Joseph McKeen, took place in a clearing in that grove. McKeen, a liberal Congregationalist and staunch Federalist, reminded the “friends of piety and learning” in the District that “literary institutions are founded and endowed for the common good, and not the private advantage of those who resort to them for education.” The next day, classes began with eight students in attendance.

For the first half of the nineteenth century, the Bowdoin curriculum was essentially an eighteenth-century one: a great deal of Latin, Greek, mathematics, rhetoric, Scottish Common Sense moral philosophy, and Baconian science, modestly liberalized by the addition of modern languages, English literature, international law, and a little history. Its teaching methods were similarly traditional: the daily recitation and the scientific demonstration. The antebellum College also had several unusual strengths. Thanks to bequests by James Bowdoin III, the College had one of the best libraries in New England and probably the first public collection of old master paintings and drawings in the nation. A lively undergraduate culture centered on two literary-debating societies, the Peucinian (whose name comes from the Greek word for “pine”) and the Athenaeian, both of which had excellent circulating libraries. And there were memorable teachers, notably the internationally known mineralogist Parker Cleaveland, the psychologist (or “mental philosopher,” in the language of his day) Thomas Upham, and the young linguist and translator Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1825).

Finances were a problem, however, especially following the crash of 1837. The College also became involved in various political and religious controversies buffeting the state.
Historical Sketch

Identified with the anti-separationist party, the College faced a hostile Democratic legislature after statehood in 1820 and for financial reasons had to agree to more public control of its governance. For the most part Congregationalists, the College authorities found themselves attacked by liberal Unitarians on the one side and by evangelical “dissenters” on the other (notably by the Baptists, the largest denomination in the new state). The question of whether Bowdoin was public or private was finally settled in 1833 by Justice Joseph Story in Allen v. McKeen, which applied the Dartmouth College case to declare Bowdoin a private corporation beyond the reach of the Legislature. The more difficult matter of religion was settled by the “Declaration” of 1846, which stopped short of officially adopting a denominational tie but promised that Bowdoin would remain Congregational for all practical purposes. One immediate result was a flood of donations, which allowed completion of Richard Upjohn’s Romanesque Revival chapel, a landmark in American ecclesiastical architecture. An ambitious new medical school had been established at Bowdoin by the state in 1820—and was to supply Maine with country doctors until it closed in 1921—but plans in the 1850s to add a law school never found sufficient backing, and Bowdoin did not evolve into the small university that many of its supporters had envisioned.

For a college that never had an antebellum class of more than sixty graduates, Bowdoin produced a notable roster of pre-Civil War alumni. The most enduring fame seems that of Nathaniel Hawthorne (1825), who set his first novel, Fanshawe, at a college very like Bowdoin. Even better known in his day was his classmate Longfellow, who after Tennyson was the most beloved poet in the English-speaking world and whose “Morituri Salutamus,” written for his fiftieth reunion in 1875, is perhaps the finest tribute any poet ever paid to his alma mater. Other writers of note included the satirist Seba Smith (1818), whose “Jack Downing” sketches more or less invented a genre, and Jacob Abbott (1820), author of the many “Rollo” books. But it was in public affairs that Bowdoin graduates took the most laurels: among them, Franklin Pierce (1824), fourteenth president of the United States; William Pitt Fessenden (1823), abolitionist, U.S. senator, cabinet member, and courageous opponent of Andrew Johnson’s impeachment; John A. Andrew (1837), Civil War governor of Massachusetts; Oliver Otis Howard (1850), Civil War general, educator, and head of the Freedmen’s Bureau; Melville Fuller (1853), chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; and Thomas Brackett Reed (1860), the most powerful Speaker in the history of the U.S. House of Representatives. John Brown Russwurm (1826), editor and African colonizationist, was Bowdoin’s first African American graduate and the third African American to graduate from any U.S. college.

The old quip that “the Civil War began and ended in Brunswick, Maine,” has some truth to it. While living here in 1850–51, when Calvin Stowe (1824) was teaching theology, Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote Uncle Tom’s Cabin, some of it in her husband’s study in Appleton Hall. Joshua L. Chamberlain (1852), having left his Bowdoin teaching post in 1862 to lead the 20th Maine, was chosen to receive the Confederate surrender at Appomattox three years later.

The postwar period was a troubled one for Bowdoin. The Maine economy had begun a century-long slump, making it difficult to raise funds or attract students. The new, practical curriculum and lower cost of the University of Maine threatened to undermine Bowdoin admissions. As president, Chamberlain tried to innovate—a short-lived engineering school, a student militia to provide physical training, less classical language and more science, even a hint of coeducation—but the forces of inertia on the Boards were too great, and a student “rebellion” against the military drill in 1874 suggested that it would take more than even a Civil War hero to change the College.
But change did arrive in 1885, in the form of William DeWitt Hyde, a brisk young man who preached an idealistic philosophy, a sort of muscular Christianity, and who had a Teddy Roosevelt-like enthusiasm for life. By the College’s centennial in 1894, Hyde had rejuvenated the faculty, turned the “yard” into a quad (notably by the addition of McKim, Mead and White’s Walker Art Building), and discovered how to persuade alumni to give money. Where Bowdoin had once prepared young men for the public forum, Hyde’s college taught them what they needed to succeed in the new world of the business corporation. Much of this socialization took place in well-appointed fraternity houses; Bowdoin had had “secret societies” as far back as the 1840s, but it was not until the 1890s that they took over much of the responsibility for the residential life of the College. In the world of large research universities, Hyde—a prolific writer in national journals—proved that there was still a place for the small, pastoral New England college.

Kenneth C. M. Sills, casting himself as the caretaker of Hyde’s vision, shepherded the College through two World Wars and the Great Depression. Among his major accomplishments were bringing the athletic program into the fold of the College and out of the direct control of alumni, gradually making Bowdoin more of a national institution, and cementing the fierce loyalty of a generation of graduates. His successor, James S. Coles, played the role of modernizer: new life was given the sciences, professional standards for faculty were redefined, and the innovative “Senior Center” program was put in operation in the new high-rise dorm later named Coles Tower. Coles was succeeded in 1967 by Acting President and Professor of Government Athern P. Daggett, a member of the Class of 1925.

In 1969, Roger Howell Jr. ’58 was inaugurated at the age of thirty-three. The youngest college president in the country, and a highly respected scholar in the field of seventeenth-century British history, Howell ushered in an era of rapid change. The turmoil of the Vietnam era was reflected in the student strike of 1970 and in early debate about the fraternity system. The decision in 1970 to make standardized tests optional for purposes of admission, the arrival of coeducation in 1971, an eventual increase in the size of the College to 1,400 students, and a concerted effort to recruit students in the arts and students of color, all significantly altered the composition of the student body and began an impetus for curricular change that continued through the 1980s under the leadership of President A. LeRoy Greason.

During the Greason presidency, the College undertook to reform the curriculum, expand the arts program, encourage environmental study, diversify the faculty, and make the College more fully coeducational. By 1990, Bowdoin was nationally regarded as a small, highly selective liberal arts college with an enviable location in coastal Maine and a strong teaching faculty willing to give close personal attention to undergraduates. The College continued to prove that it could innovate—for example, through pace-setting programs to use computers to teach classics and calculus, through access to live foreign television to teach languages, through student-constructed independent study projects and “years abroad,” and through the microscale organic chemistry curriculum.

President Robert H. Edwards came to Bowdoin in 1990. He reorganized the College administration, strengthened budgetary planning and controls, and developed processes for the discussion and resolution of key issues. In 1993–94, he presided over the College’s celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of its founding. A capital campaign, concluded in 1998, brought in $135 million in additional endowment for faculty positions and scholarships, and funds for an ambitious building program that has included the transformation of the former Hyde Cage into the David Saul Smith Union; construction or renovation of facilities for the sciences, including a new interdisciplinary science center, Druckenmiller Hall, renovation of Cleaveland Hall and Searles Hall, and construction of terrestrial and marine laboratories at
the College’s new Coastal Studies Center on Orr’s Island; expanded facilities for the arts in
and adjacent to Memorial Hall; and restoration of and improvements to the Chapel. Two new
residence halls, Stowe and Howard halls, were completed in 1996, and another, Chamberlain
Hall, opened in the fall of 1999. In addition, expanded dining facilities in Wentworth Hall
were completed in 2000 and the hall was renamed Thorne Hall.

In 1996–97, the Board of Trustees established a Commission on Residential Life to review
all aspects of residential life. The commission recommended, and the trustees unanimously
approved, a new conception of residential life for Bowdoin based on a model of broad
House membership that includes all students. The new system also replaced the system of
residential fraternities, which were phased out in May 2000. During the Edwards presidency,
the enrollment of the College was expanded from 1,385 to approximately 1,600 students,
and the College’s endowment grew from $175 million to approximately $500 million. In
addition, the student-faculty ratio was reduced from 11:1 to 10:1.

Bowdoin’s two hundredth academic year began with the inauguration of Barry Mills ’72 as
the fourteenth president of the College. During his tenure as president, Mills has underscored
the primacy of Bowdoin’s academic program and has worked with the faculty to redefine a
liberal arts education for the twenty-first century. Together with former Dean for Academic
Affairs Craig McEwen, Mills led the first major curriculum reform at Bowdoin since the
early 1980s. The College has also successfully recommitted itself to the goal of expanding
ethnic, religious, and socioeconomic diversity among students and employees. Mills has
worked to increase national visibility for Bowdoin and also initiated a comprehensive campus
master planning study to guide future development on the campus. Mills has also worked
to strengthen and increase support for the arts at the College, completing a major expansion
and renovation of the Bowdoin College Museum of Art and a conversion of the Curtis Pool
building into the Studzinski Recital Hall and 280-seat Kanbar Auditorium. Student residential
life has also been improved through the construction of new residence halls and the renovation
of existing residential facilities; a new center for fitness, health, and wellness (to open in
August 2009); and the new Watson Arena (to open in January 2009). In October 2006,
Mills announced “The Bowdoin Campaign,” an effort to raise $250 million by June 2009 to
enhance Bowdoin’s academic program by adding faculty and by focusing resources on the
faculty/student experience, faculty scholarship, and the intellectual life of the College. Mills
has made improved access to Bowdoin a campaign priority by devoting nearly one-third
of the funds raised to student financial aid. In January 2008, he announced that Bowdoin
would replace student loans with grants for all students beginning in September 2008. Mills
has also emphasized sustainability efforts at the College through the construction of “green”
facilities and other conservation and sustainability efforts.

PRESIDENTS OF BOWDOIN COLLEGE

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Admission to the College

In May 1989, the Governing Boards of Bowdoin College approved the following statement on admissions:

Bowdoin College is, first and foremost, an academic institution. Hence academic accomplishments and talents are given the greatest weight in the admissions process. While accomplishments beyond academic achievements are considered in admissions decisions, these are not emphasized to the exclusion of those applicants who will make a contribution to Bowdoin primarily in the academic life of the College. In particular, applicants with superior academic records or achievements are admitted regardless of their other accomplishments. All Bowdoin students must be genuinely committed to the pursuit of a liberal arts education, and therefore all successful applicants must demonstrate that they can and will engage the curriculum seriously and successfully.

At the same time that it is an academic institution, Bowdoin is also a residential community. To enhance the educational scope and stimulation of that community, special consideration in the admissions process is given to applicants who represent a culture, region, or background that will contribute to the diversity of the College. To ensure that the College community thrives, special consideration in the admissions process is also given to applicants who have demonstrated talents in leadership, in communication, in social service, and in other fields of endeavor that will contribute to campus life and to the common good thereafter. And to support the extracurricular activities that constitute an important component of the overall program at Bowdoin, and that enrich the life of the campus community, special consideration in the admissions process is also given to applicants with talents in the arts, in athletics, and in other areas in which the College has programs. The goal is a student body that shares the common characteristic of intellectual commitment but within which there is a considerable range of backgrounds, interests, and talents.

Although Bowdoin does not require that a student seeking admission take a prescribed number of courses, the typical entering first-year student will have had four years each of English, foreign language, mathematics, and social science, and three to four years of laboratory sciences. Further, most will have taken courses in the arts, music, and computer science. We strongly recommend that students have keyboard training.

Candidates applying to Bowdoin College are evaluated by members of the admissions staff in terms of the following factors: academic record, the level of challenge represented in the candidate’s course work, counselor/teacher recommendations, application and essays, overall academic potential, school and community involvement, leadership, and personal qualities.

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Students may apply to Bowdoin through the regular admissions program or through either of two early decision programs. The application deadline for Early Decision Option I is November 15. The deadline for Early Decision Option II and regular admission is January 1. Application materials for all programs are the same, except that early decision applicants must also complete the Early Decision Agreement that is included with the application materials.
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The Common Application includes the Personal Application, with the School Report and two Teacher Evaluation forms. The Bowdoin Supplement includes a supplementary essay, a Mid-Year School Report, optional Arts and Athletics supplements, and the Early Decision form, if applicable. Those who wish to be considered for financial aid must file the College Scholarship Service PROFILE online or the appropriate International Aid form. Applicants for admission must also submit the $60 application fee or an application fee waiver.

Regular Admission

The following items constitute a completed admissions folder:

1. The Common Application, essays, and required supplementary materials submitted with the application fee ($60). The postmark deadline for regular applications is January 1. In addition to the personal essay required as part of the Common Application, Bowdoin requires that candidates submit a supplementary essay as part of the Bowdoin Supplement, which can be downloaded from the Bowdoin Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/admissions/.

2. School Report: The college advisor’s estimate of the candidate’s character and accomplishments and a copy of the secondary school transcript should be returned to Bowdoin no later than January 1. A transcript of grades through the midyear marking period (Mid-Year School Report) should be returned to Bowdoin by February 15.

3. Recommendations: Each candidate is required to submit two teacher recommendations, which should be completed by two core academic subject teachers and returned as soon as possible and no later than January 1. Core academic subjects are English, foreign language, mathematics, science, and social studies.

4. College Entrance Examination Board or American College Testing Scores: Bowdoin allows each applicant to decide if his or her standardized test results should be considered as part of the application. In recent years, approximately 15 percent of Bowdoin’s accepted applicants decided not to submit standardized test results. The candidate is responsible for making arrangements to take the College Board examinations and for ensuring that Bowdoin receives the scores if he or she wants them to be considered as part of the application. Students should also arrange for an official report of the scores to be sent by the testing agency. Students choosing to submit their SAT I (Reasoning Test) and SAT II (Subject Test) or ACT scores should complete all examinations no later than January of the senior year. Students who choose not to have their standardized test scores considered by Bowdoin must notify the Admissions Office in writing no later than the appropriate application deadline. It is the candidate’s responsibility to advise his/her college counselor if scores are to be excluded from the official secondary school transcript.

Note: Because standardized test results are used for academic counseling and placement, all entering first-year students are required to submit scores over the summer prior to enrolling.

5. Visit and Interview: A personal interview is strongly encouraged. Interviews are available with a member of the admissions staff or a senior interviewer on campus. In addition, members of the Bowdoin Alumni Schools and Interviewing Committee (BASIC) are available in most parts of the country to provide interviews on a local basis. (For further information on BASIC, see page 303.) A number of carefully selected and trained Bowdoin senior interviewers conduct interviews to supplement regular staff appointments during the summer months and from September into December. On-campus interviews are available from the third week in May through early December.

6. Notification: All candidates will receive a final decision on their application for admission by the end of March. A commitment to enroll is not required of any first-year
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candidate (except those applying for Early Decision) until the Candidates’ Common Reply date of May 1. To accept an offer of admission from Bowdoin, a student must submit a $300 admissions deposit, which is credited to the first semester’s bill.

7. Candidates requiring an application fee waiver may request the standard College Board form from their guidance counselor or have the counselor write to request a fee waiver, explaining the extent to which the fee would represent an excessive burden for the candidate’s family.

Early Decision

Bowdoin offers admission through two Early Decision programs in addition to the Regular admission round. Candidates who are certain that Bowdoin is their first choice may wish to consider this option. The guidelines for Early Decision are as follows:

1. Candidates’ application files must include the Early Decision supplement form, indicating that they wish to be considered for Early Decision and that they will enroll if admitted. Early Decision candidates may file regular or non-binding early applications at other colleges, but only with the understanding that these will be withdrawn and no new applications will be initiated if they are accepted under an Early Decision plan.

2. The Common Application, Bowdoin Supplement, and essays, accompanied by the Early Decision supplement, a School Report Form, a secondary school transcript of grades, two teacher recommendations, and the application fee of $60 (or fee-waiver form) must be submitted to Bowdoin by November 15 for Early Decision I (notification by mid-December), or by January 1 for Early Decision II (notification by mid-February).

3. Candidates admitted via Early Decision who have financial need as established by the guidelines of the College Scholarship Service’s PROFILE will be notified of the amount of their award along with their Early Decision acceptance, provided their financial aid forms are on file at Bowdoin by the application deadlines.

4. Submit College Entrance Examination Board or American College Testing scores if the candidate so desires.

5. An Early Decision acceptance is contingent upon completion of the senior year in good academic and social standing.

6. There are three possible admission decisions for Early Decision I candidates: admission to Bowdoin, deferral for consideration in March, and denial of admission. In addition, Early Decision candidates may be placed on the waiting list for possible admission in May or June. Each year a number of applicants who are deferred under Early Decision are accepted in March, when decisions on all regular admissions are mailed. In addition, Early Decision candidates may be denied admission if the Admissions Committee concludes that their credentials will not be competitive for further consideration in the Regular admission round.

7. Responsibility for understanding and complying with the rules for Early Decision rests with the candidate. Should an Early Decision candidate violate the provisions of the program, the College may rescind any offer of admission and financial aid.

Deferred Admission

Admitted students who wish to delay their matriculation to the College for one year must request a deferred enrollment from the dean of admissions by June 1, explaining the reasons for delaying matriculation. Bowdoin will hold a place in the next entering class for any student who is granted a deferment. The student, in return, must agree to withdraw all applications at
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other colleges or universities and may not apply for admission to other institutions during the deferral year. A $300 nonrefundable admissions deposit must accompany the deferral request. Financial aid candidates must reapply for aid during the year following the deferral.

Admission with Advanced Standing

Bowdoin recognizes College Entrance Examination Board Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate results and may grant advanced placement and credit toward graduation for superior performance in those programs. Applicants to Bowdoin are encouraged to have AP and IB test results sent to the Admissions Office.

Decisions on both placement and credit are made by the appropriate academic department in each subject area. Some departments offer placement examinations during the orientation period to assist them in making appropriate determinations. Every effort is made to place students in the most advanced courses for which they are qualified, regardless of whether they have taken AP or IB examinations before matriculation. Determinations of advanced placement and credit are made during the student’s first year at Bowdoin. Credit and placement policies for AP and IB examinations may be found on the Bowdoin Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/admissions/.

Some students have the opportunity to enroll in college-level course work prior to graduation. Bowdoin College will consider granting credit for pre-college course work, providing the following criteria have been met: the course work must have been completed on a college campus, must have been completed in a class with matriculated college students, may not have been used to satisfy any high school graduation requirements, and must represent a standard of achievement comparable to what is expected at Bowdoin in a field of study characteristic of the liberal arts.

First-year students may apply a maximum of eight course credits toward the degree from the Advanced Placement program, the International Baccalaureate program, or pre-college course work.

Home-Schooled Applicants

Home-schooled applicants and candidates applying from secondary schools that provide written evaluations rather than grades are required to submit SAT I (Reasoning Test) and two or more SAT II (Subject Test) test results or ACT test results. SAT Subject Tests should include Math IC or Math IIC and a science. In addition, home-schooled candidates must submit the Home-School Supplement, which can be found on Bowdoin’s Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/admissions/. A personal interview is also strongly recommended.

International Students

The Admissions Committee welcomes the perspective that international students bring to the Bowdoin community. In 2007–2008, approximately 600 international students, including U.S. citizens who attended schools abroad, applied for admission to Bowdoin.

Admissions policies and procedures for international students are the same as for regular first-year applicants, with the following exceptions:

1. In addition to the admission forms required of all candidates, students whose secondary school education has followed neither the standard U.S. format nor the International Baccalaureate, must submit the International Student Supplement, which is available from the Admissions Office or from the Bowdoin College Web site.

2. Students whose primary language of instruction is not English must submit official results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) by the appropriate deadlines. If necessary, students may substitute results from the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) for the TOEFL.
3. All international students who submit the College Scholarship Service Foreign Student Financial Aid Form or the Bowdoin International Financial Aid Form or Canadian students who submit the Canadian Financial Aid Form (both available on the Bowdoin Web site) when they file the application for admission will be considered for Bowdoin funds to defray part of their college costs. Bowdoin has limited scholarship funds for students who are not U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents and eligible candidates are evaluated under a need-aware admissions policy. These scholarships often cover the full cost of tuition, fees, and room and board. The competition for these financial aid packages is intense. **Candidates who do not apply for financial aid during the admissions process should not expect funding at any time in their course of study at Bowdoin College.**

**Transfer Students**

Each year, a limited number of students from other colleges and universities will be admitted to sophomore or junior standing at Bowdoin. The following information pertains to transfer candidates:

1. **Citizens of the United States** should file the Transfer Common Application and essay (a brief statement indicating the reasons for transferring to Bowdoin), and the Transfer Student Supplement (available from the Admissions Office or Bowdoin’s Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/admissions/) with the $60 application fee by March 1 for fall admission. **International students** must file the application by March 1 for fall admission and include the Transfer Student Supplement, the International Supplement, and the application fee. Applicants must arrange to have submitted by the same deadlines transcripts of their college and secondary school records, a statement from a dean or advisor at their university or college, and at least two recommendations from current or recent professors. Interviews are strongly recommended but not required. As soon as it becomes available, an updated transcript including spring semester grades should also be sent. Candidates whose applications are complete will normally be notified of Bowdoin’s decision in early May.

2. Transfer candidates usually present academic records of “B+” work or better in a course of study that approximates the work that would have been done at Bowdoin, had they entered as first-year students. Bowdoin accepts transfer credit for liberal arts courses in which a grade of C– or higher has been received. Transfer students should understand that although they may expect an estimate regarding class standing upon transferring, official placement is possible only after updated transcripts have arrived at the registrar’s office and have been appraised by the appropriate dean and academic departments.

3. Although two years of residence are required for a Bowdoin degree, students who have completed more than four semesters of college work are welcome to apply for admission, with this understanding. Students who have already received their bachelor’s degree are ineligible for first-year or transfer admission.

4. The financial aid funds available for transfer students may be limited by commitments the College has already made to enrolled students and incoming first-year students. **U.S. applicants** for aid must submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the College Scholarship Service’s PROFILE by March 1. **International applicants** for aid must file either the College Scholarship Service Foreign Student Financial Aid Form or the Bowdoin International Financial Aid Form (available on the Bowdoin Web site) by March 1. **Canadian applicants** must submit the Canadian Financial Aid Form (available on the Bowdoin Web site).
Special Students
Each semester, as space within the College and openings within courses permit, Bowdoin admits a few special or visiting students who are not seeking a degree from Bowdoin. In general, this program is intended to serve the special educational needs of residents in the Brunswick area who have not yet completed a bachelor’s degree, as well as students who are pursuing a degree elsewhere and who, for truly exceptional reasons, wish to take a course at Bowdoin. Teachers wishing to upgrade their skills or Bowdoin graduates who need particular courses to qualify for graduate programs are also considered for this program. Special students are billed at a per course rate for up to two courses per term. No more than two credits may be taken each semester. No financial aid is available for special students. Interested applicants should submit the completed special student form and enclose the $60 application fee at least one month prior to the beginning of the semester. A personal interview is required. Inquiries should be addressed to the Special Student Coordinator in the Admissions Office.

Summary of Application Deadlines
Application materials for admission include the completed Common Application, Bowdoin Supplement, and supplementary essay. New applicants should submit these materials in accord with the following deadlines:

Early Decision I
November 15: Common Application, Bowdoin Supplement, and supplementary essay

Early Decision II
January 1: Common Application, Bowdoin Supplement, and supplementary essay

Regular Admission
January 1: Common Application, Bowdoin Supplement, and supplementary essay

International Applicants
Must submit materials according to the deadlines above: Common Application and supplementary essay, International Student Supplement, Transfer Supplement if applicable, TOEFL Report

Transfer Applicants
Fall: March 1: Common Application and supplementary essay, Transfer Supplement

All correspondence concerning first-year and transfer admission to the College should be addressed to the Office of Admissions, Bowdoin College, 5000 College Station, Brunswick, ME 04011; Tel. 207–725–3100, Fax: 207–725-3101.
Financial Aid

Bowdoin College’s financial aid policy is designed to supplement family resources so that as many students as possible can attend the College. Scholarship grants, loans, and student employment are the principal sources of aid for Bowdoin students who need help in meeting the expenses of their education.

Because Bowdoin believes that students who receive financial aid as grants should also be responsible for a portion of their expenses, student employment will generally be part of the financial aid award. Beginning in the 2008–2009 academic year, the College will replace the loan offer with additional grant funds. While loans will be available to supplement other resources, they will not be included in a typical financial aid package. On-time submission of the required application forms guarantees that the student will be considered for all the financial aid available to Bowdoin students, including grants, loans, and jobs from any source under Bowdoin’s control.

Need-Based Aid

Bowdoin’s policy is to meet a student’s full, calculated financial need for each year in which he or she qualifies for aid, as long as funds are available. Financial need is the difference between Bowdoin’s costs and family resources. Resources consist of parental income and assets, student assets, student earnings, and other resources, such as gifts, non-College scholarships, and veterans’ benefits.

The College customarily budgets enough aid resources to meet the full calculated need of all enrolling students without using financial need as a criterion in the admission process. Because spending history is Bowdoin’s only guide, there is no guarantee that budgeted funds will ultimately be sufficient to make all admission decisions without regard to financial need. However, for the past decade, financial need has not been a criterion in the selection of candidates for admission, with the exception of students offered admission from the waiting list, transfer candidates, and non-U.S. citizens.

Bowdoin’s Financial Aid Resources

Approximately 65 percent of Bowdoin’s grant budget comes from endowed funds given by alumni and friends of the College. In 2007–2008, from funds it administers, Bowdoin distributed a total of about $22,310,900 in need-based grants, loans, and earnings. Grants from all sources totaled about $18,982,000 in 2007–2008 and were made to approximately 40 percent of the student body. In the Class of 2012, approximately 41 percent of the entering class of 494 students was awarded need-based grants. The average award of grant and job was $34,350.

Information on the availability of scholarship and loan funds may be obtained through the College’s Student Aid Office. Questions regarding endowed funds and the establishment of such funds should be directed to the Office of Development.
Eligibility for Aid
Approximately 40 percent of Bowdoin students qualify for grant aid on the basis of need and eligibility. To be eligible for grant aid at Bowdoin College, a student must:

1. Be a degree candidate who is enrolled or is accepted for enrollment on at least a half-time basis; and

2. Demonstrate a financial need, which is determined, in general, on the basis of College Scholarship Service practices.

In addition, to qualify for any of the programs subsidized by the federal government, a student must be a citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States or the Trust territory of the Pacific Islands.

A student is normally eligible for Bowdoin aid for a maximum of eight semesters. The College’s Financial Aid Committee may, at its discretion, award a ninth semester of aid.

Determination of Need
Financial need is the difference between Bowdoin’s costs and family resources. Bowdoin determines a student’s financial aid award from information submitted on the CSS Profile, federal FAFSA, and federal income tax returns (see Aid Application, pages 17–18).

Both parents or legal guardians are responsible for the student’s educational expenses, according to their financial ability to contribute. Divorce or separation of the natural parents does not absolve either parent from this obligation.

Student-owned assets are expected to be available for college expenses in the years leading to graduation. From 80 to 100 percent of those student savings are prorated over the undergraduate career in the College’s initial need calculation.

The College expects students to earn money during summer vacation and/or from academic-year campus employment. The amount will vary depending upon the student’s year in college.

The sum of these resources when subtracted from Bowdoin’s cost determines the student’s need and Bowdoin’s financial aid award.

TYPES OF AID AWARDS

First-Year Student Awards
About 200 entering students each year are offered prematriculation awards to help them meet the expenses of their first year. Recently these awards have ranged from $1,600 to $49,000. Candidates are normally notified of a prematriculation award when they are informed of the decision on their applications for admission.

Upperclass Awards
All continuing students who wish to be considered for aid must register as aid candidates with the Office of Student Aid by the published deadlines each year. Grant awards change each year as a function of changes in costs, total family income, net worth including home and business equity, family size, and number of children attending undergraduate college on a full-time basis. For a more complete description of Bowdoin’s financial aid program, see Financial Aid at Bowdoin, available on the Student Aid Web site (www.bowdoin.edu/admissions/studentaid).
Financial Aid

Bowdoin National Merit Scholars
Bowdoin National Merit Scholars who demonstrate financial need each year at Bowdoin receive a renewable $2,000 award. A scholar’s remaining need is met with Bowdoin grant, a modest level of campus employment, and no student loan. Winners of these awards who do not demonstrate financial need at Bowdoin receive a $1,000 recognition award, renewable each year.

National Achievement Finalists who enroll will receive the same grants and loan-free packages offered to National Merit Scholars.

Student Loans
While loans are no longer part of a standard financial aid offer, most students may borrow to supplement other resources and defray family contributions to educational costs. Perkins loan, Stafford loan, or Bowdoin Student Loan money are typically available. Bowdoin determines which student loan source best meets a student’s needs. It is advantageous for those who borrow to take loan money to do so from the same fund each year. Interest rates on student loans are low and monthly payments are deferred until after graduation.

With the exception of Stafford loans, no special loan application is needed. Students sign a master promissory note before September 1 of their first year. As long as eligibility continues, students receive advances against this promissory note each semester.

Student Employment
A student who receives aid is expected to meet part of the educational expense from summer employment and from campus earnings. These earning expectations are included in the financial aid award. The student may choose to work or not; this decision has no effect on the grant offer.

Bowdoin’s student employment program offers a wide variety of opportunities to undergraduates, including direct employment at Bowdoin and by outside agencies represented on the campus or located in the community. Employment opportunities are open to all students who are interested and able to work. Commitments for employment are made to first-year students at the opening of College in the fall. There are over 1,000 campus jobs available in College departments and offices. The annual student payroll currently stands at about $1,700,000.

To learn more about student employment, see www.bowdoin.edu/seo.

Foreign Student Awards
Bowdoin has a limited number of financial aid awards dedicated to foreign students. To be considered for these awards, the student must file the College Scholarship Service’s Foreign Student Financial Aid Application or the International Financial Aid Form that is available on the Bowdoin Web site. Non-U.S. citizens who do not apply at the time of admission should not expect financial aid during any of their years at Bowdoin. Canadian citizens should submit the Canadian Financial Aid Form available on the Bowdoin Web site.
Federal Financial Aid Programs Available at Bowdoin

The College participates in the Federal Work-Study Program established under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, the Federal Supplementary Educational Opportunity Grants Program established under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and the Federal Pell Grant Program established under the Higher Education Amendments of 1972, along with the Federal Perkins and Federal Stafford Loan programs previously mentioned. The College also works closely with several states that can provide handicapped students and those receiving other forms of state aid with financial assistance to help with their educational expenses.

Veterans Benefits

The degree programs of Bowdoin College are approved by the Maine State Approving Agency for Veterans Education Programs for persons eligible for benefits (GI Bill) from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Students who request veterans’ educational assistance are required to have all previous post-secondary experience evaluated for possible transfer credit in order to be eligible for benefits. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid.

Graduate Scholarships

Bowdoin is able to offer a number of scholarships for postgraduate study at other institutions. Grants of various amounts are available to Bowdoin graduates who continue their studies in the liberal arts and sciences and in certain professional schools. In 2007–2008, Bowdoin provided $366,000 in graduate scholarship assistance to 82 students. Further information about these scholarships is available through the Student Aid Office and on the Bowdoin Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/studentaid/enrolled.shtml.

AID APPLICATION AND DEADLINES

Students who wish to be considered for financial aid must submit an application each year. All candidates for aid who are United States citizens must submit the College Scholarship Service PROFILE form by the date specified. U.S. citizens must also file the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

International candidates must file the College Scholarship Service’s (CSS) Foreign Student Financial Aid Application or the Bowdoin International Financial Aid Form, available on the Bowdoin Web site, concurrently with their application for admission. Canadian applicants must file the Canadian Financial Aid Form, also available on the Bowdoin Web site.

Whether or not a student receives financial aid from Bowdoin, long-term, low-interest loans under the Federal Stafford Loan program are available. Such loans are generally provided by private lenders and require both a FAFSA and a separate loan application.

When parents and students sign the FAFSA and the PROFILE, they agree to provide a certified or notarized copy of their latest federal or state income tax return, plus any other documentation that may be required. To verify or clarify information on the aid application, it is a common practice for the College to ask for a copy of the federal tax return (Form 1040, 1040EZ or 1040A) and W-2 forms each year. The College’s financial aid officers will not take action on any aid application until sufficient documentation has been submitted.
Application Deadlines
To be considered for financial aid, applicants should submit their complete application for admission and all required aid application forms by the appropriate deadlines. More information is provided on the Bowdoin Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/admissions/studentaid. See Admissions, page 13, re application deadlines for admission. Deadlines for financial aid forms as are follows:

Applicants with U.S. Citizenship:

   Early Decision I:
      November 15: CSS Profile and most recent federal tax returns
      April 15: FAFSA
   Early Decision II:
      January 1: CSS Profile and most recent federal tax returns
      April 15: FAFSA
   Regular Admission:
      February 15: CSS Profile, FAFSA, and most recent federal tax returns

International Applicants:

   Non-U.S. citizens must submit the International Financial Aid Form by November 15 for Early Decision I applicants, or by January 1 for all other applicants. Canadian students should file the Canadian Financial Aid Form, available on the Bowdoin Web site, and Canadian tax returns instead of the Foreign Student Financial Aid Form.

Transfer Students:

   March 1: CSS Profile, FAFSA, and most recent federal tax returns

Returning Students:

   April 15: CSS Profile, FAFSA, and most recent federal tax returns

Further information about application procedures, eligibility, need calculation and awards, plus descriptions of individual federal, state, and College programs is contained in the Financial Aid Guide available online at http://www.bowdoin.edu/studentaid, and upon request. Questions about Bowdoin's aid programs may be addressed to Director of Student Aid, Bowdoin College, 5300 College Station, Brunswick, ME 04011-8444; Tel. 207–725–3273; Fax: 207–725–3864.
Expenses

COLLEGE CHARGES

Fees for the 2008–2009 academic year are listed below. Travel, books, and personal expenses are not included; the student must budget for such items on his/her own. For planning purposes, students and parents should anticipate that tuition and other charges will increase each year to reflect program changes and other cost increases experienced by the College.

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Health Insurance (See Healthcare section, page 21.)

* Required fees for all students.
** Applicable only to students in College housing.

Off-Campus Study Fee

The College assesses a fee for participation in off-campus study programs for which Bowdoin degree credit is desired. The fee for 2008–2009 is $1,000 per program. The fee is waived for students attending the ISLE Program in Sri Lanka.

Registration and Enrollment

All continuing students are required to register for courses during registration week of the prior semester in accordance with the schedules posted at the College. Any student who initially registers after the first week of classes must pay a $20 late fee. All students are further required to submit an Enrollment Form by the end of the first week of classes. While registration places students in courses, the Enrollment Form serves to notify the College that the student is on campus and attending classes. A fee of $20 is assessed for late submission of the Enrollment Form.
Expenses

Refunds
Students leaving the College during the course of a semester are refunded tuition and fees based on the following schedule:

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After adjustments for fixed commitments and applicable overhead expense, refunds for room and board are prorated on a daily basis in accordance with the student’s attendance based on the College’s calendar. Students who are dismissed from the College within the first five weeks for other than academic or medical reasons are not entitled to refunds. Financial aid awards will be credited in proportion to educational expenses, as stipulated in a student’s award letter, but in no case will they exceed total charges to be collected. Title IV funds will be refunded in accordance with federal regulations. Refunds will be made within thirty days of the student’s departure.

Financial Aid
There are opportunities at Bowdoin to receive financial aid in meeting the charge for tuition. Detailed information about scholarships and other financial aid may be found on pages 14–18.

Room and Board
First-year students and sophomores are guaranteed housing and are required to live on campus. Entering first-year students may indicate their residence needs on a preference card issued by the Residential Life Office during the summer preceding their arrival at Bowdoin. The Director of Residential Life coordinates housing accommodations for the remaining classes through a lottery system.

Residence hall suites consist of a study and bedroom, provided with essential furniture. Students should furnish blankets and pillows; linen and laundry services are available at moderate cost. College property is not to be removed from the building or from the room in which it belongs; occupants are held responsible for any damage to their rooms or furnishings.

Board charges are the same regardless of whether a student eats at the Moulton Union or Thorne Hall. Students who live in Bowdoin facilities, except apartments and a few other student residences, are required to take a 19-meal, 14-meal, or 10-meal residential board plan. First-year students are required to take the 19-meal plan for their entire first year on campus. Students living in College apartments or off campus may purchase a 9-meal or declining balance board plan or one of the residential plans, if they choose.

Other College Charges
All damage to the buildings or other property of the College by persons unknown may be assessed equally on all residents of the building in which the damage occurred. The Student Activities Fee is set by the student government, and its expenditure is allocated by the Student Activities Fee Committee.
Healthcare

The facilities of the Dudley Coe Health Center and the Counseling Service are available to all students. All students must maintain health insurance coverage while enrolled at Bowdoin. The College offers its own policy for those students who do not carry comparable insurance. The College’s policy provides year-round coverage, whether a student is enrolled at Bowdoin or in an approved off-campus study program. The basic, full-year accident and sickness insurance plan costs $1,050. The cost for the extended plan is $1,398.

A pamphlet specifying the coverage provided by the student health policy is available from the Health Center and will be mailed in the summer preceding the policy year. Any costs not covered by the insurance will be charged to the student’s account.

Motor Vehicles

All motor vehicles, including motorcycles and motor scooters, used on campus or owned and/or operated by residents of any College-owned residence must be registered with the Office of Safety and Security. The registration decals cost $40 and are valid for the academic year in which they are purchased. Vehicles must be reregistered each academic year. Students wishing to register a vehicle for a period of time less than one semester must make special arrangements with the Office of Safety and Security. All students maintaining motor vehicles at the College are required to carry adequate liability insurance. The College assumes no responsibility for the security of or damage to vehicles parked on campus. Parking on campus is limited and students will be assigned parking space based on availability. Comprehensive information regarding motor vehicles and campus parking is available at www.bowdoin.edu/security/parkingandpermits/index.shtml and in the Bowdoin College Student Handbook online.

PAYMENT OF COLLEGE BILLS

By registering for courses, a student incurs a legal obligation to pay tuition and fees. This debt may be canceled only if a student officially withdraws from the College before the start of classes. Students’ accounts must be current for semester enrollment and course registration to occur. After the first week of classes, students who have not enrolled for any reason are dropped from courses. A student’s access to his/her residence hall, meal plan, and the library is deactivated at that time. The student is placed on an involuntary leave of absence for the semester (see Academic Standards and Regulations, pages 36–39). Degrees, diplomas, and transcripts are not available to students with overdue accounts.

Bills for tuition, board, room rent, and fees for the fall and spring semesters are sent in July and December, respectively. Payment for each semester is due 30 days from the billing date. Bills are sent to the student unless the Bursar is requested in writing to direct them to someone other than the student.

Payment may be made by the semester due date, by installment payment plan over the course of the semester, or by combining the two options. Bowdoin does not have its own in-house payment plan. Students may choose from three outside installment payment plan agencies offered. The plans offered are through SallieMae’s TuitionPay and Tuition Management Systems (TMS). Credit cards are not accepted by Bowdoin College in payment of college charges.
A Liberal Education at Bowdoin College

In 1906, Bowdoin’s president, William DeWitt Hyde, wrote “The Offer of the College”:

To be at home in all lands and all ages; to count Nature a familiar acquaintance, and Art an intimate friend; to gain a standard for the appreciation of others’ work and the criticism of your own; to carry the keys of the world’s library in your pocket, and feel its resources behind you in whatever task you undertake; to make hosts of friends...who are to be leaders in all walks of life; to lose yourself in generous enthusiasms and cooperate with others for common ends—this is the offer of the college.

This offer spelled out a vision of the aspirations of a liberal education appropriate to the early twentieth century. Many elements of it still have currency one hundred years later. At the beginning of the twenty-first century, a vastly changed College in a dramatically altered world provides a related but expanded offer—of intellectual challenge and personal growth in the context of an active and engaged learning community closely linked to the social and natural worlds.

A liberal education cultivates the mind and the imagination; encourages seeking after truth, meaning, and beauty; awakens an appreciation of past traditions and present challenges; fosters joy in learning and sharing that learning with others; supports taking the intellectual risks required to explore the unknown, test new ideas, and enter into constructive debate; and builds the foundation for making principled judgments. It hones the capacity for critical and open intellectual inquiry—the interest in asking questions, challenging assumptions, seeking answers, and reaching conclusions supported by logic and evidence. A liberal education rests fundamentally on the free exchange of ideas—on conversation and questioning—that thrives in classrooms, lecture halls, laboratories, studios, dining halls, playing fields, and residence halls. Ultimately, a liberal education promotes independent thinking, individual action, and social responsibility.

Since its opening in 1802, Bowdoin has understood the obligation to direct liberal education toward the common good. In the twenty-first century, that obligation is stronger than ever. The challenge of defining a “common good” and acting on it is highlighted, however, in an interconnected world of widely varied cultures, interests, resources, and power. To prepare students for this complexity, a liberal education must teach about differences across cultures and within societies. At the same time, it should help students understand and respect the values and implications of a shared natural world and human heritage. By doing so, a liberal education will challenge students to appreciate and contend with diversity and the conflicts inherent in differing experiences, perspectives, and values at the same time that they find ways to contribute to the common project of living together in the world.

Although a liberal education is not narrowly vocational, it provides the broadest grounding for finding a vocation by preparing students to be engaged, adaptable, independent, and capable citizens.
A student in a residential liberal arts college is removed from many of the immediate responsibilities of daily adult life, making the four years of education extraordinarily privileged ones. Such an education, however, must engage that world — both contemporary and historical, both local and global. This engagement comes through individual and group research, service-learning, volunteer activities, summer internships, off campus study, and more.

The success of a Bowdoin education is evident in the capacity of graduates to be informed and critically analytic readers of texts, evidence, and conclusions; to be able to construct a logical argument; to communicate in writing and speaking with clarity and self-confidence; to understand the nature of artistic creation and the character of critical aesthetic judgment; to have the capacity to use quantitative and graphical presentations of information critically and confidently; and to access, evaluate, and make effective use of information resources in varied forms and media. These fundamental capacities serve as crucial supports for a commitment to active intellectual inquiry — to taking independent and multi-faceted approaches to solving complex problems; knowing how to ask important and fruitful questions and to pursue answers critically and effectively; sharing in the excitement of discovery and creativity; and being passionately committed to a subject of study. Graduates should thus have the ability to engage competing views critically, to make principled judgments that inform their practice, and to work effectively with others as informed citizens committed to constructing a just and sustainable world.
Bowdoin students must design an education in the context of their own developing goals and aspirations and in relation to the College’s vision of a liberal education, its distribution requirements, and the requirements of a major field of study. The distribution requirements encourage exploration and broaden students’ capacities to view and interpret the world from a variety of perspectives; the major program challenges students to develop a deeper understanding and self-assurance as independent and creative contributors to an area of study. Throughout their four years, students build intellectual capabilities, self-confidence as independent thinkers and problem-solvers, and come to know the pleasures of discovering and developing proficiencies in new areas of knowledge. A liberal education founded in both breadth and depth teaches students how to continue learning as the world changes and demands new perspectives, knowledge, and skills.

The College’s curriculum introduces students to academic disciplines that bring conceptual and methodological traditions to bear in teaching disciplined inquiry, analysis, argument, and understanding. Students choose a major, using the departmental or interdisciplinary approaches available at Bowdoin, as a way to engage a discipline in depth. Furthermore, they must distribute their courses across the curriculum in order to broaden awareness of the varying ways that academic fields make sense of the world.

Bowdoin offers a course of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The College requires students to seek breadth in their education through a modest set of distribution and division requirements that stimulate students to explore the curriculum more widely on their own. To graduate, a student must also complete an approved major.

Designing an education is an education in itself. The most fulfilling liberal arts education cannot be fully planned before the first day of class because such mapping would not permit the many new paths for exploration that students discover as they learn about unfamiliar fields, find exciting questions and ideas, and uncover unanticipated interests and talents. Nor can a challenging education emerge if a student selects courses one by one each semester; a liberal education is much more than the sum of thirty-two credits. Bowdoin College permits a wide set of choices to enable students to broaden their views of the world and of their own talents and interests, and to deepen their knowledge and capacities. Designing an education thus requires self-examination, careful thought, substantial flexibility, some intellectual daring, and the wise counsel of academic advisors.

A vital part of the educational experience takes place in the interaction between students and their academic advisors. Each student is assigned a pre-major academic advisor at the start of the first year. The pre-major academic advising system is intended to help students take full advantage of the first two years of Bowdoin and begin to plan the remaining years. It provides a framework within which a student can work with a faculty member to make informed academic decisions. Such a partnership is particularly important during the period of transition and adjustment that typically takes place during the first year in college. Academic advisors may make recommendations about courses, combinations of courses, or direct students towards other resources of the College. They may also play a role at moments of academic difficulty. The effectiveness of the system depends on the commitment of the student and the advisor. Students must declare their majors by early in the fourth semester of their college enrollment and afterwards are advised by members of their major departments.
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEGREE

All students prior to the Class of 2010 should consult the 2005–2006 Catalogue or the Office of the Registrar for information about their academic requirements for the degree. Information is also available at www.bowdoin.edu/registrar, and personalized information for students is available on the student information Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/registrar/bearings.

To qualify for the bachelor of arts degree, a student must have:

- Successfully passed thirty-two full-credit courses or the equivalent;
- Spent four semesters (successfully passed sixteen credits) in residence, at least two semesters of which have been during the junior and senior years;
- By the end of the second semester in college, completed a first-year seminar;
- Completed at least one course in each of the following five distribution areas—mathematical, computational, or statistical reasoning; inquiry in the natural sciences; exploring social differences; international perspectives; and visual and performing arts; these should normally be completed by the end of the fourth semester in college;
- Completed at least one course in each of the following three divisions of the curriculum—natural science and mathematics, social and behavioral sciences, and humanities (in addition to the required course in the visual and performing arts); and
- Completed an approved major.

No student will ordinarily be permitted to remain at Bowdoin for more than nine semesters of full-time work.

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

Students must take at least one course in each of the following five distribution areas:

- **Mathematical, Computational, or Statistical Reasoning.** These courses enable students to use mathematics and quantitative models and techniques to understand the world around them either by learning the general tools of mathematics and statistics or by applying them in a subject area. (Designated by **MCSR** following a course number in the course descriptions.)

- **Inquiry in the Natural Sciences.** These courses help students expand their scientific literacy through an acquaintance with the natural sciences and with the types of inquiry in those disciplines, developed by engagement in active and rigorous study of scientific problems. (Designated by **INS** following a course number in the course descriptions.)

- **Exploring Social Differences.** These courses develop awareness, understanding, and skills of analysis for examining differences such as those in class, environmental resources, ethnicity, gender, race, religion, and sexual orientation across and within societies and the ways that these are reflected in and shaped by historical, cultural, social, political, and economic processes. (Designated by **ESD** following a course number in the course descriptions.)

- **International Perspectives.** These courses assist students in gaining a critical understanding of the world outside the United States, both contemporary and historical. (Designated by **IP** following a course number in the course descriptions.)

- **Visual and Performing Arts.** These courses help students expand their understanding of artistic expression and judgment through creation, performance and analysis of artistic work in the areas of dance, film, music, theater, and visual art. (Designated by **VPA** following a course number in the course descriptions.)
First-year seminars, independent study courses, and honors projects do not fulfill any of the five Distribution Requirements. Further, these requirements may not be met by Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate credits, and may only be satisfied with courses taken at Bowdoin. These requirements should be completed by the end of the student’s fourth semester in college. A course will be counted as meeting a Distribution Requirement if a student earns a grade of D or better; courses will not be counted if they are taken on a nongraded (Credit/D/Fail) basis. Students may not count the same course toward more than one Distribution Requirement.

Also note that the requirement of completing a first-year seminar will not be met if the seminar is taken on a nongraded (Credit/D/Fail) basis.

DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

Students must take at least one course from each of the following three divisions of the curriculum.

Natural Science and Mathematics: Designated by the letter a following a course number in the course descriptions.

Social and Behavioral Sciences: Designated by the letter b following a course number in the course descriptions.

Humanities (in addition to the required course on the Visual and Performing Arts): Designated by the letter c following a course number in the course descriptions.

Like the Distribution Requirements, Division Requirements may not be met by Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate credits, and may only be satisfied with courses taken at Bowdoin. A course will be counted as meeting a Division Requirement if a student earns a grade of D or better; courses will not be counted if they are taken on a nongraded (Credit/D/Fail) basis.

THE MAJOR PROGRAM

Students may choose one of six basic patterns to satisfy the major requirement at Bowdoin: a departmental major, two departmental majors (a double major), a coordinate major, an interdisciplinary major, a student-designed major, or any of the preceding with a departmental minor. The requirements for completing specific majors and minors are presented in detail in the section describing the courses offered by each department, beginning on page 52. Interdisciplinary majors are described beginning on page 203.

Students should have ample time to be exposed to a broad range of courses and experiences before focusing their educational interests and so do not declare their majors until the fourth semester of their college enrollment. Students are required to declare their majors before registering for courses for the junior year or applying to participate in off-campus study programs. Students declare their majors only after consultation with a major academic advisor(s). Since some departments have courses that must be passed or criteria that must be met before a student will be accepted as a major, students are encouraged to think well in advance about possible majors and to speak with faculty about their educational interests. Students may change their majors after consultation with the relevant departments, but they may not declare a new major after the first semester of the senior year. Special procedures exist for interdisciplinary and student-designed majors. These are described below.
Departmental and Program Majors

Departmental and program majors are offered in the following areas:

- Africana Studies
- Anthropology
- Art History
- Asian Studies
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Classical Archaeology
- Classical Studies
- Classics
- Computer Science
- Economics
- English
- French
- Gender and Women’s Studies
- Geology
- German
- Government and Legal Studies
- History
- Latin American Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Neuroscience
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Psychology
- Religion
- Romance Languages
- Russian
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Visual Arts

A student may choose to satisfy the requirements of one department or program (single major) or to satisfy all of the requirements set by two departments (double major). A student who chooses a double major may drop one major at any time.

Coordinate Major

The coordinate major encourages specialization in an area of learning within the framework of a recognized academic discipline. The coordinate major is offered only in relation to the Environmental Studies Program. For a specific description of this major, see pages 132–33.

Interdisciplinary Major

Interdisciplinary majors are designed to tie together the offerings and major requirements of two separate departments by focusing on a theme that integrates the two areas. Such majors usually fulfill most or all of the requirements of two separate departments and usually entail a special project to achieve a synthesis of the disciplines involved.

Anticipating that many students will be interested in certain patterns of interdisciplinary studies, several departments have specified standard requirements for interdisciplinary majors. These are:

- Art History and Archaeology
- Art History and Visual Arts
- Chemical Physics
- Computer Science and Mathematics
- English and Theater
- Eurasian and East European Studies
- Geology and Chemistry
- Geology and Physics
- Mathematics and Economics

For complete descriptions of these interdisciplinary majors, see pages 203–07.
A student may take the initiative to develop an interdisciplinary major not specified in the Catalogue by consulting with the chairs of the two major departments. Students who do so must have their program approved by the Curriculum Implementation Committee. Students must submit their proposals to the Curriculum Implementation Committee by December 1 of their sophomore year. A student may not select an interdisciplinary major after the junior year.

**Student-Designed Major**

Some students may wish to pursue a major program that does not fit the pattern of a departmental major, a coordinate major, or an interdisciplinary major. In such cases, a student may work with two faculty members to develop a major program that demonstrates significant strength in at least two departments. Such strength is to be shown in both the number and pattern of courses involved. A synthesizing project is required. Guidelines for the development of student-designed majors are available from the Office of the Registrar. Student-designed majors require the approval of the Recording Committee. Students must submit their proposals to the Recording Committee by December 1 of their sophomore year.

**The Minor**

Most departments and programs offer one or more minor programs consisting of no fewer than four courses and no more than seven courses, including all prerequisites. A minor program must be planned with and approved by both the student’s major and minor departments no later than the end of the first semester of the senior year. A minor may be dropped at any time.

The following departments and programs offer a minor:

- Africana Studies
- Anthropology
- Asian Studies
- Art (Art History or Visual Arts)
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Classics (Greek, Latin, Classics, Archaeology, or Classical Studies)
- Computer Science
- Dance*
- Economics
- Education* (Education Studies or Teaching)
- English
- Environmental Studies
- Film Studies*
- Gay and Lesbian Studies*
- Gender and Women’s Studies
- Geology
- German
- Government and Legal Studies
- History
- Latin American Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Psychology
- Religion
- Romance Languages (French, Italian, or Spanish)
- Russian
- Sociology
- Theater*

* These programs offer only a minor.
Academic Standards and Regulations

INFORMATION ABOUT COURSES

Course Credit
Bowdoin courses typically meet for three hours a week, with the anticipation that additional time may be spent in lab, discussion group, film viewings, or preparatory work. Most courses earn one credit each. Music and dance performance courses generally earn one-half credit each. The one exception is Advanced Individual Performance Studies in music, which earn one credit each.

Course Load
All students at Bowdoin are full-time students and, in order to make normal progress toward the degree, are expected to enroll in no fewer than four credits each semester. Students may not take more than four credits while on academic probation without approval from the Recording Committee. Seniors may be required to take one course per semester in their major department, at the department’s discretion. No extra tuition charge is levied upon students who register for more than four credits, and, by the same token, no reduction in tuition is granted to students who choose to register for fewer than four credits during any of their eight semesters at Bowdoin. A student may be granted a tuition reduction for taking fewer than three credits only if a ninth semester is required to complete the degree and he or she has previously been a full-time Bowdoin student for eight semesters. All such appeals should be made in writing to the Dean of Student Affairs and the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration & Treasurer.

Attendance and Examinations
Students are expected to attend the first meeting of any course in which they are enrolled. Students who do not attend the first meeting may be dropped from the course at the discretion of the instructor, but only if the demand for the course exceeds the enrollment limit. Otherwise, Bowdoin has no class attendance requirements, but individual instructors may establish specific attendance expectations. At the beginning of each semester, instructors will make clear to students the attendance regulations of each course. If expectations are unclear, students should seek clarification from their instructors.

Attendance at examinations is mandatory. An absence from any examination, be it an hour examination or a final examination, may result in a grade of F. In the event of illness or other unavoidable cause of absence from examinations, instructors may require documentation of excuses from the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs after consultation with the Dudley Coe Health Center or the Counseling Office. Students bear ultimate responsibility for arranging make-up or substitute coursework. In unusual cases (family and personal emergencies, illness, etc.), examinations may be rescheduled by agreement of the course instructor and a dean.

Final examinations of the College are held at the close of each semester and must be given according to the schedule published each semester by the Office of the Registrar. No examinations may be given nor extra classes scheduled during Reading Period. All testing activity is prohibited during Reading Period including, but not limited to, take-home exams, final exams, and hour exams. All academic work, except for final examinations, final papers, final lab reports, and final projects, is due on or before the last day of classes; although instructors may set earlier deadlines, they may not set later deadlines. All final academic work,
including final examinations, final papers, final lab reports, and final projects is due at or before 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the final examination period; although instructors may set earlier deadlines, they may not set later deadlines. In all cases, students should consult their course syllabi for specific deadlines for specific courses. The deadline for submitting final, approved Honors projects for the Library is determined by the College.

Athletics and other extracurricular activities do not exempt students from the normal policies governing attendance at classes and examinations. When conflicts arise, students should immediately discuss possible alternatives with course instructors. At times, however, students may find themselves having to make serious choices about educational priorities.

A student with three **hour** examinations in one day or three **final** examinations in two days may reschedule one for a day mutually agreeable to the student and the instructor. Other changes may be made for emergencies or for educational desirability, but only with the approval of the Dean’s Office.

Also, no student is required to take an examination or fulfill other scheduled course requirements on recognized major religious holidays and Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The College encourages instructors to avoid scheduling examinations on the following holidays:

2008:
- Rosh Hashanah* 
  September 29–October 1
- Yom Kippur* 
  October 8–9

2009:
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day 
  January 19
- First Day of Passover* 
  April 8
- Good Friday 
  April 10
- Easter 
  April 12

**Course Registration and Course Changes**

Registration for each semester is completed by submitting the Course Registration Card. Since most courses have maximum and minimum enrollment limits, as well as course prerequisites or enrollment priorities, students cannot be certain they will be enrolled in their top-choice courses. Consequently, the registration card should list four full-credit courses and up to two alternate courses for each. The card must be signed by the pre-major academic advisor (first-year students and sophomores) or the major department advisor(s) (juniors and seniors), and must be presented to the Office of the Registrar by 5:00 p.m. on the day specified in the registration instructions. Students receive initial notification of their courses within a few days, and Phase II Registration then gives students the opportunity to adjust their schedules. Students who are studying away are strongly encouraged to register at the same time that students are registering on campus; the Office of the Registrar Web site provides the necessary schedules and forms so that registration may be done electronically. All registration information may be found on the Web site at [www.bowdoin.edu/registrar](http://www.bowdoin.edu/registrar).

Registration for continuing students occurs at the end of the prior semester, generally about four weeks before final examinations. Registration for new students occurs during orientation. Enrollment in courses is complete only when students submit the Enrollment Form, which must be submitted by the end of the first week of classes. This form verifies that a student is on campus and attending classes. A student who does not submit the Enrollment Form may be removed from all classes and barred from using many of the services of the College, including, but not limited to, dining services, library services, and fitness services. Enrollment

*Holidays begin at sundown on the earlier date shown.*
Forms returned late are subject to a $20 fine. In addition, any student who registers initially for courses after the first week of classes must pay a $20 late fee.

Once classes begin, students may adjust their course schedules by submitting an add/drop card to the Office of the Registrar. Students have two weeks to make the necessary adjustments to their schedules. An instructor will allow a student to add a course if the following three conditions have been met: (1) the student has the necessary qualifications, including but not limited to the course prerequisites; (2) the approved maximum class size limit has not been reached; and (3) the student and instructor have agreed on how missed class material and assignments will be managed. No course may be added or dropped after the second week of classes. Students in their first semester at Bowdoin, however, have an extended drop period of six weeks; this longer period for new students recognizes the fact that new students sometimes undergo a period of adjustment to college-level work. Anyone who wants to add or drop a course after the two-week deadline must petition the Recording Committee, except for first-semester students who may drop through the sixth week with the permission of their dean and advisor. Generally petitions are only approved if the student can show extreme personal or medical reasons for the lateness of the change. Any course dropped after the deadline will appear on the transcript with a grade of W (for withdrew). Late adds will require that the student has been attending the course from the very beginning of the semester. Documentation may be required. Course changes made after the deadline will require payment of a $20 late fee per change, unless the change is made for reasons outside the control of the student.

A student will not receive a grade for a course unless he or she has completed and submitted the forms to register for or add the course. Also, a student will receive a failing grade for a course he or she stops attending unless a drop form has been completed and submitted before the deadline. Students are expected to monitor their records on Bearings, the College’s student information system; this includes monitoring the courses for which they are registered. The student bears ultimate responsibility for completing and submitting forms that provide the College with an accurate record of the student’s course schedule.

Independent Study

With approval of a project director, a student may elect a course of independent study for which regular course credit will be given. A department will ordinarily approve one or two semesters of independent study. Where more than one semester’s credit is sought for a project, the project will be subject to review by the department at the end of the first semester. In special cases, the Recording Committee, upon recommendation of the department, may extend credit for additional semester courses beyond two.

There are normally two kinds of independent study and each should be registered for under the appropriate course number. A directed reading course designed to allow a student to explore a subject not currently offered within the curriculum shall be numbered 291, 292, 293, or 294. An independent study that will culminate in substantial and original research; or in a fine arts, music, or creative writing project; or that is part of a departmental honors program shall be numbered 401 or higher. Independent study may not be taken on a Credit/D/Fail basis.

In independent study and honors courses that will continue beyond one semester, instructors have the option of submitting at the end of each semester, except the last, a grade of S (for Satisfactory) in place of a regular grade. Regular grades shall be submitted at the end of the final semester and shall become the grades for the individual semesters of the course.
Course Grades

Course grades are defined as follows: A, the student has mastered the material of the course and has demonstrated exceptional critical skills and originality; B, the student has demonstrated a thorough and above average understanding of the material of the course; C, the student has demonstrated a thorough and satisfactory understanding of the material of the course; D, the student has demonstrated a marginally satisfactory understanding of the basic material of the course (only a limited number of D grades may be counted toward the requirements for graduation); F, the student has not demonstrated a satisfactory understanding of the basic material of the course. Plus (+) or minus (–) modifiers may be added to B and C grades; only the minus (–) modifier may be added to the A grade.

Faculty report grades to the Office of the Registrar at the close of the semester. Grade reports are available to students on Bearings shortly after the grade submission deadline. Once reported, no grade is changed (with the exception of clerical errors) without the approval of the Recording Committee. Grades cannot be changed on the basis of additional student work without prior approval of the Recording Committee. If students are dissatisfied with a grade received in a course, they should discuss the problem with the instructor. If the problem cannot be resolved in this manner, the student should consult with the chair of the department and, if necessary, with a dean, who will consult with the department as needed. The student may request a final review of the grade by the Recording Committee.

Most departments will not accept as prerequisites, or as satisfying the requirements of the major, courses for which a grade of D has been given. Questions should be referred directly to the department chair. Students who receive a grade of D or F in a course may retake the course. Both courses and both grades will appear on the transcript, but only one course credit will be given for successful completion of a given course.

Credit/D/Fail Option

A student may choose to take a limited number of courses on a Credit/D/Fail basis as opposed to a graded basis. Courses to be taken on a Credit/D/Fail basis should be so indicated on the Registration Card or Add/Drop Card. If a student chooses this option, credit is given if the student produces work at a level of C- or above, a grade of D is given if the student produces work at a D level, and a grade of F is given otherwise.

Each semester, a student may elect no more than one course of the normal four-credit course load on a Credit/D/Fail basis, although a student may elect a fifth course any semester on a Credit/D/Fail basis. No more than four of the thirty-two courses required for graduation may be taken on a Credit/D/Fail basis; courses in excess of the thirty-two required may be taken for Credit/D/Fail without limit as to number. Courses that can only be taken Credit/D/Fail (music ensemble and dance and theater performance courses) are not counted within these restrictions.

Most departments require that all courses taken to satisfy requirements of the major be graded. Courses taken to satisfy the College’s requirement for a first-year seminar must be graded, and courses satisfying distribution and division requirements must also be taken on a graded basis. No course may be changed from graded to Credit/D/Fail or vice versa after the sixth week of classes.

Incompletes

The College expects students to complete all course requirements as established by instructors. In unavoidable circumstances (personal illness, family emergency, etc.) and with approval of the dean of student affairs and the instructor, a grade of Incomplete may be recorded.
An Incomplete represents a formal agreement among the instructor, a dean, and the student for the submission of unfinished coursework under prescribed conditions. Students must initiate their request for an Incomplete on or before the final day of classes by contacting a dean. If approved, the Incomplete Agreement Form is signed by all necessary individuals, and a date is set by which time all unfinished work must be submitted. In all cases, students are expected to finish outstanding coursework in a period of time roughly equivalent to the period of distraction from their academic commitments. In no case will this period of time extend beyond the end of the second week of classes of the following semester. The instructor should submit a final grade within two weeks of this date. If the agreed-upon work is not completed within the specified time limit, the Office of the Registrar will change the Incomplete to Fail or ask the instructor to give a grade based on work already completed. Extensions must be approved by the dean of student affairs. Any exceptions to these rules may require approval of the Recording Committee.

Comment, Failure, and Distinction Cards
Faculty may communicate the progress of students in their classes periodically through Comment Cards. The written observations alert students, academic advisors, and the deans to potential problems confronting students. They can also be used by faculty to highlight improvement or successes. Students should view comment cards as academic progress reports providing warnings or highlighting achievements. When comment cards are used for warning purposes, the student should immediately seek out his or her instructor to discuss strategies for improvement. Academic advisors and deans can also be very helpful in developing strategies for improvement and identifying existing support services and resources, but it is the student’s responsibility to seek out each of these people. Not all course instructors utilize Comment Cards so students should not rely on this form of communication as their only source of feedback regarding their progress or standing in a course.

At the end of each semester, instructors issue Failure Cards to students who fail courses. These notations provide precise reasons for a student’s failing grades. Students and academic advisors generally find these comments instructive as they plan future coursework. In some cases, when a student has performed exceptionally well or has accomplished something that is particularly noteworthy, an instructor may issue a Distinction Card at the end of the semester.

Transcripts
The Office of the Registrar will furnish official transcript copies upon written request. There is no charge for transcripts unless materials are requested to be sent by an overnight delivery service.

Statement of Student Responsibility
The College Catalogue is made available each year to every Bowdoin student. Also, students have access to their academic records on Bearings, the College’s student information system. In all cases, the student bears ultimate responsibility for reading and following the academic policies and regulations of the College and for notifying the Office of the Registrar of any problems in his or her records.
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THE AWARD OF HONORS

General Honors

General honors (or Latin honors) are awarded with the degree on the basis of an average of all grades earned at Bowdoin, with a minimum of sixteen credits required for the computation. To compute the average, an A is assigned four points; a B, three points; a C, two points; a D, one point; and an F, zero points. Plus (+) or minus (−) modifiers add or subtract three-tenths of a point (0.3). Half-credit courses are weighted as one-half course. Credit grades are omitted from the computation, but a D or F grade received in a course taken on a Credit/D/Fail basis does count. In the case of a course taken at Bowdoin one or more times, only the first grade will be included. The resulting grade point average (GPA) is not rounded. A degree summa cum laude is awarded to students whose GPAs are in the top two percent (2%) of the graduating class; a degree magna cum laude is awarded to students whose GPAs are in the rest of the top eight percent (8%) of the graduating class; and a degree cum laude is awarded to students whose GPAs are in the rest of the top twenty percent (20%) of the graduating class.

Departmental Honors: The Honors Project

The degree with a level of honors in a major subject is awarded to students who have distinguished themselves in coursework in the subject and in an honors project. The award is made by the faculty upon recommendation of the department or program.

The honors project offers seniors the opportunity to engage in original work under the supervision of a faculty member in their major department or program. It allows qualified seniors to build a bridge from their coursework to advanced scholarship in their field of study through original, substantial, and sustained independent research. The honors project can be the culmination of a student’s academic experience at Bowdoin and offers an unparalleled chance for intellectual and personal development.

Students who have attained a specified level of academic achievement in their field of study by their senior year are encouraged to petition their department or program to pursue an honors project carried out under the supervision of a faculty advisor. The honors project usually takes place over the course of two semesters; some departments allow single-semester honors projects. The honors project results in a written thesis and/or oral defense, artistic performance, or showing, depending on the student’s field of study. Students receive a grade for each semester’s work on the honors project and may be awarded a level of honors in their department or program, as distinct from general honors.

The honors project process differs across departments and programs in terms of qualification criteria, requirements for completion, the level of honors awarded, and the use of honors project credits to fulfill major course requirements. In general, each semester’s work on an honors project will be considered an independent study numbered 401 or higher until the honors project is completed. Students must complete an honors project to be eligible for departmental or program honors. If students do not fulfill the requirements for completion of the honors project but carry out satisfactory work for an independent study, they will receive independent study credit for one or two semesters.

All written work in independent study accepted as fulfilling the requirements for departmental honors is to be deposited in the College Library in a form specified by the Library Committee.
Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars (Dean’s List)
The Sarah and James Bowdoin scholarships, carrying no stipend, are awarded in the fall on the basis of work completed the previous academic year. The award is given to the twenty percent of all eligible students with the highest grade point average (GPA). Eligible students are those who completed the equivalent of eight full-credit Bowdoin courses during the academic year, six credits of which were graded and seven credits of which were graded or non-elective Credit/D/Fail. In other words, among the eight required full-credit courses or the equivalent, a maximum of two credits may be taken Credit/D/Fail, but only one credit may be for a course(s) the student chose to take Credit/D/Fail. Grades for courses taken in excess of eight credits are included in the GPA. For further information on the College’s method for computing GPA, consult the section on General Honors on page 34, above.

A book, bearing a replica of the early College bookplate serving to distinguish the James Bowdoin Collection in the library, is presented to every Sarah and James Bowdoin scholar who has earned a GPA of 4.00.

Students who receive College honors have their names sent to their hometown newspaper by the Office of Communications. Students not wishing to have their names published should notify the office directly.

DEFICIENCY IN SCHOLARSHIP

Students are expected to make normal progress toward the degree, defined as passing the equivalent of four full-credit courses each semester. Students not making normal progress may be asked to make up deficient credits in approved courses at another accredited institution of higher education. In addition, students are expected to meet the College’s standards of academic performance. The Recording Committee meets twice each year to review the academic records of students who are not meeting these standards. Students are placed on probation or suspension according to the criteria below; students on probation or suspension are not considered to be in good academic standing. In cases of repeated poor performance, a student may be dismissed from the College. In cases when a student’s academic standing changes, copies of correspondences with the student that outline the student’s academic standing are sent to the student’s parents or guardian.

Academic Probation

Students are placed on academic probation for one semester if they:

1. Receive one F or two Ds in any semester;
2. Receive one D while on academic probation;
3. Receive during their tenure at Bowdoin a cumulative total of four Ds or some equivalent combination of Fs and Ds where one F is equivalent to two Ds.

Also, students are placed on academic probation for one semester upon returning from academic suspension. Students on academic probation will be assigned to work closely with their academic advisor and a person from the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. Students are required to enroll in four graded full-credit courses while on academic probation. Students on academic probation normally are not eligible to study away.
Academic Suspension

Students are placed on academic suspension if they:
1. Receive two Fs, one F and two Ds, or four Ds in any semester;
2. Receive one F or two Ds while on academic probation;
3. Receive during their tenure at Bowdoin a cumulative total of six Ds or some equivalent combination of Fs and Ds where one F is equivalent to two Ds.

A student on suspension for academic deficiency normally is suspended for one year and may be asked to complete coursework at another accredited four-year institution before being readmitted. Students are expected to earn grades of C- or better in these courses. Other conditions for readmission are set by the Recording Committee and stated in writing at the time of suspension. A suspended student must submit a letter requesting readmission. The Readmission Committee meets to consider these requests twice each year, once in late July and once in mid-December. A student who is readmitted is eligible for financial aid, according to demonstrated need, as long as the student adheres to the relevant financial aid deadlines. Once the student is readmitted, the Office of the Registrar will send course information to the student’s permanent address unless an alternative address has been provided. The student will be unable to participate in course registration until the first day of classes of the semester in which he or she returns. Students are ineligible for housing until after they have been readmitted and there is no guarantee that College housing will be available at that time. While suspended, students are not permitted to visit campus without the written permission of the dean of student affairs. Generally, permission to visit campus is only granted for educational or health treatment purposes. Students are unable to participate in Bowdoin College athletic programs until they have been readmitted. Students are permitted to submit an application for Off-Campus Study (normal deadlines apply); however, they are not eligible to apply for RA, proctor, or house resident positions until readmitted.

Dismissal

Students will be subject to dismissal if they:
1. Incur a second academic suspension; or
2. Receive during their tenure at Bowdoin a cumulative total of nine Ds or some equivalent combination of Fs and Ds where one F is equivalent to two Ds.

OTHER ACADEMIC REGULATIONS

Leave of Absence

Students may, with the approval of a dean and in consultation with their academic advisor, interrupt their Bowdoin education and take a leave of absence to pursue nonacademic interests for one or two semesters. The conditions governing a leave of absence are as follows:

1. Students must be in good academic and social standing at the end of the semester immediately prior to the start of the leave.
2. Leaves typically begin at the start of a regular semester and may not extend beyond two terms. Exceptions may be granted by the dean of student affairs.
3. Leave extensions, terminations, or cancellations must have the approval of a dean.
4. Students on leave are not considered enrolled at Bowdoin and are expected to leave the College community. Exceptions may be granted by the dean of student affairs.
5. Students on leave may not transfer academic credit to Bowdoin for coursework taken while on leave.
Students on leave of absence will be able to participate in course registration for the semester in which they are expected to return. Materials will be sent to their permanent address unless an alternative address has been provided. Students will be able to participate in the selection of housing via a proxy process and are free to visit campus without the dean’s permission. While on leave, students are unable to compete in Bowdoin College athletic programs until after the last day of exams prior to the semester that they are scheduled to return. Students are permitted to submit applications for Off-Campus Study and for RA, proctor, or house resident positions, and normal deadlines apply. Students are expected to return at the conclusion of their leave. Readmission is unnecessary, and individuals retain financial aid eligibility if they adhere to College deadlines.

To initiate a request for a leave of absence, students must complete a Leave of Absence Request Form. These are available in the Dean of Student Affairs Office and online at www.bowdoin.edu/studentaffairs/. Approvals for a leave and the conditions associated with the leave will be provided in writing to the student by the dean.

Medical Leaves
In unusual circumstances, the Dean of Student Affairs or his or her designee may, upon careful consideration of the welfare of the individual student and the college community, place a student on leave of absence from the College. This policy outlines the circumstances of such leaves as well as various procedures and conditions, including readmission criteria and processes and implications for the student in terms of academic, financial, insurance, and housing matters.

Voluntary Medical Leave: A student is encouraged to request a voluntary medical leave in the event that he or she believes that physical and/or mental health concerns are significantly interfering with the ability to succeed at Bowdoin and/or that the demands of college life are interfering with recovery or safety. A student who, in consultation with either the director of the Health Center or director of the Counseling Service, determines that he or she needs to request a voluntary medical leave should contact his/her dean to discuss the terms of the leave as decided by the College.

Involuntary Medical Leave: In unusual circumstances, the Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs or his or her designee, in consultation with Health Center and/or Counseling professionals, may determine that a student needs to be placed on involuntary medical leave. The determination will be based upon an individualized and objective assessment of the student’s ability to safely participate in the College’s programs and will examine whether the student presents a direct threat of substantial harm to that student or other members of the college community. The assessment will determine the nature, duration, and severity of the risk; the probability that the potentially threatening injury will actually occur; and whether reasonable modifications of policies, practices, or procedures will sufficiently mitigate the risk.

Parental Notification: The College reserves the right to notify a parent or guardian of their student’s status if circumstances warrant and if it is believed to be in the best interest of the student and the College community without limitations to state and federal privacy laws.

Appeal Procedure for Involuntary Medical Leave: If a student believes that a decision for an Involuntary Medical Leave made by the College is unreasonable or that the procedures and/or information relied upon in making the decision were wrong or unfair, the student may appeal the decision. The appeal must be made in writing to the Dean of Student Affairs. Appeals should clearly state the specific unreasonable, wrong, and/or unfair facts and should present relevant information to support the statements. Once notified of the Involuntary Medical Leave, the student has five (5) business days to submit his or her appeal. The student
may not remain on campus during the appeal period. If no timely appeal is submitted, the
decision as to the Involuntary Medical Leave is final. The dean or his or her designee will
respond in writing to the student’s written appeal within five (5) business days. The response
will provide a conclusion as to whether or not the Involuntary Medical Leave is appropriate
upon a thorough review of the relevant facts and information. The dean may request an
assessment by an outside medical provider at the student’s expense.

Readmission Criteria and Procedures: A student who has been placed on Medical Leave,
whether voluntary or involuntary, must complete the following readmission procedures before
the student is allowed to return to Bowdoin College:

The student must send a letter to the Readmission Committee, to the attention of the
Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs, requesting formal readmission to the College. The
student must send to the Readmission Committee a report from the student’s physician and/or
mental health provider; the report will include discussion of the student’s current health status,
course of treatment undergone during the leave, as well as any specific recommendations
for the student and the College with respect to the student’s successful return to Bowdoin.
The report will address the following: (a) the student’s readiness to return to the academic
and co-curricular demands of college life; (b) the student’s readiness to live on campus; (c)
the student’s ongoing treatment needs; (d) the student’s readiness to return to competitive
sports, if the student is a collegiate athlete; and (e) any other suggestions that the healthcare
provider deems appropriate.

The student’s physician and/or mental health provider must be a licensed physician if
evaluation is regarding medical concerns and must be a licensed mental health provider
if evaluating mental health concerns. Further, all providers must be unrelated to the student
and must have specialty/credentials appropriate for the condition(s) of concern. The student
is responsible for any cost associated with the physician or mental health provider’s
evaluation.

The Readmission Committee will review the information provided by the student and
evaluate the appropriateness of the student’s return. The Committee may request further
information from the student’s medical or mental health providers. In order to provide for such
requests, the student will be asked to sign and return a release form so that those individuals
at the College who are involved in evaluating the student’s return can have access to the
student’s outside healthcare providers and have the ability to openly discuss relevant aspects
of the student’s condition. In addition, the director of the Health Center and/or the director of
the Counseling Service may also choose to meet with the student as part of the evaluation.

Once the Readmission Committee has reached a decision, the student will be notified by
his or her dean. The decision of the committee is final.

In the event that the student is permitted to return to Bowdoin, the student will speak with
his or her dean before returning in order to discuss the terms of the student’s readmission
including, if appropriate, a discussion of a continuing treatment plan for the student. If such
a plan is established, and if the student does not follow the established plan, the College will
have the right to revoke its decision to readmit the student and will have the right to require
the student to resume his or her Medical Leave immediately.

Additional Considerations: Academic Implications

Enrollment Status: While on Medical Leave, the student is not an enrolled student at
Bowdoin College. The Medical Leave status will continue until the student is prepared to
return to the College and is readmitted by the Readmission Committee.

Taking Courses at Other Institutions: The College discourages students on Medical Leave
from transferring course credit to Bowdoin. The Dean’s Office may allow a limited course
load (one or two courses pre-approved by the College) with the support, in writing, of the
student’s healthcare provider. All requests for such course approval must be made in writing to the Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs. Requests for transferring course credit for more than two courses are seldom granted and require prior approval of the Recording Committee.

**Off-Campus Study Applications:** Students on Medical Leave are permitted to submit applications for Off-Campus Study, but must comply with the deadlines for those programs. Questions should be directed to the Office of Off-Campus Study.

**Course Registration:** Once the student on Medical Leave has been readmitted to the College, he or she will be able to participate in course registration, and can do so until the Friday before classes resume. After that time, the student must wait until after the add/drop period to register. It is strongly advised that the student consult with his or her course instructors, advisor, and dean when choosing courses following Medical Leave.

**Educational Record Reflection:** The student’s transcript will not reflect his or her Medical Leave. In the event a Medical Leave occurs after the start of the semester, the courses will be listed and a grade of “W” (withdrew) will appear. A copy of the student’s Medical Leave approval letter will be placed in the student’s file in the Dean of Student Affairs Office. The handling of the student’s educational record is governed by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). For more information about FERPA and a student’s rights under the law, consult the [Student Handbook](#) online.

**Financial Implications**

**Financial Aid Eligibility:** Students on Medical Leave retain financial aid eligibility as long as all College deadlines are met prior to readmission. Questions should be directed to the Office of Student Aid.

**Tuition and Fee Refunds:** Tuition and fee refunds for Medical Leaves taken during the course of a semester are made in accordance with the College’s Refunds Policy. For more information, consult the Refunds section on page 20.

**Tuition Insurance:** Tuition insurance is available, but it must be purchased prior to the start of the semester. Questions should be directed to the College Bursar.

**Insurance Implications**

**Student Health Insurance:** If the student is currently enrolled in the Bowdoin Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan, his or her coverage will continue as specified by the policy. If the student waived Bowdoin’s plan, he or she should consult his or her comparable plan for any exclusions or limitations. Questions should be directed to the Student Health Insurance Coordinator.

**Housing Implications**

On a case-by-case basis, the College, in consultation with the student’s healthcare providers, may determine that the returning student should not live on campus but is capable of attending classes. In addition, College housing may not be available to the student upon his or her return, due to space limitations. Once the student has been readmitted, he or she can discuss availability and options with the Office of Residential Life. In the event that College housing is not available, the student may choose to live in housing in the local area. The Office of Residential Life maintains information on local area rental listings. Questions should be directed to the Office of Residential Life.

**Presence on Campus:** While a student is on Medical Leave, whether voluntary or involuntary, he or she will not be permitted to visit campus without prior written permission of the Dean of Student Affairs. Permission will be granted for certain pre-approved educational or health treatment purposes only.
Transfer of Credit from Other Institutions

The Bowdoin degree certifies that a student has completed a course of study that meets standards established by the faculty. It is normally expected that all of a student’s coursework after matriculation will be completed either at Bowdoin or in an approved semester- or year-long off-campus study program. (More information about such programs can be found in the section on Off-Campus Study beginning on page 47.)

Apart from taking courses at Bowdoin or in approved off-campus study programs, the College recognizes that there may be rare occasions when it would serve a student’s educational interests to take courses elsewhere for credit toward the Bowdoin degree. In such cases, the work done elsewhere should represent a standard of achievement comparable to what is expected at Bowdoin in a field of study characteristic of the liberal arts. The College does not grant credit for professional or vocational study at other institutions.

A student may transfer a cumulative total of no more than four credits from study in summer school programs. The College does not regularly grant credit for work completed through two-year institutions, correspondence, or Internet programs, or abbreviated winter terms (“Jan Plans”). Credit is not granted for courses taken elsewhere during the academic year except in special circumstances and with the prior approval of the Recording Committee.

Students must apply to the Office of the Registrar for permission to transfer credit in advance of enrollment at another institution. The Application for Transfer of Credit requires the approval of the advisor and the appropriate Bowdoin department chair as well as the Catalogue description and syllabus of each course for which credit is desired. In certain cases, students may be given conditional approval and be required to submit supporting documents, including the course syllabus and all papers and exams, after the course has been completed. The advisor, department chair, or Recording Committee may decline to grant credit if the course or the student’s work in the course does not satisfy Bowdoin academic standards. Credit is not awarded for courses in which the student has earned a grade below C- or for courses taken on an ungraded basis.

No credit will be awarded until an official transcript showing the number of credits or credit-hours and the grade(s) earned has been received from the other institution. It is the student’s responsibility to ensure that the transcript is sent directly to the Office of the Registrar, and the transcript must arrive in a sealed envelope. The transcript must be received and permission to transfer credit secured within one year following the term in which the course was taken. Credit may not be transferred if a longer time period has elapsed.

Transcripts of credit earned at other institutions that have been presented to Bowdoin College for admission or transfer of credit become part of the student’s permanent record, but are not issued, reissued, or copied for distribution. Course titles and grades for courses that were transferred from other institutions are not recorded on the Bowdoin transcript; credit only is listed.

Students should be aware that credits earned elsewhere may not transfer on a one-to-one basis; some courses may be accorded less (or more) than a full Bowdoin credit. Students are advised to consult with the Office of the Registrar in advance to learn the basis on which transfer credit will be determined. For comparison purposes, students should know that one Bowdoin course is generally understood to be equal to four semester-hours or six quarter-hours.
Graduation

Students must complete and submit to the Office of the Registrar the Notice of Intent to Graduate by November 1 of the academic year in which they will graduate. Submission of this form begins the final degree audit process and ensures that students receive all notices related to Commencement. Students will generally receive written notice by May 1 that they have been given preliminary clearance to graduate. Final clearance is determined after final grades for the spring semester have been received and all academic work has been completed.

Students may take part in only one Commencement, and they are normally expected to complete all degree requirements before they participate in graduation exercises. Students with two or fewer credits remaining and who can expect to complete all requirements by the end of the following August may be allowed to participate in Commencement but will not receive a diploma. In such cases, the degree will actually be conferred at the May Commencement following the completion of all requirements, and the diploma will be mailed to the student at that time. Speakers at Commencement and other students playing visible leadership roles in the ceremony must have completed all requirements for graduation.

Resignation

Students may resign from Bowdoin at any time. Resignation permanently terminates the student’s official relationship with the College. If a student were to decide at some future date to wish to return to Bowdoin, the student would need to reapply to the College through the regular admissions process as a transfer student. Applicants for readmission are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and should contact the transfer coordinator in the Admissions Office for further information. Given the permanency of resignation, students are encouraged to discuss their plans thoroughly with advisors, parents, and a dean.

A decision to resign should be submitted in writing using the Notification of Resignation Form, available in the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

Students should consult the Expenses section of this Catalogue for information about tuition and room and board refunds.

The Recording Committee and Student Petitions

The Recording Committee is a standing committee of the College whose purpose is to address matters pertaining to the academic standing of individual students and to consider exceptions to the policies and procedures governing academic life. The committee meets regularly to consider individual student petitions and meets at the end of each semester to review the records of students who are subject to probation, suspension, or dismissal. Decisions of the committee are final.

Students who are seeking exceptions to the academic regulations or curricular requirements must petition the Recording Committee. Petition forms may be obtained from the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. All petitions require the signature of a dean, and, depending on the nature of the request, some may require supporting documentation from a faculty member, doctor, or counselor. Students are notified of the outcome of their petitions by the secretary of the Recording Committee.

The Readmission Committee

The Readmission Committee is chaired by the Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs and comprises the Senior, Associate, and Assistant Deans of Student Affairs; Director of Student Aid; Director of Residential Life; Director of the Counseling Service; Director of the Health Center; Director of the Baldwin Program for Academic Development; and a representative from the Office of Admissions. The Committee meets twice a year, in June and December, to consider the petitions of students who are seeking to return from Academic Suspension,
Disciplinary Leave, and/or Medical Leave. Letters requesting readmission and supporting materials should be directed to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. Students on Academic Suspension, Disciplinary Leave, and/or Medical Leave are not normally eligible to register for classes or make housing arrangements until they have been readmitted. Students seeking readmission are notified of the outcome of their petitions by the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.
Bowdoin College has a group of programs developed to support learning and teaching throughout the curriculum. The three programs and the ESL advisor are housed in Kanbar Hall and work cooperatively to enhance Bowdoin’s curricular resources and to strengthen students’ academic experience. The Baldwin Program for Academic Development, the Quantitative Skills Program, the Writing Project, and ESL support are described below.

The Baldwin Program for Academic Development

The Baldwin Program for Academic Development opened in 1999–2000 with the mission of creating a space in which students, faculty, and staff members can address issues related to learning at Bowdoin College. Established through a gift to the College by Linda G. Baldwin ’73, the program offers resources to help students attain their academic goals and faculty to enhance student learning.

Based on an individualized and holistic approach to learning, the program offers activities and services such as peer tutoring, study groups, and study skills workshops, as well as individual consultation with peer academic mentors. Mentors help fellow students assess their academic strengths and weaknesses and develop individually-tailored time management, organizational, and study strategies. Mentors may be particularly useful to students encountering difficulty balancing the academic and social demands of college life; struggling to find more effective approaches to understanding, learning, and remembering new material; experiencing problems with procrastination; or simply achieving the self-structuring demanded by an independent course or honors project.

In addition, the Baldwin Program for Academic Development provides a resource for faculty on teaching methods, pedagogical innovations, and student learning styles and needs. The director works with the Committee on Teaching and others to develop programs that support faculty members in their efforts to understand and improve learning in their classrooms.

Quantitative Skills Program

The Quantitative Skills (Q-Skills) Program was established in 1996 to assist with the integration of quantitative reasoning throughout the curriculum and to encourage students to develop competence and confidence in using quantitative information. The program was established in recognition of the increasing demand to understand and use quantitative information in college-level work, in employment situations, and for effective citizenship.

The Q-Skills Program assists students in a variety of ways. Entering students are tested to assess their proficiency with quantitative material. Utilizing the test results and other indicators, the Director of Quantitative Skills and faculty advisors counsel students regarding appropriate courses to fulfill their Mathematical, Computational, or Statistical Reasoning distribution requirement. In addition, students are encouraged to take courses across the curriculum that enhance their quantitative skills. The Q-Skills Program supplements many of the quantitative courses by providing small study groups led by trained peer tutors. Upon the request of instructors, workshops on special topics are also provided by the Q-Skills Program. One-on-one tutoring is available on a limited basis.
The Writing Project

The Writing Project is a peer tutoring program based on the premise that students are uniquely qualified to serve as intelligent, empathetic readers of one another’s writing. As collaborators rather than authorities, peer tutors facilitate the writing process for fellow students by providing helpful feedback while encouraging writers to retain an active and authoritative role in writing and revising their work. Each semester, the Writing Project assigns specially selected and trained writing assistants to a variety of courses by request of the instructor. The assistants read and comment on early drafts of papers and meet with the writers individually to help them expand and refine their ideas, clarify connections, and improve sentence structure. After revisions have been completed, each student submits a final paper to the instructor along with the draft and the assistant’s comments. Students in any course may also reserve conferences with a writing assistant in the Writing Workshop held Sunday through Wednesday evenings.

Students interested in becoming writing assistants apply before spring break. Those accepted enroll in a fall semester course on the theory and practice of teaching writing, offered through the Department of Education. Successful completion of the course qualifies students to serve as tutors in later semesters, when they receive a stipend for their work. A list of courses participating in the Project will be available during the first week of each semester. For further information, contact Kathleen O’Connor, director of the Writing Project, or visit the Writing Project Web site.

ESL Advisor and Coordinator

Students who are multi-lingual or who have parents who are non-native speakers of English may work with the ESL coordinator. They may seek help with understanding assignments and reading strategies; grammar; outlining, revising, editing; and the conventions of scholarly writing.
Special Academic Programs

Architectural Studies
Although the College offers no special curriculum leading to graduate study in architecture and no major in architecture, students can combine art and architecture studio courses with others in art history, environmental studies, physics, and other related disciplines to prepare for architectural study. The architecture studio course is intended to develop the ability to conceive and communicate architectural and spatial concepts in two and three dimensions. Interested students should speak with members of the Visual Arts Division of the Department of Art, with Jill Pearlman in the Environmental Studies Program, or with members of Bowdoin Career Planning staff as early in their Bowdoin careers as possible.

Arctic Studies
A concentration in Arctic studies, offered through the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, the Department of Geology, and the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum and Arctic Studies Center, provides students with opportunities to explore cultural, social, and environmental issues involving Arctic lands and peoples. Students interested in the Arctic are encouraged to consult with the director of the Arctic Studies Center in order to plan an appropriate interdisciplinary program, involving course work and field work at Bowdoin and in the North.

Engineering (3-2 Option; 4-2 Option)
Bowdoin College arranges shared studies programs with the School of Engineering and Applied Science of Columbia University, the Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College, and the California Institute of Technology (Caltech). In addition, a new program of shared studies in engineering available for students from Maine is being offered with the University of Maine at Orono.

Qualified students in the shared studies program may transfer into the third year of the engineering program at Columbia or the University of Maine after three years at Bowdoin. Columbia also offers a 4-2 option, and interested students should contact the Engineering Advisor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy concerning this option.

Dartmouth offers a number of options, including taking the junior year at the Dartmouth engineering program, senior year at Bowdoin, and fifth year at Dartmouth’s Thayer School of Engineering.

Caltech invites students of superior academic achievement from a select group of liberal arts colleges to apply to their 3-2 Program. Determination of acceptance is decided by the Caltech Upperclass Admissions Committee for students to transfer upon completion of their junior year.

All students must take Physics 103, 104, 223, 229, 300 or Mathematics 224; Chemistry 109; Mathematics 161, 171, and 181; and Computer Science 101. They are also expected to have completed at least ten semester courses outside of mathematics and science, one of which should be in economics. These courses, together with the engineering courses, substitute for the major requirements in physics for 3-2 students. The successful student earns a bachelor of science degree from the engineering school after completing the two
years of the engineering program and earns a bachelor of arts degree from Bowdoin at the end of their fifth year for all programs except Dartmouth’s. For the Dartmouth program, the engineering courses are used as transfer credits to complete the Bowdoin degree in physics, conferred after the senior year. The Dartmouth engineering degree is conferred upon successful completion of a fifth year in engineering at Dartmouth. Finally, students may also apply as regular transfer students into any nationally recognized engineering program, earning only a degree from that engineering institution.

First-Year Seminars
The purpose of the first-year seminar program is to introduce students to college-level disciplines and to lead students to understand the ways in which a specific discipline may relate to other areas in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. Each seminar places an emphasis upon the improvement of students’ skills — their ability to read texts effectively and to write prose that is carefully organized, concise, and firmly based upon evidence.

A complete listing of first-year seminars being offered in the 2008–2009 academic year can be found on pages 147–57.

Legal Studies
Students considering the study of law should consult with Scheherazade Mason at Bowdoin Career Planning. Students will be provided with assistance designing a coherent liberal arts program that relates to the study of law and allied fields, and will be provided with guidance on all aspects of the application process. The Career Planning library also has excellent written and online resources about law schools and careers in the legal field.

Bowdoin participates with Columbia University in an accelerated interdisciplinary program in legal education. Under the terms of this program, Bowdoin students may apply to begin the study of law after three years at Bowdoin. Students who successfully complete the requirements for the J.D. at Columbia also receive an A.B. from Bowdoin. Students interested in the Columbia program should meet with Professor Richard E. Morgan during their first year at Bowdoin.

Teaching
Students interested in teaching in schools or enrolling in graduate programs in education should discuss their plans with personnel in the Education Department. Because courses in education, along with a major in a teaching field, are necessary for certification, it is wise to begin planning early so that schedules can be accommodated. (For information on a ninth semester option for student teaching, see pages 115–17.) An extensive resource library in Bowdoin Career Planning contains information about graduate programs, summer and academic year internships, volunteer opportunities with youth, and public and private school openings. Career advising and credential file services are also available.
Off-Campus Study

Students are encouraged to broaden and enrich their education through participation in semester- and year-long programs of off-campus study. Whether off-campus study occurs abroad or in the United States, the College regards it as an extension of the on-campus educational experience and expects the courses in which students earn credit toward the degree to be in a field of study characteristic of the liberal arts and to be comparable in intellectual challenge to work done at Bowdoin.

A student who wishes to count academic credit earned in an off-campus study program toward the Bowdoin degree is required to obtain approval, in advance, from the Office of Off-Campus Study. If the student wishes to count credits earned in the program toward the major, the approval of the major department is required as well. Students contemplating off-campus study should consult the online Guidelines for Off-Campus Study published by the Office of Off-Campus Study; they are urged to begin planning early in the academic year before that in which they hope to study away, and must complete a request for permission to study away no later than February 23. (Application deadlines for individual programs vary considerably; it is the responsibility of the student to determine these deadlines and ensure that they are met.) To be approved for Bowdoin degree credit, the proposed program of study away should satisfy the College’s academic standards and form an integral part of a student’s overall academic plan. Approval of individual requests may also be affected by the College’s concern to maintain a balance between the number of students away during the fall and spring terms.

Students are expected to carry a full course-load in any off-campus study program. Credit earned is not formally transferred until the Office of the Registrar has received and reviewed appropriate documentation from the program. In some cases, it may be required that the appropriate Bowdoin department review the student’s completed work.

Bowdoin charges an off-campus study fee (see page 19). Financial aid normally continues to be available for students who qualify.

Depending on their academic needs, students normally are expected to select from the options list of approximately one hundred programs and universities kept by the Office of Off-Campus Study. See below for information on programs in which Bowdoin students participate by special arrangement with the sponsoring institutions.

American University Washington Semester Program

The Washington Semester Program, based at American University’s Tenley campus in Washington, D.C., offers semesters on several topics, including American Politics, Economic Policy, Foreign Policy, International Environment and Development, Justice, Peace and Conflict Resolution, and Public Law. Courses are taught by American University faculty. Students who wish to apply must be nominated by Bowdoin’s program representative, Janet Martin, in the Department of Government and Legal Studies.

Hamilton College Junior Year in France

The Hamilton College Junior Year in France offers a combination of courses in the Paris University system and in-house courses taken with students of the program. Hamilton College French professors direct the full-year program on a rotating basis.
Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome
The Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies (ICCS) in Rome provides undergraduates with an opportunity to study Roman art, archaeology, and history, as well as Greek and Roman literature, Italian language, and Renaissance and baroque Italian art. Under a consortial arrangement managed by Duke University, ICCS operates two semesters each academic year; students generally enroll for one semester during their junior year.

Institute for the International Education of Students (IES)
IES operates semester and full-year programs in several foreign countries. In most cases, IES offers a combination of classes taught expressly for Institute students and regular course offerings at a local partner university. IES programs approved for participating Bowdoin students include those in Vienna (Austria), Nantes (France), Berlin and Freiburg (Germany), Milan and Rome (Italy), Nagoya (Japan), and Granada, Madrid, and Salamanca (Spain).

Intercollegiate Sri Lanka Education (ISLE) Program
The ISLE Program, in Kandy, Sri Lanka, is a consortial program of leading liberal arts colleges affiliated with the University of Peradeniya, for which Bowdoin is the agency college. In each of the fall and spring semesters, ISLE provides students with the opportunity to study language, art, archaeology, and development. ISLE offers core courses in conversational Sinhala and material culture with independent study and electives in subjects such as Buddhism, women’s studies, Sri Lankan literature, history, environmental studies, sociology, anthropology, and Sri Lankan politics. Students live with Sri Lankan families, take courses designed for them by leading university professors, and tour important archaeological and other sites relevant to their study.

Marine Biological Laboratory: Semester in Environmental Science
The Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, offers the Semester in Environmental Science Program each fall at its ecological research arm, the Ecosystems Center. Two core lecture and laboratory courses, Aquatic Ecosystems and Terrestrial Ecosystems, present basic ecological systems and processes. Students also participate in one of several electives. Students use the skills learned throughout the semester to develop and conduct independent team research projects.

South India Term Abroad (SITA) Program
The SITA Program operates in Tamil Nadu, India. SITA offers one-semester programs in fall and spring, as well as a full-year program. Participants live with host families and tour several regions in South India. Course offerings include Tamil language, social and political issues, religion and art, Indian literature, directed field research, and independent study. Students prepare throughout the semester for the culminating month-long independent study project, and gain significant experience in interviewing, as well as other field methods.

The Swedish Program
The Swedish Program is sponsored by the University of Stockholm and a consortium of American colleges and universities, including Bowdoin. It offers students the opportunity to spend either a semester or a year studying comparative institutional organization and public policy in complex industrial societies. Most courses are interdisciplinary in nature. The only
required course is a semester of Swedish language, but nearly all students also take Comparative Public Policy: The Swedish Model and the European Union. Other courses offered typically include Women, Swedish Society, and Culture; Swedish and European Cinema; Globalization and Its Discontents; Europe and the World Economy; and Environmental Policy.

Twelve College Exchange
The Twelve College Exchange provides Bowdoin students with the opportunity to study for a year at Amherst, Connecticut, Dartmouth, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Trinity, Vassar, Wellesley, or Wheaton Colleges or Wesleyan University. Also available through the Twelve College Exchange are the Williams College–Mystic Seaport Program in American Maritime Studies and the National Theater Institute.
The Office of Student Fellowships and Research was launched in fall 2007 with the aim of connecting Bowdoin students to merit-based academic experiences. Often, the application forms for these merit-based scholarships and fellowships require applicants to concisely articulate their past experiences, interests, and future aspirations. While sometimes challenging, this requirement encourages students to undergo a process of self-assessment and self-development. The Office of Student Fellowships and Research is committed to making the application process a worthwhile learning experience for all students, regardless of whether a fellowship is awarded.

The Office of Student Fellowships and Research works with students and alumni to identify and to apply for relevant nationally competitive fellowships and scholarships such as Fulbright, Marshall, Rhodes, and Watson. Numerous Bowdoin students receive these prestigious awards each year, enabling them to engage in a variety of activities including spending time overseas, conducting independent research, receiving support toward their undergraduate tuition, and attending graduate school.

The Office of Student Fellowships and Research also strives to inform all Bowdoin students about undergraduate research opportunities, primarily at Bowdoin, but also at institutions across the country. Each spring the College awards Bowdoin Research Fellowships and Research Awards to more than one hundred Bowdoin students to carry out faculty-mentored research across all disciplines. A Bowdoin Research Fellowship or Research Award allows a student to delve deeply into a research question and can lead to an enhanced independent study or honors project, co-authoring a paper with a faculty mentor, or presenting findings at a professional meeting. These research experiences enrich students’ undergraduate experience, make students more competitive for entrance to graduate school, and prepare students to successfully undertake graduate study.
Courses of Instruction

The departments of instruction in the following descriptions of courses are listed in alphabetical order. A schedule containing the time and place of meeting of all courses will be issued before each period of registration.

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS USED

[Bracketed Courses]: Courses that are not currently scheduled for a definite semester, but which have been offered within the past two consecutive years, are enclosed in brackets.

* On leave for the fall semester.
** On leave for the spring semester.
† On leave for the entire academic year.

a: Satisfies one semester of the division requirement for natural science and mathematics.
b: Satisfies one semester of the division requirement for social and behavioral sciences.
c: Satisfies one semester of the division requirement for humanities.
d: Satisfies one semester of the distribution requirement for non-Eurocentric studies.

Note: A few courses have no letter designation. These courses may count toward graduation requirements, but do not meet division requirements.

MCSR: Satisfies the distribution requirement for Mathematical, Computational, or Statistical Reasoning.

INS: Satisfies the distribution requirement for Inquiry in the Natural Sciences.

ESD: Satisfies the distribution requirement for Exploring Social Differences.

IP: Satisfies the distribution requirement for International Perspectives.

VPA: Satisfies the distribution requirement for Visual and Performing Arts.

Prerequisites: Indicates conditions that must be met in order to enroll in the course.

Course Numbering. Courses are numbered according to the following system:

10–29  First-year seminars
30–99  Courses intended for the nonmajor
100–199 General introductory courses
200–289 General intermediate-level courses
291–299 Intermediate independent study
300–399 Advanced courses and senior seminars
401–404 Advanced independent study: Original or creative projects and honors courses
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Africana Studies

Administered by the Africana Studies Committee;
Olufemi Vaughan, Program Director
(See committee list, page 353.)

Joint Appointments with English: Assistant Professor Tess Chakkalakal, Consortium
for Faculty Diversity Pre-Dissertation Fellow and Lecturer Jarrett H. Brown
Joint Appointment with History: Professor Olufemi Vaughan
Distinguished Visiting Professor: P. Gabrielle Foreman

Africana Studies is an interdisciplinary program designed to bring the scholarly approaches
and perspectives of several traditional disciplines to bear on an understanding of black
life. Emphasis is placed on the examination of the rich and varied cultures, literature, and
history of black people in Africa and in the African diaspora, including the United States,
the Caribbean, and Latin America. Such a systematic interdisciplinary approach captures
the historic, multifaceted quality of African American scholarship and allows the student to
integrate effectively the perspectives of several academic departments at the College.

Requirements for the Major in Africana Studies

The major in Africana studies consists of five required core courses, a concentration of
four additional courses, and a one-semester research project, for a total of ten courses. The
core courses—Africana Studies 101, 102, or 103; Sociology 208 or Anthropology 233;
English 260, 261, 263, or 275; History 236, 237, or 243; and History 262 or 264—have
been chosen to give the student a thorough background for the study of the black experience
and to provide an introduction to the varied disciplines of Africana studies. The four-course
concentration is intended to bring the methodologies and insights of several disciplines to a
single problem or theme. Suggested concentrations are Race and Class in American Society,
Cultures of the African Diaspora, Political Economy of Blacks in the Third World, and the
Arts of Black America. Appropriate courses to be taken should be worked out by the student
and the director of the Africana Studies Program. No more than one sub-100-level course
may count toward the major. Neither courses taken Credit/D/Fail nor courses in which the
student receives a grade of D are accepted for the major.

In addition, the research project, normally completed in the senior year, allows students to
conduct research into a particular aspect of the black experience. Students may complete their
research project as part of a 300-level course, or as an independent study under the direction
of one of the program’s faculty. Students should consult with the director concerning courses
offered in previous years that may satisfy the program requirements.

Requirements for the Minor in Africana Studies

The minor in Africana studies consists of five courses in the Africana Studies Program, one
of which will be an introductory course (one of Africana Studies 101, 102, or 103) and one
of which will be a research course (either a 300-level seminar or an independent study) as
a capstone course. In order to ensure that the minor will be multidisciplinary, no more than
three of the courses can be from the same department. Neither courses taken Credit/D/Fail
nor courses in which the student receives a grade of D are accepted for the minor.
First-Year Seminars
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

   (Same as Sociology 10.)

   (Same as English 14 and Latin American Studies 14.)

   (Same as English 16.)

   (Same as English 17.)

   (Same as English 20.)

   (Same as History 25.)

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

   Introduction to the interdisciplinary field of Africana studies, with a particular focus on African American history, politics, sociology, literature, and culture; course materials also cover the experiences of the peoples of African ancestry in the Atlantic world, especially since the expansion of Europe in the fifteenth century. Material is covered chronologically and thematically, building historically centered accounts of African American, African, and African diasporic experiences. The goals of this course include the following: (1) to introduce students considering the Africana studies major or minor to the intellectually engaging field of Africana studies; (2) to provide a broad sweep of the field in terms of methodological, theoretical, and ideological perspectives; and (3) to provide contexts for the critical analyses of the African American experience in United States history, and the dynamic interplay of African and African diaspora experiences in the modern world.

   Examines the twin themes of love and sex as they relate to poems, stories, novels, and plays written by African American women from the nineteenth century to the contemporary era. Explores such issues as Reconstruction, the Great Migration, motherhood, sexism, group loyalty, racial authenticity, intra- and interracial desire, homosexuality, the intertextual unfolding of a literary tradition of black female writing, and how these writings relate to canonical African American male-authored texts and European American literary traditions. Students are expected to read texts closely, critically, and appreciatively. Possible authors: Harriet Jacobs, Frances Harper, Nella Larsen, Jessie Faucet, Ann Petry, Ntozake Shange, Suzan-Lori Parks, Alice Walker, Toni Morrison, Gayle Jones, Jamaica Kincaid, Terry McMillan, Sapphire, Lizzette Carter. (Same as English 108.)

   Examines African American literature and culture by reading across genres that include the slave narrative, fiction, theater, and poetry. Principal focus will be the essays of such famous authors and activists as Frederick Douglass, Ida Wells, W. E. B. DuBois, Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, Ralph Ellison, Richard Wright, James Baldwin, Alice Walker, Audre Lorde, and June Jordan. (Same as English 111.)
Courses of Instruction

[113c,d - VPA. African Dance and Music. (Same as Dance 113 and Music 113.)]

121c - VPA. History of Jazz I. Every other year. Fall 2009. JAMES MCCALLA.

A survey of jazz’s development from its African American roots in the late nineteenth century through the Swing Era of the 1930s and 1940s, and following the great Swing artists—e.g., Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Billie Holiday, and Benny Goodman—through their later careers. Emphasis is on musical elements, but includes much attention to cultural and historical context through readings and videos. (Same as Music 121.)

122c - VPA. History of Jazz II. Every other year. Fall 2008. JAMES MCCALLA.

A survey of jazz’s development from the creation of bebop in the 1940s through the present day, e.g., from Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie through such artists as Joshua Redman, James Carter, and the Art Ensemble of Chicago. Emphasis is on musical elements, but includes much attention to cultural and historical context through readings and videos. (Same as Music 122.)

138c,d - IP, VPA. Music of the Caribbean. Fall 2008. ANTHONY PERMAN.

Surveys various musical traditions of the Caribbean, paying attention to the relation between sociohistorical context and artistic practice. Organized by geographic region, but addresses such larger issues as colonialism, nationalism, race, gender, and class. (Same as Latin American Studies 138 and Music 138.)

139c. The Civil War Era. Fall 2009. PATRICK RAEL.

Examines the coming of the Civil War and the war itself in all its aspects. Considers the impact of changes in American society, the sectional crisis and breakdown of the party system, the practice of Civil War warfare, and social ramifications of the conflict. Includes readings of novels and viewing of films. Students are expected to enter with a basic knowledge of American history, and a commitment to participating in large class discussions. (Same as History 139.)

203c,d. Christianity and Islam in West Africa. Spring 2009. OLUFEMI VAUGHAN.

Seminar. Explores how Christianity, Islam, and indigenous religious beliefs shaped the formation of modern West African states and societies in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Discusses the role of these world and indigenous religious institutions and movements in the transformation of major West African societies in the following important historical themes: (1) religion and state formation in the turbulent nineteenth century; (2) religion and colonialism; (3) religion and decolonization; (4) religion and the post-colonial state; (5) religion and politics in the era of globalization. (Same as History 203.)

[206b - ESD. The Archaeology of Gender and Ethnicity. (Same as Anthropology 206.)]

207c,d - IP. Francophone Cultures. Every fall. Fall 2008. HANÉtha VÉTÉ-CONGOLO.

An introduction to the cultures of various French-speaking regions outside of France. Examines the history, politics, customs, cinema, literature, and arts of the Francophone world, principally Africa and the Caribbean. Readings include newspaper and magazine articles, short stories, and a novel. Students see and discuss television news, documentaries, and feature films. Conducted in French. (Same as French 207 and Latin American Studies 206.)

Prerequisite: French 205 or permission of the instructor.

208b,d. Race and Ethnicity. Fall 2008. SETH OVADIA.

The social and cultural meaning of race and ethnicity, with emphasis on the politics of events and processes in contemporary America. Analysis of the causes and consequences of prejudice and discrimination. Examination of the relationships between race and class. Comparisons
among racial and ethnic minorities in the United States. (Same as Sociology 208).

Prerequisite: Sociology 101, Africana Studies 101, or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.

**212c - VPA. Topics in Jazz History: Charles Mingus and Nina Simone.** Spring 2009. JAMES MCCALLA.

The careers of composer/leader/bassist Charles Mingus (1922–1979) and singer/pianist Nina Simone (1933–2003) reflected similar concerns—the multifarious varieties of black music, the use of black musics as statements of racial pride, the openness toward many musical genres in their own work, the constant explorations, and not least the intense involvement in civil rights and their own explosive temperaments. At the same time, these two major artists were very different in their individual styles and in their life experiences. Studies the output of both Mingus and Simone in their relationship to jazz history and other musical genres, and in the context of the social movements of their time. Biographical and autobiographical readings as well as some secondary literature will complement the critical musical analysis. (Same as Music 212.)

Prerequisite: Music 121 or 122.

**217b,d - ESD. Overcoming Racism.** Spring 2009. ROY PARTRIDGE.

Explores and critiques a variety of proposed solutions for healing racism in the United States. A working definition of racism is developed through a careful examination of the social structures that support the continuance of racism and discrimination based on race in the United States. The dominant/subordinate relationships of European Americans with African Americans, Latino/a Americans, Native Americans, and Asian Americans are reviewed. (Same as Sociology 217.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 10 or 101, or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.

**222b,d. Politics and Societies in Africa.** Fall 2008. ERICKA A. ALBAUGH.

Surveys societies and politics in sub-Saharan Africa, seeking to understand the sources of current conditions and the prospects for political stability and economic growth. Looks briefly at pre-colonial society and colonial influence on state-construction in Africa, and concentrates on three broad phases in Africa’s contemporary political development: (1) independence and consolidation of authoritarian rule; (2) economic decline and challenges to authoritarianism; (3) democratization and civil conflict. Presumes no prior knowledge of the region. (Same as Government 222.)

**225c. Race-ing the Renaissance.** Fall 2008. AARON KITCH.

Considers the representation of “race” in the English Renaissance (c. 1500–1650). Explores how authors from Philip Sidney to Aphra Behn used literary strategies to represent ethnic, religious, and cultural difference. Topics include England’s role in the nascent slave trade, the aesthetics of blackness, and the influence of Islamic and “Moorish” cultures on an increasingly cosmopolitan London. Readings include Othello, Jonson’s Masque of Blackness, selected travel narratives, sonnets by Sidney and Shakespeare, and Behn’s Oroonoko. (Same as English 225.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies. 

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

**227b - IP. Transnational Race and Ethnicity.** Spring 2009. DHIRAJ MURTHY.

Examines globally mediated formations of ethnic and racial identities, including the ways in which transnational communities are shaped through contact with “homelands” (physically and virtually) and vice versa. Particular attention given to “Black” and “South
Asian” diasporic communities based in London and the transnational cultural networks in Africa, the Indian Subcontinent, and the Caribbean that they help maintain. Readings include works by Paul Gilroy, Arjun Appadurai, Les Back, Stuart Hall, Jayne Ifekwunigwe, Ian Ang, and the Delhi-based sarai school. (Same as Asian Studies 263 and Sociology 227.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101.

[229c - ESD. Science and Race in Modern America. (Same as History 230.)]
[233b,d - ESD. IP. Peoples and Cultures of Africa. (Same as Anthropology 233.)]


Traces the circulation of narratives at the height of Britain’s colonial power in the Americas. Situates such literary commerce alongside the larger exchange of people and goods and focuses on the fluctuating nature of national, racial, and sexual identities in the circum-Atlantic world. Explores how literary texts attempted, and often failed, to sustain “Englishness” in the face of separation, revolution, or insurrection. Of special interest are figures who move across the Atlantic divide and exploit the possibility of multiple roles—sailors, pirates, freed or escaped slaves, female soldiers. Texts may include General History of the Pirates; The Woman of Colour; Moll Flanders; The History of Emily Montague; Obi, or the History of Three-Fingered Jack; The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano; the Journals of Janet Schaw; The History of Mary Prince; The Female American. (Same as English 233.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Examines the history of African Americans from the origins of slavery in America through the death of slavery during the Civil War. Explores a wide range of topics, including the establishment of slavery in colonial America, the emergence of plantation society, control and resistance on the plantation, the culture and family structure of enslaved African Americans, free black communities, and the coming of the Civil War and the death of slavery. (Same as History 236.)

[237c,d - ESD. The History of African Americans from 1865 to the Present. (Same as History 237.)]
[239c,d. Comparative Slavery and Emancipation. (Same as History 239.)]


The first part of the course will concentrate on studying the converging forces from the 1890s to the 1950s that combined to create the vastly increased activity toward racial justice in the 1950s and 1960s. The second part will concentrate on the tactics, uncertainties, and, ultimately, the significant but incomplete victories of the 1960s. The third part will concentrate on what has been called the “retreat to the ghetto,” and an evaluation of where we are now. (Same as History 243.)


Women of color are often ignored or pushed to the margins. There is a cost to that absence, obviously, for women of color. As Zora Neale Hurston put it, “There is no agony like bearing an untold story inside you.” There is also a cost to those who are not women of color, as women of color are encountered as objects, rather than subjects. Addresses the gaps and explores the histories and contemporary issues affecting women of color and their ethnic/racial communities in the United States. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 245 and History 245.)

Examines contemporary work in this diverse and exciting area. African philosophers raise many questions: Given the variety of African cultures, is there a distinctive outlook African philosophers share, and if so, what is it? How should academic philosophers regard indigenous philosophy? Are their distinctive African concepts of beauty, truth, and the good life? What “counts” as African? Examines these and other ethical, aesthetic, and metaphysical questions. (Same as Philosophy 249.)


Examines the prehistory of Africa since the appearance of modern humans on that continent about 100,000 years ago. Particular attention paid to changes in African economies and social systems through time. Some of the topics covered include the cultural development of modern humans in Africa; the beginnings of agriculture in different parts of the continent; state formation processes in sub-Saharan Africa; and the coordination of ethnographic, linguistic, and archaeological data in research. (Same as Anthropology 256.)

Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or 102, or permission of the instructor.

[260c,d. African American Fiction: (Re)Writing Black Masculinities. (Same as English 260 and Gender and Women’s Studies 260.)]

[261c.d. African American Poetry. (Same as English 261 [formerly English 276].)]

[262c,d - ESD, IP. Africa and the Atlantic World, 1400–1880. (Same as History 262.)]


Examines the history and contributions of African Americans to United States theater from the early blackface minstrel tradition, to the revolutionary theater of the Black Arts writers, to more recent postmodernist stage spectacles. Among other concerns, such works often dramatize the efforts of African Americans to negotiate ongoing tensions between individual needs and group demands that result from historically changing forms of racial marginalization. A particular goal is to highlight what Kimberly Benston has termed the “expressive agency” with which black writers and performers have imbued their theatrical presentations. Potential authors include Zora Neale Hurston, Langston Hughes, Lorraine Hansberry, Amiri Baraka, Ron Milner, Adrienne Kennedy, Ntozake Shange, George C. Wolfe, Anna Deavere Smith, Afro Pomo Homos, and August Wilson. (Same as English 263.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.


Focuses on conquest, colonialism, and its legacies in sub-Saharan Africa; the violent process of colonial pacification, examined from European and African perspectives; the different ways of consolidating colonial rule and African resistance to colonial rule, from Maji Maji to Mau Mau; and African nationalism and independence, as experienced by Africa’s nationalist leaders, from Kwame Nkrumah to Jomo Kenyatta, and their critics. Concludes with the limits of independence, mass disenchantment, the rise of the predatory post-colonial state, genocide in the Great Lakes, and the wars of Central Africa. (Same as History 264.)

[265c,d - IP. Africa and the Indian Ocean World. (Same as History 265.)]

[266c.d. Topics in African American Literature: The Harlem Renaissance. (Same as English 266.)]
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[267c.d - IP. African Environmental History. (Same as Environmental Studies 268 and History 267.)]

Examines slave narratives and anti-slavery novels from the United States and Cuba (where almost all of the nineteenth-century writings in Spanish originated). Situates these works in their historical and literary contexts and explores the ways in which authors enter politically charged debates about slavery, gender, and sexuality. Authors include the orator, editor, and statesman Frederick Douglass; the enslaved poet Juan Manzano; the feisty narrator Esteban Montejo; Martin Delany, known as the father of Black nationalism; the once enslaved authors and activists Harriet Jacobs and Louisa Picquet; and Jamaica’s famous woman warrior, Nanny. Spanish speakers will be encouraged to read primary texts and criticism in Spanish. Writing intensive. (Same as English 268 and Latin American Studies 268.)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

[269c.d - ESD, IP. After Apartheid: South African History and Historiography. (Same as History 269.)]

Explorations of short fiction by African American writers from fugitive narratives to futurist science fiction. Focuses on strategies of cultural survival as mapped in narrative form—with special interest in trickster storytellers, alternative temporalities and double-voicing. Close attention paid to the exigencies of the short form, the experimental ground of the short story and its role for emerging writers, and notable anthologies and the role of stories in movement-making. (Same as English 270 [formerly English 275].)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

Seminar. The slavery that emerged with the expansion of European powers in the New World was historically unique—a form more exploitative and capitalistic than any seen before. Paradoxically, it was this same Atlantic world that bred the ideas of universal human liberty that led to slavery’s demise. Explores this conundrum and examines the movements in the Atlantic world dedicated to abolishing slavery in the Atlantic basin in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Considers the foundations of antislavery thought, the abolition of the slave trade, the relationship between capitalism and abolitionism, the role of African American protest, the emergence of immediatism in America, the progress of Atlantic emancipations, and the historical memory of antislavery. Intensive engagement with historical arguments on this topic. (Same as History 270.)

[277c. Topics in Nineteenth-Century American Literature: Empire of Feeling. (Same as English 252 [formerly English 277].)]

Explores the politics and culture of the 1960s in the United States. Particular topics of focus include civil rights, student activism, the Vietnam War, the counterculture, and the beginnings of the feminist and environmental movements of the 1970s. Also explores the political dynamics of the decade’s various controversies, paying particular attention to the way that such controversies shaped—and continue to shape—United States political culture. (Same as History 278.)
Examines a broad swath of antebellum and postbellum American sentimental literature; its purpose is to understand the ways in which the literature defines itself both in alliance with and opposition to slavery. Students also engage a number of theoretical texts that discuss the philosophical dimensions of sentimentalism and its impact on the form of American fiction. Works by Stowe, Melville, Hawthorne, Sedgwick, Sarah Hale, Lydia Maria Child, Frances Harper and Frank Webb, among others, will be included. (Same as English 279.)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.


[280b - ESD. Race, Biology, and Anthropology. (Same as Anthropology 280.)]

[305c.d. Critical Race Theory.]

[322c.d. African American Literature and Visual Culture. (Same as English 322.)]

[324c.d. Empirical Africa: Exoticism, Race, and Gender. (Same as French 324 and Latin American Studies 324.)]

327c.d. White Negroes. Spring 2009. GUY MARK FOSTER.
Close readings of literary and filmic texts that interrogate widespread beliefs in the fixity of racial categories and the broad assumptions these beliefs often engender. Investigates “whiteness” and “blackness” as unstable and fractured ideological constructs—constructs that, while socially and historically produced, are no less “real” in their tangible effects, whether internal or external. Includes works by Charles Chesnutt, Sinclair Lewis, Nella Larsen, Norman Mailer, Anne McClintock, Jack Kerouac, John Howard Griffin, Andrea Lee, Sandra Bernhard, and Warren Beatty. (Same as English 327.)
Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or Africana studies, or permission of the instructor.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

A research course for majors and interested non-majors that culminates in a single 25–30 page research paper. With the professor’s consent, students may choose any topic in Civil War or African American history, broadly defined. This is a special opportunity to delve into Bowdoin’s rich collections of primary historical source documents. (Same as History 336.)
Prerequisite: One course in United States history.

[360c.d. Religion and Politics in African History. (Same as History 360 and Religion 360.)]

Art

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Lecturer: John B. Bisbee
Artist in Residence: Thomas B. Cornell

The Department of Art comprises two programs: art history and visual arts. Majors in the department are expected to elect one of these programs. The major in art history is devoted primarily to the historical and critical study of the visual arts as an embodiment of some of humanity’s cultural values and a record of the historical interplay of sensibility, thought, and society. The major in visual arts is intended to encourage a sensitive development of perceptual, creative, and critical abilities in visual expression.

Requirements for the Major in Art History
The art history major consists of ten courses, excluding first-year seminars. Required are Art History 101; one course in African, Asian, or pre-Columbian art history numbered 103 or higher; one from Art History 209, 210, 212, 213, 214, 215, or 226; one from Art History 216, 222, 223, 224, or 232; one from Art History 240, 241, 242, 252, 254, 262, or 264; one additional 200-level course; two 300-level seminars; and two additional art history courses numbered above 101, one of which may be an independent study. Art history majors are also encouraged to take courses in foreign languages and literature, history, philosophy, religion, and the other arts.

Interdisciplinary Majors
The department participates in interdisciplinary programs in art history and archaeology and in art history and visual arts. See pages 203–04.

Requirements for the Minor in Art History
The minor consists of five courses, excluding first-year seminars. Required courses are Art History 101; two 200-level courses; one 300-level course; and one additional art history course numbered above 101.

Courses that will count toward the major and minor must be taken on a graded basis (not Credit/D/Fail), and students must earn grades of C- or better in these courses.

The major and the minor in visual arts are described on page 65.

COURSES IN THE HISTORY OF ART

First-Year Seminars
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

101c. Introduction to the History of Western Art. Fall 2008. SUSAN WEGNER.

A chronological survey of the art of the Western world (Egypt, the Near East, Europe, and the European-based culture of North America), from the Paleolithic period of prehistoric Europe to the present. Considers the historical context of art and its production, the role of the artist in society, style and the problems of stylistic tradition and innovation, and the major themes and symbols of Western art. Required of majors and minors in art history. This course is a prerequisite for most upper-level courses in the history of art.

[103c.d - IP. Introduction to Asian Art. (Same as Asian Studies 103.)]

130c.d - IP. Introduction to the Arts of Ancient Mexico and Peru. Spring 2009. SUSAN WEGNER.

A chronological survey of the arts created by major cultures of ancient Mexico and Peru. Mesoamerican cultures studied include the Olmec, Teotihuacan, the Maya, and the Aztec up through the arrival of the Europeans. South American cultures such as Chavin, Naca, and Inca are examined. Painting, sculpture, and architecture are considered in the context of religion and society. Readings in translation include Mayan myth and chronicles of the conquest. (Same as Latin American Studies 130.)

209c. Introduction to Greek Archaeology. Fall 2009. RYAN RICCIARDI.

Introduces the techniques and methods of classical archaeology as revealed through an examination of Greek material culture. Emphasis upon the major monuments and artifacts of the Greek world from prehistory to the Hellenistic age. Architecture, sculpture, fresco painting, and other “minor arts” are examined at such sites as Knossos, Mycenae, Athens, Delphi, and Olympia. Considers the nature of this archaeological evidence and the relationship of classical archaeology to other disciplines such as art history, history, and classics. Assigned reading supplements illustrated presentations of the major archaeological finds of the Greek world. (Same as Archaeology 101.)

210c. Introduction to Roman Archaeology. Fall 2008. RYAN RICCIARDI.

Surveys the material culture of Roman society, from Italy’s prehistory and the origins of the Roman state through its development into a cosmopolitan empire, and concludes with the fundamental reorganization during the late third and early fourth centuries of our era. Lectures explore ancient sites such as Rome, Pompeii, Athens, Ephesus, and others around the Mediterranean. Emphasis upon the major monuments and artifacts of the Roman era: architecture, sculpture, fresco painting, and other “minor arts.” Considers the nature of this archaeological evidence and the relationship of classical archaeology to other disciplines such as art history, history, and classics. Assigned reading supplements illustrated presentations of the major archaeological finds of the Roman world. (Same as Archaeology 102.)


A chronological survey of ritual objects, sculpture, architecture, painting, and decorative arts in China from the Neolithic to the modern period. Topics include ritual practices and mortuary art, technologies of art and the role of trade, the impact of Buddhism, courtly and scholarly modes of painting, and popular and avant-garde art. (Same as Asian Studies 211.)

213c - VPA. Art of Three Faiths: Christian, Jewish, and Islamic Art and Architecture, from the Third to the Twelfth Century. Spring 2009. STEPHEN PERKINSON.

Examines ways images, objects, and buildings shaped the experiences and expressed the beliefs of members of three major religious traditions (Christianity, Judaism, and Islam) in
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Europe and the Mediterranean region. Deals with artworks spanning the third century through the twelfth century from Europe, the Middle East, North Africa, and the Byzantine Empire. Many of the sessions will be thematic, dealing with issues that cut across geographic and chronological boundaries. Topics examined include the embrace or rejection of a classical artistic heritage; the sponsorship of religious art by powerful figures; the use of images and architecture to define community, and to reject those defined as outsiders; forms of iconoclasm and criticism of the use of images among the three religions; theological justifications for the use of images; and the role of images in efforts to convert or conquer members of another faith.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.

[214c - VPA. The Gothic World.]

[215c. Illuminated Manuscripts and Early Printed Books.]


Surveys ritual objects, sculpture, architecture, painting, and decorative arts in Japan from the Neolithic to the modern period. Topics include ceramic forms and grave goods, the adaptation of Chinese models, arts associated with Shinto and Buddhist religions, narrative painting, warrior culture, the tea ceremony, woodblock prints and popular arts, modernization and the avant-garde. (Same as Asian Studies 209.)


Examines the multitude of visual expressions Chinese artists adopted, re-fashioned, and rejected during the political struggles of the twentieth century, from the May Fourth Movement of 1919 through the Cultural Revolution (1966–76) and (almost) to the present day. Major themes include the tension between identity and modernity, the relationship between art and politics, and the impact of globalization and an international art market. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster in the Asian Studies Program (see page 70).

(Same as Asian Studies 220.)

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or 110, or permission of the instructor.

[222c - VPA. Art of the Italian Renaissance.]

[223c - VPA. The Arts of Venice.]

[224c - VPA. Mannerism.]


Surveys the painting of the Netherlands, Germany, and France. Topics include the spread of the influential naturalistic style of Campin, van Eyck, and van der Weyden; the confrontation with the classical art of Italy in the work of Dürer and others; the continuance of a native tradition in the work of Bosch and Bruegel the Elder; the changing role of patronage; and the rise of specialties such as landscape and portrait painting.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.


The art of seventeenth-century Europe. Topics include the revolution in painting carried out by Caravaggio, Annibale Carracci, and their followers in Rome; the development of these trends in the works of Rubens, Bernini, Georges de la Tour, Poussin, and others; and the rise of an independent school of painting in Holland. Connections between art, religious ideas, and political conditions are stressed.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.
[242c. Nineteenth-Century European Art.]


Examines major buildings, architects, architectural theories, and debates during the modern period, with a strong emphasis on Europe through 1900, and both the United States and Europe in the twentieth century. Central issues of concern include architecture as an important carrier of historical, social, and political meaning; changing ideas of history and progress in built form; and the varied architectural responses to industrialization. Attempts to develop students’ visual acuity and ability to interpret architectural form while exploring these and other issues. (Same as Environmental Studies 243.)


The art of Victorian Britain. Topics include the relationship of art and literature in the work of the Pre-Raphaelites, the moralizing function of Victorian narrative painting, classicism in the work of Leighton and Alma-Tadema, and Aestheticism. Special attention is paid to the exhibition culture and art criticism of the period.

[252c. Modern Art.]


Art of Europe and the Americas since World War II, with emphasis on the New York school. Introductory overview of modernism. Detailed examination of abstract expressionism and minimalist developments; pop, conceptual, and environmental art; and European abstraction. Concludes with an examination of the international consequences of modernist and contemporary developments, the impact of new electronic and technological media, and the critical debate surrounding the subject of postmodernism.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or 252, or permission of the instructor.

[256c - VPA. Women and Art. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 258.)]

[262c. American Art from the Colonial Period to the Civil War.]


American architecture, sculpture, and painting between the Civil War and World War II. Issues considered include the expatriation of American painters after the Civil War, the introduction of European modernism to the United States, the pioneering achievements of American architects and photographers, and the continuing tension between native and cosmopolitan forms of cultural expression. Field trips to the Bowdoin College Museum of Art.


Seminars in Art History

The seminars are intended to utilize the scholarly interests of members of the department and provide an opportunity for advanced work for selected students who have successfully completed enough of the regular courses to possess a sufficient background. The department does not expect to give all, or in some cases any, seminars in each semester. As the seminars are varied, a given topic may be offered only once, or its form changed considerably from time to time.

Investigates one of the most momentous innovations in the history of western art: the decision to begin producing large-scale paintings on cloth or wooden panels. Such paintings are central to what we think of today when we speak of “art,” but scholars still debate precisely when, where, and why this crucial medium developed. Who made the decision to begin painting on sheets of cloth or panels? Why did they choose to do so? What role did the artists play in this transformation? What was the role of patrons? How was this new medium connected to established artistic traditions, such as manuscript illumination or metalwork? Each meeting focuses on a single painting or a small group of related works.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.


Examines key developments in painting during the Song dynasty (960–1127), including theories that relate painting to sister arts of calligraphy and poetry, painting of the scholar-official class, painting for the imperial court, and painting related to Chan (Zen) Buddhism. No prior knowledge of Chinese history and culture is required. (Same as Asian Studies 323.)


Contrasts two artists—one male, one female—whose powerful, naturalistic styles transformed European painting in the seventeenth century. Starting with a close examination of the artists’ biographies (in translation), focuses on questions of the artists’ education, artistic theory, style as a reflection of character, and myths and legends of the artists’ lives. Also examines the meanings of seventeenth-century images of heroic women, such as Esther, Judith, and Lucretia, in light of social and cultural attitudes of the times.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.

355c. Modernism and the Nude. Fall 2008. PAMELA FLETCHER.

An examination of the central role that images of the female nude played in the development of modernist art between 1860 and the 1920s. Topics include the tradition of the female nude in art; the gendered dynamics of modernism; and the social, cultural, and artistic meaning of nudity. Artists considered include Manet, Degas, Cézanne, Picasso, and Valadon. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 355.)

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.

[359c. Manet’s Modernism.]

[365c. Picturing Nature. (Same as Environmental Studies 365.)]


Examines the visualization of race in America from the eighteenth century to the present day, with an emphasis on the period from the end of Reconstruction to the Civil Rights Era. Looks closely at artworks of diverse subjects in diverse media, including Frederick Remington’s illustrations of cowboys and Native Americans, the art of the Harlem Renaissance, photographs of World War II Japanese American internment, and postwar abstraction. Interrogates complex and sometimes vexing notions of race, ethnicity, visuality, visibility, and identity in historical context.

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Art History. ART HISTORY FACULTY.
VISUAL ARTS

Requirements for the Major in Visual Arts
The major consists of eleven courses, which must include Visual Arts 150; either 180, 190, or 195; and both 390 and 395. Five additional visual arts courses must be taken, no more than one of which may be an independent study course. Two courses in art history are also required.

Requirements for the Minor in Visual Arts
The minor consists of six courses, which must include Visual Arts 150 and either 180, 190, or 195. Three additional visual arts courses must be taken, no more than one of which may be an independent study course. One course in art history is also required.

Courses that will count toward the major and minor must be taken on a graded basis (not Credit/D/Fail), and students must earn grades of C- or better in these courses.

Visual arts courses without prerequisites are frequently oversubscribed; preference in enrollment is then given to first- and second-year students, as well as to juniors and seniors fulfilling requirements of the visual arts major or minor.

150c - VPA. Drawing I. Fall 2008. JAMES MULLEN AND MARK WETHLI. Spring 2009. JAMES MULLEN AND MARK WETHLI.
An introduction to drawing, with an emphasis on the development of perceptual, organizational, and critical abilities. Studio projects entail objective observation and analysis of still-life, landscape, and figurative subjects; exploration of the abstract formal organization of graphic expression; and the development of a critical vocabulary of visual principles. Lectures and group critiques augment studio projects in various drawing media.

160c. Painting I. Fall 2008. MARK WETHLI. Spring 2009. JAMES MULLEN.
An introduction to painting, with an emphasis on the development of perceptual, organizational, and critical abilities. Studio projects entail objective observation and analysis of still-life, landscape, and figurative subjects; exploration of the painting medium and chromatic structure in representation; and the development of a critical vocabulary of painting concepts. Lectures and group critiques augment studio projects in painting media.
Prerequisite: Visual Arts 150.

170c - VPA. Printmaking I. Spring 2009. ANNA HEPLER.
An introduction to intaglio printmaking, including etching, drypoint, engraving, monotype, and related methods. Studio projects develop creative approaches to perceptual experience and visual expression that are uniquely inspired by the intaglio medium. Attention is also given to historical and contemporary examples and uses of the medium.

[175c - VPA. Performance Art. (Same as Dance 140 and Theater 140.)]

180c - VPA. Photography I. Fall 2008. MICHAEL KOLSTER AND MEGGAN GOULD. Spring 2009. MEGGAN GOULD.
Photographic visualization and composition as consequences of fundamental techniques of black-and-white still photography. Class discussions and demonstrations, examination of masterworks, and field and laboratory work in 35mm format. Students must provide their own 35mm non-automatic camera.
190c - VPA. Architectural Design I. Fall 2008. WIEBKE THEODORE.

An introduction to architectural design. A sequence of studio projects develops ability in site analysis, design principles, and presentation techniques. Studio projects and precedents are analyzed in lectures and group critiques.

195c - VPA. Sculpture I. Fall 2008. JOHN BISBEE.

An introduction to sculpture, with emphasis on the development of perceptual, organizational, and critical abilities. Studio projects entail a variety of sculptural approaches, including exploration of the structural principles, formal elements, and critical vocabulary of the sculpture medium. Lectures and group critiques augment studio projects in paper, clay, and other media.

233c. Architecture and Sustainability. Spring 2009. WIEBKE THEODORE.

Explores the critical components, principles, and tools of good sustainable design. Uses design exercises, readings, class discussion, field visits, and case studies to investigate why and how buildings can be designed in ways that are environmentally responsive and responsible. Issues include the relationship between sustainability and creative architectural form, as well as the importance of place and community in design. (Same as Environmental Studies 233.)

250c. Drawing II. Spring 2009. MARK WETHLI.

A continuation of the principles introduced in Visual Arts 150, with particular emphasis on figurative drawing. Studio projects develop perceptual, creative, and critical abilities through problems involving objective observation, gestural expression and structural principles of the human form, studies from historical and contemporary examples, and exploration of the abstract formal elements of drawing. Lectures and group critiques augment studio projects in various drawing media.

Prerequisite: Visual Arts 150.

255. 3-D Digital Animation Studio. Every fall. CAREY PHILLIPS.

Explores the uses of art and three-dimensional animations in communicating complex dynamic and spatial relationships, primarily as they pertain to explaining scientific concepts. Students use primary literature to explore a science problem in a seminar-type format. Study of filmmaking and use of high-end three-dimensional animation software. Concludes with a team effort to create a three-dimensional animated film of the science problem. (Same as Biology 202.)

260c. Painting II.

265c - VPA. Public Art.

270c. Printmaking II. Spring 2009. ANNA HEPNER.

A continuation of the principles introduced in Visual Arts 170, with particular emphasis on independent projects.

Prerequisite: Visual Arts 170 or permission of the instructor.

272c. Landscape Painting. Fall 2008. JAMES MULLEN.

A continuation of principles introduced in Visual Arts 160, with an emphasis on landscape painting. Studio projects investigate various relationships to nature through painting at a variety of sites and through the changing seasons of the coastal landscape. Painting activity is augmented with readings and presentations to offer a historical perspective on different languages, approaches, and philosophies in relation to the pictorial interpretation of landscape experience.

Prerequisite: Visual Arts 160 or permission of the instructor.
275c. Architectural Design II. Spring 2009. WIEBKE THEODORE.
A continuation of the principles introduced in Visual Arts 190, with greater emphasis on projects that focus on the transformation of areas of blight or assist local non-profits. Structure and materials are examined in the context of sustainable design.
Prerequisite: Visual Arts 190.

280c. Photography II. Large Format. Spring 2009. MICHAEL KOLSTER.
Review and expansion of concepts and techniques fundamental to black-and-white photography, with exploration of image-making potentials of different formats such as 35mm and view cameras. Seminar discussions and field and laboratory work. Students must provide their own non-automatic 35mm camera.
Prerequisite: Visual Arts 180 or permission of the instructor.

281c. Digital Color Photography. Fall 2008. MEGGAN GOULD.
A continuation of principles introduced in Visual Arts 180, with an added emphasis on the expressive potentials of color and digital photographic techniques. Different approaches to digital capture, manipulation, and printing are practiced, with a focus on the theory and technical realities of color photography. Through reading assignments, slide presentations, and discussions, students explore historical and cultural implications of digital photography. Assignments and group critiques are used to structure class discussion.
Prerequisite: Visual Arts 180.

285c. Sculpture II. Fall 2008. JOHN BISBEE.
A continuation of principles introduced in Visual Arts 195, with particular emphasis on independent projects.
Prerequisite: Visual Arts 195 or permission of the instructor.


A continuation of principles introduced in lower division studio courses, with increasing emphasis on independent projects.
Prerequisite: One 200-level course in visual arts or permission of the instructor.

380c. Senior Seminar. Every fall. Fall 2009. MARK WETHLI.
Concentrates on strengthening critical and formal skills as students start developing an individual body of work. Includes readings, discussions, individual and group critiques, as well as visiting artists.

A continuation of the Senior Seminar, with emphasis on the creation of an individual body of work. Includes periodic reviews by members of the department and culminates with a group exhibition at the conclusion of the semester.

401c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Visual Arts. VISUAL ARTS FACULTY.
Open only to exceptionally qualified senior majors and required for honors credit. Advanced projects undertaken on an independent basis, with assigned readings, critical discussions, and a final position paper.
Asian Studies

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Students in Asian studies focus on the cultural traditions of China, Japan, or South Asia (India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Nepal). In completing the major, each student is required to gain a general understanding of one of these cultural areas, to acquire a working proficiency in one of the languages of South or East Asia, to develop a theoretical or methodological sophistication, and to demonstrate a degree of applied specialization. These principles are reflected in the requirements for an Asian studies major.

Off-Campus Study

Foreign study for students interested in Asian studies is highly recommended. Established programs in the People’s Republic of China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan are available for students interested in China. Students are particularly encouraged to attend the ACC, CET, and IUP programs. The AKP and JCMU programs are recommended for students interested in Japan, but they may select another program based upon their academic interests. The ISLE and SITA programs (see page 48) are recommended for students interested in South Asia. Consult the Asian studies office or Web site for information about these and other programs. Up to three credits from off-campus study (excluding beginning and intermediate—first- and second-year—language courses) may count toward the major. Up to two credits from off-campus study (excluding language courses) may count for the minor.

Requirements for the Major in Asian Studies

One majors in Asian studies by focusing on a particular geographic and cultural area (e.g., South Asia) or by specializing in the subfield of Disciplinary Asian Studies. Eight courses are required in addition to the study of an Asian language. These eight include a senior seminar (300 level) and other courses as described below. A student who wishes to graduate with honors in the program must also write an honors thesis, which is normally a one-year project. Students must earn a grade of C- or better in order to have a course count for the major. No courses taken Credit/D/Fail may count for the major, unless the course is graded Credit/D/Fail only. No “double counting” of courses is allowed for the major. First-year seminars do count for the major.
The major requires courses from two categories:

1. **Language.** Two years of an East Asian language or one year of a South Asian language, or the equivalent through intensive language study. The College does not directly offer courses in any South Asian language. Arrangements may be made with the director of the program and the Office of the Registrar to transfer credits from another institution, or students may meet this requirement by studying Sinhala on the ISLE Program or Tamil on the SITA Program. Advanced language study is important for and integral to the major. In addition to the required two years of language study, students may apply up to three advanced intermediate (third-year) or advanced (fourth-year) East Asian language courses toward the total of eight required for the area-specific or disciplinary major.

2a. **Area-specific option.** Eight courses, seven of which focus on the student’s area of specialization and one of which is in an Asian cultural area outside that specialization. One of these eight courses is normally a senior seminar. The possible areas of specialization are China, Japan, East Asia, and South Asia. Students must take at least one premodern and one modern course in their area of specialization. Students specializing in China must take **Asian Studies 370** and either **Asian Studies 249** or **275**; those specializing in Japan must take **Asian Studies 283**; and those focusing on South Asia must take one 200-level course from each of the following three areas: anthropology, religion, and history, all of which must have South Asia as their primary focus (whenever possible, two of those courses should be **Asian Studies 232, 240, or 256**).

2b. **Disciplinary-based option.** Eight courses, at least five of which must be in the chosen discipline (e.g., government, history, literature, religion, and other approved areas). Those choosing this option should consult with their advisor concerning course selection and availability. One of the eight courses must be a 300-level course in the discipline of focus, wherever possible. The three remaining courses, chosen in consultation with an advisor, must explore related themes or relate to the student’s language study. The language studied must be in the student’s primary cultural or national area of focus, or in cases where a discipline allows for comparison across areas, in one of the primary areas of focus.

**Requirements for the Minor in Asian Studies**

Students focus on the cultural traditions of either East Asia or South Asia by completing a concentration of at least five courses in one geographic area or four courses in one geographic area and one course outside that specialization. Of these five courses, two may be language courses, provided that these language courses are at the level of third-year instruction or above. Two courses completed in off-campus programs may be counted toward the minor. Students focusing on South Asia must take one 200-level course from each of the following three areas: anthropology, religion, and history, all of which must have South Asia as their primary focus (whenever possible, two of those courses should be **Asian Studies 232, 240, or 256**). Students must earn a grade of C- or better in order to have a course count for the minor. No Credit/D/Fail courses may count for the minor, unless the course is graded Credit/D/Fail only. No “double counting” of courses is allowed for the minor. First-year seminars do count for the minor.

**Program Honors**

Students contemplating honors candidacy in the program must have established records of A and B in program course offerings and present clearly articulated, well-focused proposals for scholarly research. Students must prepare an honors thesis and successfully defend their thesis in an oral examination.
Other Modernities

This yearlong cluster of courses examines Asian modernities in the twentieth century from the perspectives of China, Japan, India, and the Asian diaspora. The cluster focuses on works of literature, film, culture, and art to explore multiple Asian conceptions and critiques of modernity. Topics include the emergence of and resistance against imperialism; the process of nation-building and its destruction; the shaping of national identity; and the competing claims of gender, ethnicity, class, and sexuality. Multiple courses are offered each semester; students are highly encouraged to take more than one. Courses in this cluster satisfy the literature focus within the disciplinary-based option for the Asian Studies major. Fall 2008: Asian Studies 220, 237, 247, and 254. Spring 2009: Asian Studies 244, 257, and 266.

First-Year Seminars

For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

[11c.d. Living in the Sixteenth Century. (Same as History 13.)]


(Same as Government 19.)


(Same as Government 20.)

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

[103c.d - IP. Introduction to Asian Art. (Same as Art History 103.)]


A survey of the musical traditions of the Indian Subcontinent, with particular emphasis on the genres of North Indian (Hindustani) classical, South Indian (Karnatak) classical, and “Bollywood” film music. While historical and cultural factors are studied, focus is on musical construction concepts and processes. (Same as Music 139.)

Prerequisite: Music 61, 101, or 131, or permission of the instructor.


A study of Japan’s coming to terms with its imperialist past. Literary representations of Japan’s war in East Asia are particularly interesting because of the curious mixture of remembering and forgetting that mark its pages. Post-war fiction delves deep into what it meant for the Japanese people to fight a losing war, to be bombed by a nuclear weapon, to face surrender, and to experience Occupation. Sheds light on the pacifist discourse that emerges in atomic bomb literature and the simultaneous critique directed towards the emperor system and wartime military leadership. Also examines what is suppressed in these narratives—Japan’s history of colonialism and sexual slavery—by analyzing writings from the colonies (China, Korea, and Taiwan). Tackles the highly political nature of remembering in Japan. Writers include the Nobel prize-winning author Ōe Kenzaburô, Ōoka Shôhei, Kojima Nobuo, Shimao Toshio, Hayashi Kyoko, and East Asian literati like Yu Dafu, Lu Heruo, Ding Ling, and Wu Zhou Liu.


Examines the relationship between economic development, biodiversity conservation, and people’s livelihoods as it is playing out in India. Development is having significant
impacts on the environment and on rural communities, especially communities that depend on natural resources for their livelihood or where protected areas are set aside for nature. Addresses these local challenges as well as macroeconomic policies and globalization. (Same as Environmental Studies 242.)


Examines the articulation of fundamental social, cultural, and political values within seminal texts of literature that were written from the fourth century B.C.E. to the fifth century C.E. in the Indian subcontinent. The texts may include the Edicts of Asoka (emphasizing the moral development of social interaction), the Arthasasatra (concerned with strategic policy and royal statecraft), Manudharmasastra (the codification of social duties according to age, gender, and vocation), and Vatsayana’s Kamasutra (the aesthetics of cultured etiquette). One-half credit.


This course surveys ritual objects, sculpture, architecture, painting, and decorative arts in Japan from the Neolithic to the modern period. Topics include ceramic forms and grave goods, the adaptation of Chinese models, arts associated with Shinto and Buddhist religions, narrative painting, warrior culture, the tea ceremony, woodblock prints and popular arts, modernization and the avant-garde. (Same as Art History 219.)


A chronological survey of ritual objects, sculpture, architecture, painting, and decorative arts in China from the Neolithic to the modern period. Topics include ritual practices and mortuary art, technologies of art and the role of trade, the impact of Buddhism, courtly and scholarly modes of painting, and popular and avant-garde art. (Same as Art History 211.)

**212.c.d - ESD, IP. Writing China from Afar.** (Same as English 273 [formerly English 283.])

**213.c.d - ESD. Introduction to Asian American Literature.** (Same as English 271 [formerly English 284].)

**216.c.d - ESD, IP. Asian Diaspora Literature of World War II.** (Same as English 274.)


Examines the multitude of visual expressions Chinese artists adopted, re-fashioned, and rejected during the political struggles of the twentieth century, from the May Fourth Movement of 1919 through the Cultural Revolution (1966–76) and (almost) to the present day. Major themes include the tension between identity and modernity, the relationship between art and politics, and the impact of globalization and an international art market. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Art History 220.)

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or 110, or permission of the instructor.


Studies the emergence of Mahayana Buddhist worldviews as reflected in primary sources of Indian, Chinese, and Japanese origins. Buddhist texts include the Buddhacarita (“Life of Buddha”), the Sukhavati Vyuha (“Discourse on the ‘Pure Land’”), the Vajracchedika Sutra (the “Diamond-Cutter”), the Prajnaparamita-hridaya Sutra (“Heart Sutra of the Perfection of Wisdom”), the Saddharmapundarika Sutra (the “Lotus Sutra”), and the Platform Sutra of the Sixth Patriarch, among others. (Same as Religion 223.)

**226.c.d - ESD, IP. Religion and Political Violence in South Asia.** (Same as Anthropology 223 and Religion 225.)

**227.b.d - IP. Contemporary Chinese Politics.** (Same as Government 227.)
228b,d - IP. Chinese Foreign Policy. Fall 2008. OLYA GAYAZOVA.

An analytical survey of the sources, substance, and significance of contemporary Chinese Foreign Policy. Emphasis is on understanding Beijing’s distinctive diplomatic voice by unpacking the growing web of China’s diplomatic relations with states as diverse as the United States and India, Germany and Brazil, South Africa and Russia, Saudi Arabia and Israel. Students will outline and interpret Beijing’s recent initiatives in the areas of international investment, trade, energy, education, and civilian and military technology. (Same as Government 228.)

229b,d - IP. Politics and Societies in Southeast Asia. Spring 2009. LANCE GUO.

A survey of the political landscape and trends of change in tropical Southeast Asia and an investigation of the fundamental driving forces of changes in this region of rich diversity in culture, religion, ethnicity, mystic beliefs, and political traditions. Topics include nation building and the role of colonial history in it; regime legitimacy; political protests (often spearheaded by college students); armed insurgency and nationalism; the different responses to modernization; the causes and consequences of rapid economic growth; the clash between human rights, democracy, and indigenous traditions. (Same as Government 229.)

230c,d - ESD. IP. Imperialism, Nationalism, Human Rights. Spring 2009. RACHEL STURMAN.

Examines the history of modern global imperialism and colonialism from the sixteenth through the twentieth centuries. Focuses on the parallel emergence of European nationalism, imperialism, and ideas of universal humanity. Examines the historical development of anti-colonial nationalisms in the regions ruled by European empires, and considers the often-contentious nature of demands for human rights. Emphasis on the history of South Asia, with attention to Latin America and Africa. (Same as History 280.)

237c,d - ESD. IP. History of Sexuality, Gender, and the Body in South Asia. Fall 2008. RACHEL STURMAN.

Seminar. Explores changing conceptions of the body, sexuality, and gender in South Asia, with a focus on modern formations since the late eighteenth century. Topics include practices of female seclusion; ideas of purity, pollution, and the care of the self; religious renunciation and asceticism; the erotics of religious devotion; theories of desire; modern conjugality; and the emergence of a contemporary lesbian/gay/queer movement. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Gender and Women's Studies 259 and History 259.)

240c,d - IP. Hindu Literatures. Fall 2008. JOHN HOLT.

A reading of various genres of translated Hindu religious literature, including Rig Veda hymns, philosophical Upanishads, Yoga Sutras, the epics Ramayana and Mahabharata, including the Bhagavad Gita, selected myths from the Puranas, and poetry and songs of medieval devotional saints. Focuses on development of various types of religious world views and religious experiences within Hindu traditions, as reflected in classical Sanskrit and vernacular literature of India. (Same as Religion 220.)

241c,d - IP. Hindu Cultures. Spring 2009. JOHN HOLT.

A consideration of various types of individual and communal religious practice and religious expression in Hindu tradition, including ancient ritual sacrifice, mysticism and yoga (meditation), dharma and karma (ethical and political significance), pilgrimage (as inward spiritual journey and outward ritual behavior), puja (worship of deities through seeing, hearing, chanting), rites of passage (birth, adolescence, marriage, and death), etc. Focuses on the nature of symbolic expression and behavior as these can be understood from indigenous theories of religious practice. Religion 220 is recommended as a previous course. (Same as Religion 221.)
An examination of the major trajectories of Buddhist religious thought and practice as understood from a reading of primary and secondary texts drawn from the Theravada traditions of India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Burma. (Same as Religion 222.)

Examines the “rhetoric of confession” in Japanese literature. From the diaries of court ladies in classical Japan to the modern I-novel, Japanese authors have used the first-person narrative to tell stories and provide commentary on the nature of storytelling. Covers major literary works from twentieth-century Japan to ask the following questions: Why is first-person fiction attractive to storytellers? When, how, and why does the “I” tell his/her story? What place does the reader occupy in such fiction? Examines how works respond to major historical debates surrounding Japan’s encounter with the West, modernization, and the changing status of minorities and women. Works read include Natsume Sōseki’s Kokoro (Heart), Shimazaki Tōson’s Hakai (Broken Commandment), Tanizaki Jun’ichirō’s Chijin no Ai (Naomi), and Dazai Osamu’s Shayō (Setting Sun). No previous knowledge of Japanese history or language is required. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70).

Explores Indian films, film consumption, and film industries since 1947. Focuses on mainstream cinema in different regions of India, with some attention to the impact of popular film conventions on art cinema and documentary. Topics include the narrative and aesthetic conventions of Indian films, film magazines, fan clubs, cinema and electoral politics, stigmas on acting, filmmakers and filmmaking, rituals of film watching, and audience interpretations of movies. The production, consumption, and content of Indian cinema are examined in social, cultural, and political contexts, particularly with an eye to their relationships to class, gender, and nationalism. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Anthropology 232.)

Prerequisite: One of the following: Anthropology 101, Sociology 101, Film 101, Film 202; or permission of the instructor.

Explores the changing nature of modern China from interdisciplinary perspectives: history, literature, documentary films, and cultural studies. Investigates the process of nation-building and destruction throughout the nineteenth and twentieth centuries by using history as the primary framework and written/visual representations as analytical texts. A required course for majors in Asian studies specializing in China.

Explores cultural trends in contemporary China with post-socialist condition as the contextual setting and cultural studies the theoretical framework. Discussion topics include rural-urban transformations, experimental art, alternative literature, documentary cinema, fashion codes, and gender issues. Examines how cultural trends reflect and react to China’s social-economic transitions, and how the state apparatus and the people participate in cultural production and consumption.
Courses of Instruction

Introduces students to films produced in the People’s Republic of China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. Places national cinema in a transnational framework and explores how cinema as a sign system constructs sociocultural and aesthetic meanings. Students will benefit most by bringing both an open mind toward non-Western cultural texts, and a critical eye for visual art. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70).

256c.d - ESD. IP. Modern South Asia. Fall 2008. RACHEL STURMAN.
Chronological and thematic introduction to the history of South Asia from the rise of British imperial power in the mid-eighteenth century to the present. Topics include the formation of a colonial economy and society; religious and social reform; the emergence of anti-colonial nationalism; the road to independence and partition; and issues of secularism, religious fundamentalisms, democracy, and inequality that have shaped post-colonial South Asian societies. (Same as History 261.)

257c.d. Law and Society in Colonial India. Spring 2009. RACHEL STURMAN.
Seminar. The British were fond of describing the rule of law as their foremost “gift” to their Indian subjects. What did this law actually entail, both for the colonial rulers and for their colonized subjects? How did the British create a legal system for India, and what was the role of law within colonial Indian society? Draws on primary and secondary sources, examining law as a central arena for understanding colonial governance and political modernity. Topics include key colonial legal campaigns, such as the effort to reform Hindu marriage and the campaign to identify and eradicate “criminal castes and criminal tribes.” Also explores the contentious formation of religious laws of the family administered by the colonial state, the role of race and gender in defining colonial legal subjecthood, and the legacies of colonial law for the post-colonial Indian nation state. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as History 257.)

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

263b - IP. Transnational Race and Ethnicity. Spring 2009. DHIRAJ MURTHY.
Examines globally mediated formations of ethnic and racial identities, including the ways in which transnational communities are shaped through contact with “homelands” (physically and virtually) and vice versa. Particular attention is given to “Black” and “South Asian” diasporic communities based in London and the transnational cultural networks in Africa, the Indian Subcontinent, and the Caribbean which they help maintain. Readings will include those by Paul Gilroy, Arjun Appadurai, Les Back, Stuart Hall, Jayne Ifekwunigwe, Ian Ang, and the Delhi-based sarai school. (Same as Africana Studies 227 and Sociology 227.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101.

266c.d - IP. Chinese Women in Fiction and Film. Spring 2009. SHU-CHIN TSUI.
Approaches the subject of women and writing in twentieth- and early twenty-first-century China from perspectives of gender studies, literary analysis, and visual representations. Considers women writers, filmmakers, and their works in the context of China’s social-political history as well as its literary and visual traditions. Focuses on how women writers and directors negotiate gender identity against social-cultural norms. Also constructs a dialogue between Chinese women’s works and Western feminist assumptions. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 266.)

[269 - MCSR. Applied Research Practicum: Chinese Rural to Urban Migration. (Same as Economics 277 and Gender and Women’s Studies 277.)]
271c,d - ESD, IP. The Modern Girl and Female Citizen in China and Japan. Spring 2009. KAREN TEOH.

Seminar. With the rise of East Asian nationalisms and global commercialism in the early twentieth century appeared two distinct yet related figures in China and Japan: the Modern Girl, characterized by her physical appearance and consumerism, who broke with social conventions regarding domesticity, sexuality, and politics; and the Female Citizen, idealized for her role in contributing to the establishment of the modern nation in a “scientific” and “progressive” way. These two images offer a comparative perspective on women’s symbolic roles in the nation, and how anxieties over the persons and actions of women reflected larger concerns about the tensions evoked by a rapidly changing world. Discussion themes include globalization and commercialization, changing cultural notions of womanhood, family and labor systems, female education, feminism, and gendered nationalisms. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 271 and History 271.)

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

275c,d - ESD, IP. The Making of Modern China. Fall 2008. KAREN TEOH.

An introduction to the transformation of China’s political and social life from the advent of its last dynasty in 1644 to the present. Covers the rise and fall of the Qing dynasty, economic and cultural encounters with the West, Republican government, war with Japan, the Communist revolution, and the People’s Republic under Mao Zedong. Also discusses social and economic reforms in post-Mao China, and the global Chinese overseas community. Major themes include political and intellectual trends, the ongoing tension between the center and local society, problems of ethnicity and gender, challenges of modernization, and the (re-)emergence of the world’s oldest and largest bureaucratic state as a major power in the twenty-first century. (Same as History 275.)

277c,d. Writing the South Asian Diaspora. Spring 2009. DAVID COLLINGS.

Examines English writing emerging from dispersed communities of South Asia (primarily India and Pakistan), including those in Trinidad, the Persian Gulf, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Considers cultural dislocation, individualism, assimilation, and the potential loss of tradition; the performance of South Asian transnational identities in multicultural spaces; the ironies of writing the homeland from afar; the uses of exoticism; the implications of cross-ethnic intimacies; the intersections of these themes with gender, sexuality, and class; and the politics of literary representation. Authors may include Naipaul, Ghosh, Mukherjee, Suleri, Kureishi, Syal, and Lahiri. (Same as English 277.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or one course in Asian studies.

278b,d - ESD, IP. China, Gender, Family. Fall 2008. NANCY RILEY.

Examines issues surrounding gender and family in China, focusing on contemporary society but with some historical work. Topics to be examined include footbinding, constructions of gender during the Cultural Revolution, the role of family in society and in gender construction, and the effect of new economic changes on families and genders. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 278 and Sociology 278.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.

281c,d - IP. The Courty Society of Heian Japan. Fall 2008. THOMAS CONLAN.

Seminar. Japan’s courtly culture spawned some of the greatest cultural achievements the world has ever known. Using the Tale of Genji, a tenth-century novel of romance and intrigue, attempts to reconstruct the complex world of courtly culture in Japan, where marriages were open and easy, even though social mobility was not; and where the greatest elegance, and most base violence, existed in tandem. (Same as History 281.)
Courses of Instruction


Comprehensive overview of modern Japanese politics in historical, social, and cultural context. Analyzes the electoral dominance of the Liberal Democratic Party, the nature of democratic politics, and the rise and fall of the economy. Other topics include the status of women and ethnic minorities, education, war guilt, nationalism, and the role of the media. (Same as Government 232.)


How do a culture, a state, and a society develop? Designed to introduce the culture and history of Japan by exploring how “Japan” came into existence, and to chart how patterns of Japanese civilization shifted through time. Attempts to reconstruct the tenor of life through translations of primary sources, and to lead to a greater appreciation of the unique and lasting cultural and political monuments of Japanese civilization. (Same as History 283.)


What constitutes a modern state? How durable are cultures and civilizations? Examines the patterns of culture in a state that managed to expel European missionaries in the seventeenth century, and came to embrace all things Western as being “civilized” in the mid-nineteenth century. Compares the unique and vibrant culture of Tokugawa Japan with the rapid program of late-nineteenth-century industrialization, which resulted in imperialism, international wars, and ultimately, the postwar recovery. (Same as History 284.)


Seminar. Examines the experience of war in China, Japan, and Europe in order to ascertain the degree to which war is a culturally specific act. Explores narratives of battle and investigates “heroic” qualities of European, Chinese, and Japanese figures. A secondary theme constitutes an examination of the impact the thirteenth-century Mongol Invasions had on each of these military cultures. (Same as History 285.)


Seminar. Explores Japan’s relations with China, Korea, and Europe in premodern and modern contexts. Also explores larger issues of state identity and cultures in East Asia. (Same as History 286.)

287c,d - ESD, IP. Kingship in Comparative Perspective. (Same as History 287.)


Focuses include (1) an examination of the manner in which the power of the feminine has been expressed mythologically and theologically in Hinduism; (2) how various categories of goddesses can be seen or not as the forms of the “great goddess”; and (3) how Hindu women have been deified, a process that implicates the relationship between the goddess and women. Students read a range of works, primary sources such as Devi Mahatmya, biographies and myths of deified women, and recent scholarship on goddesses and deified women. One-half credit. (Same as Religion 289.)


Pilgrimage will be examined theoretically in two ways: first, through a comparative study of pilgrimage as a ritualized religious process of sacred space and sacred journey observed in Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, and Hinduism within the historical and cultural contexts of the Middle East, India, Southeast Asia, China, and Japan; second, as a narrative literary structure in contemporary fiction and non-fiction in modern South and East Asia. Culminates with each student selecting a pilgrimage site or literary work as the focus of an analytical paper. (Same as Religion 318.)

[319c.d. Religion and Fiction in Modern South Asia. (Same as Religion 319.)]


Examines key developments in painting during the Song dynasty (960–1127), including theories that relate painting to sister arts of calligraphy and poetry, painting of the scholar-official class, painting for the imperial court, and painting related to Chan (Zen) Buddhism. No prior knowledge of Chinese history and culture is required. (Same as Art History 323.)


Analyzes the political, social, and cultural underpinnings of modern politics, and asks how democracy works in Japan compared with other countries. Explores how Japan has achieved stunning material prosperity while maintaining among the best healthcare and education systems in the world, high levels of income equality, and low levels of crime. Students are also instructed in conducting independent research on topics of their own choosing. (Same as Government 332.)

Prerequisite: Government 232 (same as Asian Studies 282).


Seeks to understand political change caused by China’s rapid economic ascendance and growing global influence by exploring the various underlying driving forces—marketization, globalization, etc., and how these are reshaping the socioeconomic foundation of the party-state, forcing changes in the governance structure and the ways power is contested and redistributed. The main theme varies each year to reflect important recent developments, e.g., elite politics, the transformation of the communist party, role of the military, political economy of development, the re-emerging class structure, etc. (Same as Government 333.)


Examines development from a variety of political, economic, moral, and cultural perspectives. Is democracy a luxury that poor countries cannot afford? Are authoritarian governments better at promoting economic growth than democracies? Does prosperity lead to democratization? Are democratic values and human rights universal, or culturally specific? Emphasis on Japan, China, India, and the Koreas. (Same as Government 337.)


Explores the “rise” of the warrior culture of Japan. In addition to providing a better understanding of the judicial and military underpinnings of Japan’s military “rule” and the nature of medieval Japanese warfare, shows how warriors have been perceived as a dominant force in Japanese history. Culminates in an extended research paper. (Same as History 380.)

Prerequisite: Asian Studies 283 (same as History 283) or 284 (same as History 284), or permission of the instructor.

LANGUAGE COURSES

**Chinese 101c. Elementary Chinese I.** Every fall. *Songren Cui and Xiaoke Jia.*

A foundation course for communicative skills in modern Chinese (Mandarin). Five hours of class per week. Introduction to the sound system, essential grammar, basic vocabulary, and approximately 350 characters. Develops rudimentary communicative skills. No prerequisite. Followed by **Chinese 102.**

**Chinese 102c. Elementary Chinese II.** Every spring. *Songren Cui and Xiaoke Jia.*

A continuation of **Chinese 101.** Five hours of class per week. Covers most of the essential grammatical structures and vocabulary for basic survival needs and simple daily routine conversations. Introduction to the next 350 characters, use of Chinese-English dictionary. Followed by **Chinese 203.**

Prerequisite: **Chinese 101** or permission of the instructor.

[**Chinese 103c. Advanced Elementary Chinese I.**]

[**Chinese 104c. Advanced Elementary Chinese II.**]

**Chinese 203c. Intermediate Chinese I.** Every fall. *Songren Cui and Xiaoke Jia.*

An intermediate course in modern Chinese. Five hours of class per week. Consolidates and expands the knowledge of grammar and vocabulary, with 400 additional characters. Further improves students’ Chinese proficiency with a focus on accuracy, fluency, and complexity. Followed by **Chinese 204.**

Prerequisite: **Chinese 102** or permission of the instructor.

**Chinese 204c. Intermediate Chinese II.** Every spring. *Songren Cui and Xiaoke Jia.*

A continuation of **Chinese 203.** Five hours of class per week. Further develops students’ communicative competence and strives to achieve a balance between the receptive and productive skills. Students learn another 400 characters; read longer, more complex texts; and write short compositions with increasing discourse cohesion. Followed by **Chinese 205.**

Prerequisite: **Chinese 203** or permission of the instructor.


A pre-advanced course in modern Chinese. Three hours of class per week. Upgrades students’ linguistic skills and cultural knowledge to explore edited or semi-authentic materials. Followed by **Chinese 206.**

Prerequisite: **Chinese 204** or permission of the instructor.


A continuation of **Chinese 205.** Three hours of class per week. Focuses on the improvement of reading comprehension and speed, and essay writing skills. Deals particularly with edited and/or authentic materials from Chinese mass media such as newspapers and the Internet. Followed by **Chinese 307.**

Prerequisite: **Chinese 205** or permission of the instructor.

**Chinese 307c. Advanced Chinese I.** Every fall. *Shu-Chin Tsui.*

A subject-oriented language course, facilitating students’ transition from textbook Chinese to authentic materials. Subjects in rotation include social-cultural China, Chinese cinema, business Chinese, and media in China. Emphasis is given to reading and writing, with focuses on accuracy, complexity, and fluency in oral as well as written expression.

Prerequisite: **Chinese 206** or permission of the instructor.
Chinese 308c. Advanced Chinese II. Every spring. SHU-CHIN TSUI.

Continuation of Chinese 307.

Prerequisite: Chinese 307 or permission of the instructor.


An introductory course in modern Japanese language. In addition to mastering the basics of grammar, emphasis is placed on active functional communication in the language, reading, and listening comprehension. Context-oriented conversation drills are complemented by audio materials. The two kana syllabaries and 60 commonly used kanji are introduced. No prerequisite. Followed by Japanese 102.

Japanese 102c. Elementary Japanese II. Spring 2009. JUN ONO.

A continuation of the fundamentals of Japanese grammar structures and further acquisition of spoken communication skills, listening comprehension, and proficiency in reading and writing. Introduces an additional 90 kanji.

Prerequisite: Japanese 101 or permission of the instructor.


An intermediate course in modern Japanese language, with introduction of advanced grammatical structures, vocabulary, and characters. Continuing emphasis on acquisition of well-balanced language skills based on an understanding of the actual use of the language in the Japanese socio-cultural context. Introduces an additional 100 kanji.

Prerequisite: Japanese 102 or permission of the instructor.


A continuation of Japanese 203 with the introduction of more advanced grammatical structures, vocabulary, and characters.

Prerequisite: Japanese 203 or permission of the instructor.


Increases students’ proficiency in both spoken and written modern Japanese. A variety of written and audiovisual materials are used to consolidate and expand mastery of more advanced grammatical structures and vocabulary. Includes oral presentation, discussion, and composition in Japanese.

Prerequisite: Japanese 204 or permission of the instructor.


A continuation and progression of materials used in Japanese 205.

Prerequisite: Japanese 205 or permission of the instructor.


Designed to develop mastery of the spoken and written language. Materials from various sources such as literature, newspapers, and cultural journals as well as TV programs and films are used. Assigned work includes written compositions and oral presentations.

Prerequisite: Japanese 206 or permission of the instructor.


A continuation of Japanese 307. Continued efforts to develop oral and written fluency in informal and formal situations. Reading of contemporary texts of literature, business, and social topics.

Prerequisite: Japanese 307 or permission of the instructor.
Biochemistry

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Note: Below is a list of required and elective courses for the major in Biochemistry. Please refer to the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics for further information, including course descriptions, instructors, and semesters when these courses will next be offered.

Requirements for the Major in Biochemistry
All majors must complete the following courses: Biology 109, 224 (same as Chemistry 231), 232 (same as Chemistry 232), 263 (same as Chemistry 263); Chemistry 109, 225, 226, 251; Mathematics 161, 171; Physics 103, 104. Students are encouraged to complete the required biochemistry core courses by the end of their junior year so that they may take upper-level courses and participate in research in the senior year. Majors must also complete two courses from the following: Biology 210 (same as Environmental Studies 210), 212, 214, 217, 218, 253, 255, 257, 266, 303, 304, 306, 307, 317, 333, 401–404; Chemistry 210, 240, 252, 254, 270, 305 (same as Environmental Studies 305), 330, 331, 360, 401–404; Physics 223, 401–404. Students may include as an elective one 400-level course. Students taking independent study courses for honors in the biochemistry major should register for Biochemistry 401–404.

Bowdoin College does not offer a minor in biochemistry.

Advanced Courses
401a–404a. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Biochemistry. The Department.
Biology

Professors: Amy S. Johnson, Carey R. Phillips, Nathaniel T. Wheelwright
Associate Professors: Barry A. Logan, Michael F. Palopoli
Joint Appointments with Biochemistry: Professor Bruce D. Kohorn, Chair;
Associate Professor Anne E. McBride
Joint Appointments with Environmental Studies: Associate Professor Philip Camill,
Associate Professor John Lichter
Joint Appointments with Neuroscience: Professor Patsy S. Dickinson,
Assistant Professor Hadley Wilson Horch
Assistant Professors: Jack R. Bateman, William R. Jackman
Visiting Assistant Professor: Peter J. Woodruff
Director of the Bowdoin Scientific Station on Kent Island and Adjunct Assistant
Professor of Biology: Damon P. Gannon
Doherty Marine Biology Postdoctoral Scholar: Daniel J. Thornhill
Coastal Studies Center Scholar in Residence and Visiting Assistant Professor of
Biology: Vladimir Douhovnikoff
Director of Laboratories: Pamela J. Bryer
Laboratory Instructors: Nancy Curtis, Kate R. Farnham, Lesley J. Gordon, Stephen
A. Hauptman, Nancy H. Olmstead, Jaret S. Reblin, Elizabeth Koski Richards,
Peter E. Schlax
Department Coordinator: Julie J. Santorella

Requirements for the Major in Biology

The major consists of eight courses in the department exclusive of independent study and
courses below the 100 level. Majors are required to complete Biology 102 or 109, and three
of the twelve core courses. Core courses are divided into three groups. One course must be
taken from each group. Majors are also required to complete four elective courses, at least
two of which have to be above 250.

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Majors must also complete one mathematics course, Mathematics 165 or 171 (or above). Another college statistics course and Mathematics 161 may satisfy this requirement with permission of the department. Additional requirements are Physics 103 (or any physics course that has a prerequisite of Physics 103), and Chemistry 225. Students are advised to complete Biology 102 or 109 and the mathematics, physics, and chemistry courses by the end of the sophomore year. Students planning postgraduate education in science or the health professions should note that graduate and professional schools are likely to have additional admissions requirements in mathematics, physics, and chemistry. Advanced placement credits may not be used to fulfill any of the course requirements for the major.
Interdisciplinary Majors
The department participates in interdisciplinary programs in biochemistry, environmental studies, and neuroscience. See pages 80, 132, and 228.

Requirements for the Minor in Biology
The minor consists of two courses within the department at the 100 level or above, and two courses to be taken from two of the three core groups. See Requirements for the Major in Biology.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

53a - MCSR, INS. Biofuels.

Methods of food and wine preparation and production emerged from essentially controlled scientific experiments, even if the techniques of cooking are often carried out without thought of the underlying physical processes at play. Considers the science behind food and wine using bread baking, cooking techniques, the role of microbes in our diet, and wine making and appreciation to explore the chemistry and biology that underlie our gastronomy. Molecular structures and complex interactions central to cooking and wine are examined in integrated laboratory exercises. Assumes no background in science. Not open to students who have taken a college-level chemistry course. (Same as Chemistry 55.)

Presents an overview of ecology covering basic ecological principles and the relationship between human activity and the ecosystems that support us. Examines how ecological processes, both biotic (living) and abiotic (non-living), influence the life history of individuals, populations, communities, and ecosystems. Encourages student investigation of environmental interactions and how human-influenced disturbance is shaping the environment. Required field trips illustrate the use of ecological concepts as tools for interpreting local natural history. (Same as Environmental Studies 56.)

Covers the biological events from the process of fertilization through early development and birth of a human. Intended for those who have had little biology or do not intend to major in biology. Explores the formation of the major organ systems and how the parts of the body are constructed in the correct places and at the correct times. Also discusses topics such as cloning and the effects of prenatal use of drugs as they relate to the biological principles involved in early human development. Includes a few in-class laboratory sessions in which students learn to do experiments, and collect, analyze, and interpret data.

Explores the biology of microorganisms implicated in new and recurrent infectious diseases in the context of their global impact. Emphasizes class discussion of topics including microbial growth and reproductive strategies, pathogen-host interactions, and social and economic issues relating to infectious diseases. Not open to students who have credit for Biology 76. See Biology 367 for more information about this course.
Scientific advances over the last few decades have greatly expanded our understanding of the natural world. Some of these discoveries have been applied to other fields to improve human health or solve problems facing society. Examines contemporary application of scientific progress in areas such as genetic engineering, stem cells, drug discovery, biofuels, and environmental remediation. Analyzes ethical concerns raised by advances in biotechnology and bioengineering.


The first in a two-semester introductory biology sequence. Topics include fundamental principles of cellular and molecular biology with an emphasis on providing a problem-solving approach to an understanding of genes, RNA, proteins, and cell structure and communication. Focuses on developing quantitative skills, as well as critical thinking and problem solving skills. Lecture and weekly laboratory/discussion groups. First-year students are required to take the biology placement examination during orientation.


The second in a two-semester introductory biology sequence. Emphasizes fundamental biological principles extending from the physiological to the ecosystem level of living organisms. Topics include physiology, ecology, and evolutionary biology, with a focus on developing quantitative skills as well as critical thinking and problem solving skills. Lecture and weekly laboratory/discussion groups.

Prerequisite: Biology 101.


Lectures examine fundamental biological principles, from the subcellular to the ecosystem level. Topics include bioenergetics, structure-function relationships, cellular information systems, physiology, ecology, and evolutionary biology. Laboratory sessions are intended to develop a deeper understanding of the techniques and methods of science by requiring students to design and conduct their own experiments. Lecture and weekly laboratory/discussion groups.


The Gulf of Maine/Bay of Fundy system is a semi-enclosed sea bordered by three U.S. states and two Canadian provinces. It supports some of the world’s most productive fisheries and played a key role in European colonization of North America. Investigates how the species found in this body of water interact with each other and with the abiotic components of their environment. Topics will include natural history; geological and physical oceanography; characteristics of major habitats; biology of macroinvertebrates, fishes, seabirds, and marine mammals; biogeography; food webs; and fisheries biology. Examines how human activities, such as fishing, aquaculture, shipping, and coastal development affect the ecology of the region. Includes lectures, discussions of the primary literature, and field excursions. (Same as Environmental Studies 154.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.


Functioning of the earth system is defined by the complex and fascinating interaction of processes within and between four principal spheres: land, air, water, and life. Leverages key principles of environmental chemistry and ecology to unravel the intricate connectedness of natural phenomena and ecosystem function. Fundamental biological and chemical concepts
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are used to understand the science behind the environmental dilemmas facing societies as a consequence of human activities. Laboratory sessions consist of local field trips, laboratory experiments, group research, case study exercises, and discussions of current and classic scientific literature. (Same as Chemistry 105 and Environmental Studies 201.)

Prerequisite: One 100-level or higher course in biology, chemistry, geology, or physics.

A study of mathematical methods driven by questions in biology. Biological questions are drawn from a broad range of topics, including disease, ecology, genetics, population dynamics, neurobiology, endocrinology and biomechanics. Mathematical methods include compartmental models, matrices, linear transformations, eigenvalues, eigenvectors, matrix iteration and simulation; ODE models and simulation, stability analysis, attractors, oscillations and limiting behavior, mathematical consequences of feedback, and multiple time-scales. Three hours of class meetings and two hours of computer laboratory sessions per week. Within the biology major, this course may count as the mathematics credit or as biology credit, but not both. Students are expected to have taken a year of high school or college biology prior to this course. (Same as Mathematics 204 [formerly Mathematics 174].)

Prerequisite: Mathematics 161 or permission of the instructor.

Explores the uses of art and three-dimensional animations in communicating complex dynamic and spatial relationships, primarily as they pertain to explaining scientific concepts. Students use primary literature to explore a science problem in a seminar-type format. Study of filmmaking and use of high-end three-dimensional animation software. Concludes with a team effort to create a three-dimensional animated film of the science problem. (Same as Visual Arts 255.)

An introduction to the physiological processes that enable plants to grow under the varied conditions found in nature. General topics discussed include the acquisition, transport, and use of water and mineral nutrients, photosynthetic carbon assimilation, and the influence of environmental and hormonal signals on development and morphology. Adaptation and acclimation to extreme environments and other ecophysiological subjects are also discussed. Weekly laboratories reinforce principles discussed in lecture and expose students to modern research techniques. (Same as Environmental Studies 210.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

212a - MCSR, INS. Genetics and Molecular Biology. Every fall. Jack R. Bateman.
Integrated coverage of organismic and molecular levels of genetic systems. Topics include modes of inheritance, the structure and function of chromosomes, the mechanisms and control of gene expression, recombination, mutagenesis, the determination of gene order and sequence, and genetic engineering applications. Laboratory and problem-solving sessions are scheduled.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

213a - MCSR, INS. Neurobiology. Every fall. Hadley Wilson Horch.
Examines fundamental concepts in neurobiology from the molecular to the systems level. Topics include neuronal communication, gene regulation, morphology, neuronal development, axon guidance, mechanisms of neuronal plasticity, sensory systems, and the molecular basis of behavior and disease. Weekly lab sessions introduce a wide range of methods used to examine neurons and neuronal systems.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Biology 102, 104, 105, 109, or Psychology 251.
214a - MCSR, INS. Comparative Physiology. Every spring. PATSY S. DICKINSON.

An examination of animal function, from the cellular to the organismal level. The underlying concepts are emphasized, as are the experimental data that support our current understanding of animal function. Topics include the nervous system, hormones, respiration, circulation, osmoregulation, digestion, and thermoregulation. Labs are short, student-designed projects involving a variety of instrumentation. Lectures and four hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

215a - MCSR, INS. Behavioral Ecology and Population Biology. Every fall. NATHANIEL T. WHEELWRIGHT.

Study of the behavior of animals and plants, and the interactions between organisms and their environment. Topics include population growth and structure, and the influence of competition, predation, and other factors on the behavior, abundance, and distribution of plants and animals. Laboratory sessions, field trips, and research projects emphasize concepts in ecology, evolution and behavior, research techniques, and the natural history of local plants and animals. Optional field trip to the Bowdoin Scientific Station on Kent Island. (Same as Environmental Studies 215.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

216a - MCSR, INS. Evolution. Every spring. MICHAEL F. PALOPOLI.

Examines one of the most breathtaking ideas in the history of science—that all life on this planet descended from a common ancestor. An understanding of evolution illuminates every subject in biology, from molecular biology to ecology. Provides a broad overview of evolutionary ideas, including the modern theory of evolution by natural selection, evolution of sexual reproduction, patterns of speciation and macro-evolutionary change, evolution of sexual dimorphisms, selfish genetic elements, and kin selection. Laboratory sessions are devoted to semester-long, independent research projects.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

217a - MCSR, INS. Developmental Biology. Every fall. WILLIAM R. JACKMAN.

An examination of current concepts of embryonic development, with an emphasis on experimental design. Topics include cell fate specification, morphogenetic movements, cell signaling, differential gene expression and regulation, organogenesis, and the evolutionary context of model systems. Project-oriented laboratory work emphasizes experimental methods. Lectures and three hours of laboratory per week.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

218a - INS. Microbiology. Every spring. ANNE E. MCBRIDE.

An examination of the structure and function of microorganisms, from viruses to bacteria to fungi, with an emphasis on molecular descriptions. Subjects covered include microbial structure, metabolism, and genetics. Control of microorganisms and environmental interactions are also discussed. Laboratory sessions every week.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109. Chemistry 225 is recommended.

219a - MCSR, INS. Biology of Marine Organisms. Every fall. AMY JOHNSON.

The study of the biology and ecology of marine mammals, seabirds, fish, intertidal and subtidal invertebrates, algae, and plankton. Also considers the biogeographic consequences of global and local ocean currents on the evolution and ecology of marine organisms. Laboratories, field trips, and research projects emphasize natural history, functional morphology, and ecology. Lectures and three hours of laboratory or field trip per week. One weekend field trip included. (Same as Environmental Studies 219.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.
223a. **Geobiology.** Fall 2008. The Geology Department.

An exploration of the interface between geological and biological processes. Focuses on the mutual effects of microorganisms and earth’s land, air, and water chemistry. Topics include biomineralization, origin and evolution of life, microbial energetics and diversity, and biological contributions to weathering, soil and rock formation, and the creation and remediation of environmental problems. Laboratories will include fieldwork, experiments, and light, fluorescence, and electron microscopy. (Same as Environmental Studies 223 and Geology 223.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or biology, or permission of the instructor.

224a - MCSR, INS. **Biochemistry and Cell Biology.** Every spring. Bruce D. Kohorn.

Focuses on the structure and function of cells as we have come to know them through the interpretation of direct observations and experimental results. Emphasis is on the scientific (thought) processes that have allowed us to understand what we know today, emphasizing the use of genetic, biochemical, and optical analysis to understand fundamental biological processes. Covers details of the organization and expression of genetic information, and the biosynthesis, sorting, and function of cellular components within the cell. Concludes with examples of how cells perceive signals from other cells within cell populations, tissues, organisms, and the environment. Three hours of lab each week. (Same as Chemistry 231.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109. Chemistry 225 is recommended.

225a - MCSR, INS. **Community, Ecosystem, and Global Change Ecology.** Fall 2009. John Lichter.

Community ecology is the study of dynamic patterns in the distribution and abundance of organisms. Ecosystem ecology is the study of the flow of energy and cycling of matter through ecological communities. Global change ecology examines how human activities alter communities and ecosystems and how these changes play out at the global scale. Topics include the creation and maintenance of biodiversity, the complexity of species interactions in food webs, the role of disturbance in ecological processes, the importance of biodiversity in ecosystem processes, and human influences on global biogeochemical cycles and climate change. Laboratory sessions consist of local field trips, team research exercises, and independent field research projects. Current and classic scientific literature is discussed weekly. (Same as Environmental Studies 225.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.


Focuses on the chemistry of living organisms. Topics include structure, conformation, and properties of the major classes of biomolecules (proteins, nucleic acids, carbohydrates, and lipids); enzyme mechanisms, kinetics, and regulation; metabolic transformations; energetics and metabolic control. (Same as Chemistry 232.)

Prerequisite: Chemistry 226.

253a. **Neurophysiology.** Every fall. Patsy S. Dickinson.

A comparative study of the function of the nervous system in invertebrate and vertebrate animals. Topics include the physiology of individual nerve cells and their organization into larger functional units, the behavioral responses of animals to cues from the environment, and the neural mechanisms underlying such behaviors. Lectures and four hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109, and Biology 213, 214, or Psychology 218.
254a - MCSR, INS. Biomechanics. Spring 2009. AMY S. JOHNSON.

Examines the quantitative and qualitative characterization of organismal morphology, and explores the relationship of morphology to measurable components of an organism’s mechanical, hydrodynamic, and ecological environment. Lectures, labs, field trips, and individual research projects emphasize (1) analysis of morphology, including analyses of the shape of individual organisms as well as of the mechanical and molecular organization of their tissues; (2) characterization of water flow associated with organisms; and (3) analyses of the ecological and mechanical consequences to organisms of their interaction with their environment. Introductory physics and calculus are strongly recommended.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109, or one 100-level course in chemistry, geology, mathematics, or physics.

257a. Immunology. Fall 2008. ANNE E. MCBRIDE.

Covers the development of the immune response, the cell biology of the immune system, the nature of antigens, antibodies, B and T cells, and the complement system. The nature of natural immunity, transplantation immunology, and tumor immunology are also considered.

Prerequisite: Biology 212, 217, 218, or 224 (same as Chemistry 231), or permission of the instructor.

258a. Ornithology. Spring 2010. NATHANIEL T. WHEELWRIGHT.

Advanced study of the biology of birds, including anatomy, physiology, distribution, and systematics, with an emphasis on avian ecology and evolution. Through integrated laboratory sessions, field trips, discussion of the primary literature, and independent research, students learn identification of birds, functional morphology, and research techniques such as experimental design, behavioral observation, and field methods. Optional field trip to the Bowdoin Scientific Station on Kent Island.

Prerequisite: Biology 215 (same as Environmental Studies 215) or 225 (same as Environmental Studies 225).

263a - MCSR, INS. Laboratory in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry. Every spring. KATHERINE R. FARNHAM and PETER J. WOODRUFF.

Comprehensive laboratory course in molecular biology and biochemistry that reflects how research is conducted and communicated. Includes sequential weekly experiments, resulting in a cohesive, semester-long research project. Begins with genetic engineering to produce a recombinant protein, continues with its purification, and finishes with functional and structural characterization. Emphasis is on cloning strategy, controlling protein expression, and protein characterization using techniques such as polymerase chain reaction, affinity chromatography, isoelectric focusing, and high-performance liquid chromatography. Students also learn to manipulate data using structural and image analysis software. (Same as Chemistry 263.)

Prerequisite: Previous credit or concurrent registration in Biology 224 (same as Chemistry 231).

266a. Molecular Neurobiology. Every spring. HADLEY WILSON HORCH.

Examination of the molecular control of neuronal structure and function. Topics include the molecular basis of neuronal excitability, the factors involved in chemical and contact-mediated neuronal communication, and the complex molecular control of developing and regenerating nervous systems. Weekly laboratories complement lectures by covering a range of molecular and cellular techniques used in neurobiology and culminate in brief independent projects.

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109, and one of the following: Biology 212, 213, 224 (same as Chemistry 231), 253, or Psychology 218.
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Plants can be found growing under remarkably stressful conditions. Even your own backyard poses challenges to plant growth and reproduction. Survival is possible only because of a diverse suite of elegant physiological and morphological adaptations. The physiological ecology of plants from extreme habitats (e.g., tundra, desert, hypersaline) is discussed, along with the responses of plants to environmental factors such as light and temperature. Readings from the primary literature facilitate class discussion. Excursions into the field and laboratory exercises complement class material. (Same as Environmental Studies 280.)

Prerequisite: Biology 210, 225, or 327.


Seminar exploring the numerous roles of ribonucleic acid, from the discovery of RNA as a cellular messenger to the development of RNAs to treat disease. Topics covered also include RNA enzymes, interactions of RNA viruses with host cells, RNA tools in biotechnology, and RNA as a potential origin of life. Focuses on discussions of papers from the primary literature.

Prerequisite: Biology 212, 218, 224, or 232, or permission of the instructor.


Advanced seminar investigating the synergistic but complex interface between the fields of developmental and evolutionary biology. Topics include the evolution of novel structures, developmental constraints to evolution, evolution of developmental gene regulation, and the generation of variation. Readings and discussions from the primary scientific literature.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Biology 216, 217, 218, 224 (same as Chemistry 231), 266, or permission of the instructor.


The dynamics of evolutionary change at the molecular level are examined. Topics include neutral theory of molecular evolution, rates and patterns of change in nucleotide sequences and proteins, molecular phylogenetics, and genome evolution. Students read and discuss papers from the scientific literature, and complete independent projects in the laboratory.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Biology 212, 216, 217, 218, or 224 (same as Chemistry 231), or permission of the instructor.


An advanced seminar focusing on one or more aspects of neuroscience, such as neuronal regeneration and development, modulation of neuronal activity, or the neural basis of behavior. Students read and discuss original papers from the literature.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Biology 213, 253, 266, or Psychology 275 or 276.


Human activities over the last several centuries have transformed landscapes, altered biogeochemical cycles, and moved species from one continent to another. These changes have resulted in widespread species extinction and climate change. Emphasis is on the implications of ecosystem degradation, climate change, and species introductions for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Course consists of lectures and student-led discussions of current and classic primary literature. (Same as Environmental Studies 327.)

Prerequisite: Biology 158 (same as Chemistry 105 [formerly Chemistry 180] and Environmental Studies 201), 215, or 219.

The consequences of neuronal damage in humans, especially in the brain and spinal cord, are frequently devastating and permanent. Invertebrates, on the other hand, are often capable of complete functional regeneration. This course examines the varied responses to neuronal injury in a range of species. Topics include neuronal regeneration in planaria, insects, amphibians, and mammals. Students read and discuss original papers from the literature in an attempt to understand the basis of the radically different regenerative responses mounted by a variety of neuronal systems.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Biology 212, 213, 217, 224 (same as Chemistry 231), 253, 266, or Psychology 275 or 276, or permission of the instructor.


An exploration of the multiple ways cells have evolved to transmit signals from their external environment to cause alterations in cell architecture, physiology, and gene expression. Examples are drawn from both single-cell and multi-cellular organisms, including bacteria, fungi, algae, land plants, insects, worms, and mammals. Emphasis is on the primary literature, with directed discussion and some background introductory remarks for each class.

Prerequisite: Biology 224 (same as Chemistry 231) or permission of the instructor.


Explores the biology of microorganisms implicated in new and recurrent infectious diseases. Topics include microbial growth and reproductive strategies, pathogen-host interactions, and vaccination strategies. Focuses on analysis of papers from the primary literature and scientific writing and oral presentation skills. Students also act as science mentors in Biology 67 for group discussions and final projects.

Prerequisite: Biology 212, 218, or 224 (same as Chemistry 231), or permission of the instructor.


Merrymeeting Bay, a globally rare, inland freshwater river delta and estuary that supports productive and diverse biological communities, is home to numerous rare and endangered species and is critical habitat for migratory and resident waterfowl, as well as anadromous fish. Explores the ecology and environmental history of Merrymeeting Bay in order to understand how its rare natural habitats might best be managed. Students participate in a thorough review of the scientific and historical literature related to Merrymeeting Bay, and help plan, conduct, and analyze a group study investigating some aspect of the ecology and/or environmental history of the bay, with the intent of submitting a manuscript for publication in an appropriate scientific journal. (Same as Environmental Studies 394.)

Prerequisite: Biology 158 (same as Chemistry 105 [formerly Chemistry 180] and Environmental Studies 201) or 215 (same as Environmental Studies 215).


Exploration of advanced concepts in ecology and evolutionary biology, and the natural history of plants, animals, and ecosystems in winter in Maine. Structured around group research projects in the field. Each week, field trips focus on a different study site, set of questions, and taxon (e.g., host specificity in wood fungi, foraging behavior of aquatic insects, estimation of mammal population densities, winter flocking behavior in birds). Students learn to identify local winter flora and fauna, evaluate readings from the primary literature, analyze data from field research projects, and present their results each week in a research seminar. Field trip to the Bowdoin Scientific Station on Kent Island. (Same as Environmental Studies 397.)

Prerequisite: Biology 215 or 258, or permission of the instructor.

401a–404a. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Biology. The Department.
Chemistry

Professors: Richard D. Broene, *Chair*; Ronald L. Christensen, Jeffrey K. Nagle, Elizabeth A. Stemmler

Joint Appointments with Biochemistry: Professor Daniel J. O’Leary, Assistant Professor Danielle H. Dube

Joint Appointment with Environmental Studies: Associate Professor Dharni Vasudevan

Assistant Professor: Laura F. Voss

Director of Laboratories: Judith C. Foster

Laboratory Support Manager: Rene L. Bernier

Laboratory Instructors: Martha B. Black, Beverly G. DeCoster, Colleen T. McKenna, Paulette M. Messier

Department Coordinator: Jocelyn M. Lloyd

Requirements for the Major in Chemistry

The required courses are *Chemistry 109, 210, 225, 240, 251, 252, and 205 or 226*; and any two upper-level electives, including *Chemistry 232* and courses at the 300 level or above. Students who have completed a rigorous secondary school chemistry course should begin with *Chemistry 109.* *Chemistry 101* is a course intended for students who have had limited preparation for college chemistry. First-year students must take the chemistry placement exam to ensure proper placement in *101, 109,* or above. In addition to these chemistry courses, chemistry majors also are required to take *Physics 103 and 104,* and *Mathematics 161 and 171.*

The chemistry major can serve as preparation for many career paths after college, including the profession of chemistry, graduate studies in the sciences, medicine, secondary school teaching, and many fields in the business world. The department offers programs based on the interests and goals of the student; therefore, a prospective major should discuss his or her plans with the department as soon as possible. Regardless of career goals, students are encouraged to develop their critical thinking and problem-solving skills by participating in a collaborative student-faculty research project (*Chemistry 291–294, 401–404,* or summer research).

The department also offers an American Chemical Society-certified major in chemistry. The requirements for certification are met by taking advanced electives in chemistry — *Chemistry 232, 310,* and *340,* two semesters of laboratory-based independent study; and *Mathematics 181.* Students interested in this certification program should consult with the department.

The department encourages its students to round out the chemistry major with relevant courses in other departments, depending on individual needs. These might include electives in other departments that provide extensive opportunities for writing and speaking, or courses concerned with technology and society. Students interested in providing a particular interdisciplinary emphasis to their chemistry major should consider additional courses in biology and biochemistry, computer science, economics, education, geology, mathematics, or physics.

Independent Study

Students may engage in independent study at the intermediate (*291–294*) or advanced (*401–404*) level.
Interdisciplinary Majors
The department participates in interdisciplinary programs in biochemistry, chemical physics, environmental studies, and geology and chemistry. See pages 80, 132, 204, and 207.

Requirements for the Minor in Chemistry
The minor consists of five chemistry courses at or above the 100 level. One AP chemistry credit may be counted as one of the five required chemistry courses. Biochemistry majors may not minor in chemistry.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses
[50a - INS. Topics in Chemistry.]

55a - INS. Science of Food and Wine. Spring 2009. RICHARD D. BROENE AND BARRY A. LOGAN.
Methods of food and wine preparation and production emerged from essentially controlled scientific experiments, even if the techniques of cooking are often carried out without thought of the underlying physical processes at play. Considers the science behind food and wine using bread baking, cooking techniques, the role of microbes in our diet, and wine making and appreciation to explore the chemistry and biology that underlie our gastronomy. Molecular structures and complex interactions central to cooking and wine are examined in integrated laboratory exercises. Assumes no background in science. Not open to students who have taken a college-level chemistry course. (Same as Biology 55.)

A study of scientific principles that underlie chemical, instrumental, and some biological techniques used in criminal investigations by forensic scientists. Focuses on understanding materials at an atomic or molecular level to learn how forensic chemistry is used to make qualitative and quantitative measurements key to forensic investigations. Makes use of case studies and the study of specific chemical, physical, and spectroscopic techniques used in forensic investigations. Presumes no background in science. Not open to students who have taken a college-level chemistry course. Students will take part in three to four laboratory experiences.

[57a - INS. Chemistry of Poisons.]

101a - INS. Introductory Chemistry. Every fall. JEFFREY K. NAGLE.
A first course in a two-semester introductory college chemistry program. An introduction to the states of matter and their properties, the mole concept and stoichiometry, and selected properties of the elements. Lectures, conferences, and four hours of laboratory work per week. To ensure proper placement, students must take the chemistry placement examination prior to registering for Chemistry 101.

105a - MCSR, INS. Perspectives in Environmental Science. Every spring. Spring 2009. JOHN LICHTER AND DHARNI VASUDEVAN.
Functioning of the earth system is defined by the complex and fascinating interaction of processes within and between four principal spheres: land, air, water, and life. Leverages key principles of environmental chemistry and ecology to unravel the intricate connectedness of natural phenomena and ecosystem function. Fundamental biological and chemical concepts
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are used to understand the science behind the environmental dilemmas facing societies as a consequence of human activities. Laboratory sessions consist of local field trips, laboratory experiments, group research, case study exercises, and discussions of current and classic scientific literature. (Same as Biology 158 and Environmental Studies 201.)

Prerequisite: One 100-level or higher course in biology, chemistry, geology, or physics.

Introduction to models for chemical bonding and intermolecular forces; characterization of systems at equilibrium and spontaneous processes, including oxidation and reduction; and the rates of chemical reactions. Lectures, conferences, and four hours of laboratory work per week. To ensure proper placement, students must take the chemistry placement examination prior to registering for Chemistry 109.
Prerequisite: One year of high school chemistry with laboratory or Chemistry 101.

205a - INS. Environmental Chemistry. Spring 2009. DHARNI VAISDEVAN.
Focuses on two key processes that influence human and wildlife exposure to potentially harmful substances—chemical speciation and transformation. Equilibrium principles as applied to acid-base, complexation, precipitation, and dissolution reactions are used to explore organic and inorganic compound speciation in natural and polluted waters; quantitative approaches are emphasized. The kinetics and mechanisms of organic compound transformation via hydrolysis, oxidation, reduction, and photochemical reactions are examined; environmental conditions and chemical structural criteria that influence reactivity are emphasized. Weekly laboratory sections are concerned with the detection and quantification of organic and inorganic compounds in air, water, and soils/sediments. (Same as Environmental Studies 205 and Geology 205.)
Prerequisite: Chemistry 109.

210a - MCSR, INS. Quantitative Analysis. Every fall. ELIZABETH A. STEMMLER.
Methods of separating and quantifying inorganic and organic compounds using volumetric, spectrophotometric, electrometric, and chromatographic techniques are covered. Chemical equilibria and the statistical analysis of data are addressed. Lectures and four hours of laboratory work per week.
Prerequisite: Chemistry 109.

Introduction to the chemistry of the compounds of carbon. Provides the foundation for further work in organic chemistry and biochemistry. Lectures, conference, and four hours of laboratory work per week.
Prerequisite: Chemistry 109.

226a. Organic Chemistry II. Every spring. RICHARD D. BROENE AND DANIEL J. O’LEARY.
Continuation of the study of the compounds of carbon. Chemistry 225 and 226 cover the material of the usual course in organic chemistry and form a foundation for further work in organic chemistry and biochemistry. Lectures, conference, and four hours of laboratory work per week.
Prerequisite: Chemistry 225.

231a - MCSR, INS. Biochemistry and Cell Biology. Every spring. BRUCE KOHORN.
Focuses on the structure and function of cells as we have come to know them through the interpretation of direct observations and experimental results. Emphasis is on the scientific (thought) processes that have allowed us to understand what we know today, emphasizing the use of genetic, biochemical, and optical analysis to understand fundamental biological
processes. Covers details of the organization and expression of genetic information, and the biosynthesis, sorting, and function of cellular components within the cell. Concludes with examples of how cells perceive signals from other cells within cell populations, tissues, organisms, and the environment. Three hours of lab each week. (Same as Biology 224.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109. Chemistry 225 is recommended.

232a - MCSR. Biochemistry. Fall 2008. DANIELLE H. DUBE.

Focuses on the chemistry of living organisms. Topics include structure, conformation, and properties of the major classes of biomolecules (proteins, nucleic acids, carbohydrates, and lipids); enzyme mechanisms, kinetics, and regulation; metabolic transformations; energetics and metabolic control. (Same as Biology 232.)

Prerequisite: Chemistry 226.

240a - MCSR, INS. Inorganic Chemistry. Every spring. JEFFREY K. NAGLE.

An introduction to the chemistry of the elements with a focus on chemical bonding, periodic properties, and coordination compounds. Topics in solid state, bioinorganic, and environmental inorganic chemistry also are included. Provides a foundation for further work in chemistry and biochemistry. Lectures and four hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 109.

251a - MCSR, INS. Physical Chemistry I. Every fall. LAURA F. VOSS.

Thermodynamics and its application to chemical changes and equilibria that occur in the gaseous, solid, and liquid states. The behavior of systems at equilibrium and chemical kinetics are related to molecular properties by means of statistical mechanics and the laws of thermodynamics. Lectures and four hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 109, Mathematics 171, and Physics 104, or permission of the instructor. Mathematics 181 is recommended.

252a - MCSR, INS. Physical Chemistry II. Every spring. RONALD L. CHRISTENSEN.

Development and principles of quantum mechanics with applications to atomic structure, chemical bonding, chemical reactivity, and molecular spectroscopy. Lectures and four hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 109, Mathematics 171, and Physics 104, or permission of the instructor. Mathematics 181 is recommended.

Note: Chemistry 251 is not a prerequisite for Chemistry 252.

263a - MCSR, INS. Laboratory in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry. Every spring. KATHERINE R. FARNHAM and PETER J. WOODRUFF.

Comprehensive laboratory course in molecular biology and biochemistry that reflects how research is conducted and communicated. Includes sequential weekly experiments, resulting in a cohesive, semester-long research project. Begins with genetic engineering to produce a recombinant protein, continues with its purification, and finishes with functional and structural characterization. Emphasis is on cloning strategy, controlling protein expression, and protein characterization using techniques such as polymerase chain reaction, affinity chromatography, isoelectric focusing, and high-performance liquid chromatography. Students also learn to manipulate data using structural and image analysis software. (Same as Biology 263.)

Prerequisite: Previous credit or concurrent registration in Biology 224 (same as Chemistry 231).

291a–294a. Intermediate Independent Study in Chemistry. THE DEPARTMENT.

Laboratory or literature-based investigation of a topic in chemistry. Topics are determined by the student and a supervising faculty member. Designed for students who have not completed at least four of the 200-level courses required for the chemistry major.
[305a. Environmental Fate of Organic Chemicals. (Same as Environmental Studies 305.)]


Theoretical and practical aspects of instrumental techniques, including nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy, infrared spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy, and mass spectrometry are covered, in conjunction with advanced chromatographic methods. Applications of instrumental techniques to the analysis of biological and environmental samples are covered. Lectures and two hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 210 or permission of the instructor.


Theory and applications of spectroscopic techniques useful for the determination of organic structures. Mass spectrometry and infrared, ultraviolet-visible, and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy are discussed. Heavy emphasis is placed on applications of multiple-pulse, Fourier transform NMR spectroscopic techniques. Lectures and at least two hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 226.


The power of organic synthesis has had a tremendous impact on our understanding of biological systems. Examines case studies in which synthetically derived small molecules have been used as tools to tease out answers to questions of biological significance. Topics include synthetic strategies that have been used to make derivatives of the major classes of biomolecules (nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates, and lipids), and the experimental breakthroughs these molecules have enabled (e.g., polymerase-chain reaction, DNA sequencing, microarray technology). Emphasis is on current literature, experimental design, and critical review of manuscripts.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 226 and 232 (same as Biology 232). Chemistry 231 is strongly recommended.


An in-depth coverage of inorganic chemistry. Spectroscopic and mechanistic studies of coordination and organometallic compounds, including applications to bioinorganic chemistry, are emphasized. Symmetry and applications of group theory are included.

Prerequisite: Chemistry 240 or permission of the instructor. Chemistry 252 is recommended.

401a–404a. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Chemistry. The Department.

Advanced version of Chemistry 291–294. Students are expected to demonstrate a higher level of ownership of their research problem and to have completed at least four of the 200-level courses required for the major.
The Department of Classics offers three major programs: one with a focus on language and literature (Classics), one with a focus on classical archaeology (Classical Archaeology), and one that looks at the ancient world from multiple perspectives (Classical Studies). Students pursuing these majors are encouraged to study not only the languages and literatures but also the physical monuments of Greece and Rome. This approach is reflected in the requirements for the three major programs: for all, requirements in Greek and/or Latin and in classical culture must be fulfilled. Courses in which a grade below C- is earned may not be used to fulfill the requirements for any of the programs offered by the department. Courses taken with the Credit/D/F grading option also may not be used to fulfill the requirements for any of the programs offered by the department.

Classics

The classics program is arranged to accommodate both those students who have studied no classical languages and those who have had extensive training in Latin and Greek. The objective of Greek and Latin courses is to study the ancient languages and literatures in the original. By their very nature, these courses involve students in the politics, history, and philosophies of antiquity. Advanced language courses focus on the analysis of textual material and on literary criticism.

Requirements for the Major in Classics

The major in classics consists of ten courses. At least six of the ten courses are to be chosen from offerings in Greek and Latin and should include at least two courses in Greek or Latin at the 300 level. Of the remaining courses, one should be chosen from **Archaeology 101** or **102**, one should be chosen from **Classics 101** or **102**, and one should be chosen from **Classics 211** or **212**. Of the courses a student wishes to count towards the major, at least one at the 300 level should be taken during the senior year. Students concentrating in one of the languages are encouraged to take at least two courses in the other. As a capstone to this major, a research seminar taken in the junior or senior year is required; a research seminar is one in which a substantial research project is undertaken and successfully completed. Courses so designated are identified in the course descriptions below.

Classical Archaeology

Within the broader context of classical studies, the classical archaeology program pays special attention to the physical remains of classical antiquity. Students studying classical archaeology should develop an understanding of how archaeological evidence can contribute to our knowledge of the past, and of how archaeological study interacts with such related disciplines as philology, history, and art history. In particular, they should acquire an appreciation for the unique balance of written and physical sources that makes classical archaeology a central part of classical studies.
Requirements for the Major in Classical Archaeology

The major in classical archaeology consists of ten courses. At least five of the ten courses are to be chosen from offerings in archaeology, and should include Archaeology 101, 102, and at least one archaeology course at the 300 level. At least four of the remaining courses are to be chosen from offerings in Greek or Latin, and should include at least one at the 300 level. As a capstone to this major, a research seminar taken in the junior or senior year is required; a research seminar is one in which a substantial research project is undertaken and successfully completed. Courses so designated are identified in the course descriptions below.

Classical Studies

The classical studies major provides a useful foundation for students who seek a multi-disciplinary view of the ancient world. The major combines coursework in an ancient language (Greek or Latin) with courses that explore the culture, history, and traditions of the ancient Mediterranean.

Requirements for the Major in Classical Studies

The major in classical studies consists of ten courses. At least eight courses must be selected from within the department. A minimum of two courses should be elected in a single ancient language (Greek or Latin). The appropriate level depends on the student’s preparation and is determined by the department. The remaining classes should include Classics 101, 102, 211, and 212; at least one course in classical archaeology; at least one and not more than two classes outside the Department of Classics and chosen from the following (or from other appropriate offerings in these disciplines, with classics department approval): Anthropology 102 or 221; Art History 213 or 215; Government 240; Philosophy 111; Religion 106, 215, or 216; English/Theater 106; and at least two advanced courses in the department at the 300 level, one of which must be a designated research seminar. As a capstone to this major, a research seminar taken in the junior or senior year is required; a research seminar is one in which a substantial research project is undertaken and successfully completed. Courses so designated are identified in the course descriptions below.

Interdisciplinary Major

The department participates in an interdisciplinary program in archaeology and art history. See page 203.

Requirements for the Minor

Students may choose a minor in one of five areas:

1. Greek: Five courses in the department, including at least four in the Greek language;
2. Latin: Five courses in the department, including at least four in the Latin language;
3. Classics: Five courses in the department, including at least four in the classical languages; of these four, one should be either Greek 204 or Latin 205 or 206;
4. Archaeology: Six courses in the department, including either Archaeology 101 or 102, one archaeology course at the 300 level, and two other archaeology courses;
5. Classical Studies (Greek or Roman): Six courses, including:
   a. —for the Greek studies concentration: two courses in the Greek language; Archaeology 101; one of the following: Classics 17 (or any other appropriate first-year seminar), Classics 101, 102, or 211; or Philosophy 111; or Government 240; and two of the following: Archaeology 203 or any 300-level archaeology
course focusing primarily on Greek material; **Classics 291–294** (Independent Study) or any 200- or 300-level Greek or classics course focusing primarily on Greek material.

b. *—for the Roman studies concentration:* two courses in the Latin language; **Archaeology 102**; one of the following: **Classics 16** (or any other appropriate first-year seminar), **Classics 101, 102**, or **212**; or **Philosophy 111**; or **Government 240**; and two of the following: **Archaeology 204** or any 300-level archaeology course focusing primarily on Roman material; or **Classics 291–294** (Independent Study) or any 200- or 300-level Latin or classics course focusing primarily on Roman material.

Other courses in the Bowdoin curriculum may be applied to this minor if approved by the classics department.

**Classics and Archaeology at Bowdoin and Abroad**

Archeology classes regularly use the outstanding collection of ancient art in the Bowdoin College Museum of Art. Of special note are the exceptionally fine holdings in Greek painted pottery and the very full and continuous survey of Greek and Roman coins. In addition, there are numerous opportunities for study or work abroad. Bowdoin is a participating member of the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome, where students majoring in classics and classical archaeology can study in the junior year (see page 48). It is also possible to receive course credit for field experience on excavations. Interested students should consult members of the department for further information.

Students contemplating graduate study in classics or classical archaeology are advised to begin the study of at least one modern language in college, as most graduate programs require competence in French and German as well as in Latin and Greek.

**ARCHAEOLOGY**

**Archaeology 101** and **102** are offered in alternate years.

**101c. Introduction to Greek Archaeology.** Fall 2009. **RyAn RiciARDi.**

Introduces the techniques and methods of classical archaeology as revealed through an examination of Greek material culture. Emphasis upon the major monuments and artifacts of the Greek world from prehistory to the Hellenistic age. Architecture, sculpture, fresco painting, and other “minor arts” are examined at such sites as Knossos, Mycenae, Athens, Delphi, and Olympia. Considers the nature of this archaeological evidence and the relationship of classical archaeology to other disciplines such as art history, history, and classics. Assigned reading supplements illustrated presentations of the major archaeological finds of the Greek world. (Same as **Art History 209**.)

**102c. Introduction to Roman Archaeology.** Fall 2008. **RyAn RiciARDi.**

Surveys the material culture of Roman society, from Italy’s prehistory and the origins of the Roman state through its development into a cosmopolitan empire, and concludes with the fundamental reorganization during the late third and early fourth centuries of our era. Lectures explore ancient sites such as Rome, Pompeii, Athens, Ephesus, and others around
the Mediterranean. Emphasis upon the major monuments and artifacts of the Roman era: architecture, sculpture, fresco painting, and other “minor arts.” Considers the nature of this archaeological evidence and the relationship of classical archaeology to other disciplines such as art history, history, and classics. Assigned reading supplements illustrated presentations of the major archaeological finds of the Roman world. (Same as Art History 210.)

[206c. Hispania Antiqua: The Art and Archaeology of Ancient Spain.]

[207c, d - IP. Who Owns the Past? The Roles of Museums in Preserving and Presenting Culture. (Same as Anthropology 205.)]

208c. The Archaeology of Troy. Spring 2009. RYAN RICCIARDI.

The city of Troy acts as the backdrop for the three greatest epics of the ancient world, Homer’s Iliad and Odyssey, and Virgil’s Aeneid. Examines the physical remains of Troy and investigates the problems associated with the archaeology of Aegean prehistory using literary, historical, and archaeological evidence. Also looks at the role that Troy and the Trojan legends played during the height of Greek and Roman power and the continuing legacy of Troy in the modern world.

At least one 300-level archaeology course is offered each year. Topics and/or periods recently taught on this level include the Greek Bronze Age, Etruscan art and archaeology, Greek and Roman numismatics, and Pompeii and the cities of Vesuvius. The 300-level courses currently scheduled are:

[302c. Ancient Numismatics.]

[304c. Pompeii and the Cities of Vesuvius.]

[305c - ESD, IP. Etruscan Art and Archaeology.]


The city of Rome contains iconic monuments, testaments to the power of the state and its individual rulers. Within the capital city, the two square kilometers of the Campus Martius contain of some of the most innovative contributions to the history of urban planning and Roman architecture. Focuses on the development of the region from its pre-Roman days as a low-lying flood plain of the Tiber river to its designation as the Jewish ghetto in the Renaissance period. Examines what it means to be urban or suburban in the Roman world by considering the liminal role of the Campus Martius in the definition of Rome as a city.

Prerequisite: One 100- or 200-level course in archaeology, or permission of the instructor.

CLASSICS

First-Year Seminar
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

[16c. Cultural Connections in the Ancient Mediterranean.]

17c. The Heroic Age: Ancient Supermen and Wonder Women. Fall 2008. MICHAELE. NERDAHL.
Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

Classics 101 and 102 are offered in alternate years.

Focuses on the mythology of the Greeks and the use of myth in classical literature. Other topics considered are recurrent patterns and motifs in Greek myths; a cross-cultural study of ancient creation myths; the relation of mythology to religion; women’s roles in myth; and the application of modern anthropological, sociological, and psychological theories to classical myth. Concludes with an examination of Ovid’s use of classical mythology in the *Metamorphoses.*

102c - ESD, IP. Introduction to Ancient Greek Culture. Spring 2009. Michael NerdaHL.
Introduces students to the study of the literature and culture of ancient Greece. Examines different Greek responses to issues such as religion and the role of gods in human existence, heroism, the natural world, the individual and society, and competition. Considers forms of Greek rationalism, the flourishing of various literary and artistic media, Greek experimentation with different political systems, and concepts of Hellenism and barbarism. Investigates not only what we do and do not know about ancient Greece, but also the types of evidence and methodologies with which we construct this knowledge. Evidence is drawn primarily from the works of authors such as Homer, Sappho, Herodotus, Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Thucydides, Aristophanes, Plato, and Hippocrates, but attention is also given to documentary and artistic sources. All readings are done in translation.

Surveys the history of Greek-speaking peoples from the Bronze Age (c. 3000–1100 B.C.E.) to the death of Alexander the Great in 323 B.C.E. Traces the political, economic, social, religious, and cultural developments of the Greeks in the broader context of the Mediterranean world. Topics include the institution of the *polis* (city-state); hoplite warfare; Greek colonization; the origins of Greek “science,” philosophy, and rhetoric; and fifth-century Athenian democracy and imperialism. Necessarily focuses on Athens and Sparta, but attention is also given to the variety of social and political structures found in different Greek communities. Special attention is given to examining and attempting to understand the distinctively Greek outlook in regard to gender, the relationship between human and divine, freedom, and the divisions between Greeks and barbarians (non-Greeks). A variety of sources—literary, epigraphical, archaeological—are presented, and students learn how to use them as historical documents. (Same as History 201.)

Surveys the history of Rome from its beginnings to the fourth century A.D. Considers the political, economic, religious, social, and cultural developments of the Romans in the context of Rome’s growth from a small settlement in central Italy to the dominant power in the Mediterranean world. Special attention is given to such topics as urbanism, imperialism, the influence of Greek culture and law, and multi-culturalism. Introduces different types of sources—literary, epigraphical, archaeological, etc.—for use as historical documents. (Same as History 202.)

[222c - ESD, IP. Artisans, Artistry, and Manual Labor in Ancient Greece.]
The American political landscape has been painted (by the pundits at least) in two contrasting colors: Blue and Red. These “states of mind” have become strongly associated with particular spatial differences as well: Urban and Rural, respectively. Examines the various ways in which Roman culture dealt with a similar divide at different times in its history. Explores the manner in which “urban” and “rural” are represented in Roman literature and visual arts, and how and why these representations changed over time. Studies depictions of the city and the country in sources as varied as Roman painting, sculpture, and architecture, as well as Roman authors such as Varro, Vergil, Horace, Pliny and Juvenal. Authors such as Henry David Thoreau, Max Weber, Jane Jacobs and Wendell Berry are read as modern analogues and as points of comparison. Analyzes how attitudes towards class, status, gender and ethnicity, in both ancient Rome and modern America, have historically manifested themselves in location, movement, consumption, and production. Challenges our modern urban vs. rural polarity by looking at a similar phenomenon within the context of Roman history. (Same as History 214.)

Examines the development and character of tragedy and comedy in ancient Greece. Topics include the dramatic festivals of Athens; the nature of Greek theaters and theatrical production; the structure and style of tragic and comic plays; tragic and comic heroism; gender, religion, and myth in drama; the relationship of tragedy and comedy to the political and social dynamics of ancient Athens. Some attention will be paid to the theory of tragedy and to the legacy of Greek drama. Authors include Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, and Aristophanes. Includes a performance component.

GREEK

Introduces students to basic elements of ancient Greek grammar and syntax; emphasizes the development of reading proficiency and includes readings, both adapted and in the original, of various Greek authors. Focuses on Attic dialect.

A continuation of Greek 101; introduces students to more complex grammar and syntax, while emphasizing the development of reading proficiency. Includes readings, both adapted and in the original, of Greek authors such as Plato and Euripides. Focuses on Attic dialect.

A review of the essentials of Greek grammar and syntax and an introduction to the reading of Greek prose and sometimes poetry. Materials to be read change from year to year, but always include a major prose work. Equivalent of Greek 102 or two to three years of high school Greek is required.

An introduction to the poetry of Homer. Focuses both on reading and on interpreting Homeric epic.
At least one advanced Greek course is offered each year. The aim of each of these courses is to give students the opportunity for sustained reading and discussion of at least one major author or genre representative of classical Greek literature. Primary focus is on the texts, with serious attention given as well both to the historical context from which these works emerged and to contemporary discussions and debates concerning these works.

Department faculty generally attempt to schedule offerings in response to the needs and interests of concentrators. Topics and/or authors frequently taught on this level include Greek lyric and elegiac poetry; Homer’s *Odyssey*; Greek drama (including the tragedies of Aeschylus, Sophocles, and Euripides, and the comedies of Aristophanes and Menander); Greek history (including Herodotus and Thucydides); Greek philosophy (including Plato and Aristotle); Greek rhetoric and oratory; and the literature of the Alexandrian era. The 300-level course to be offered in 2008–2009 is to be determined by consultation with Professor Kosak.


**LATIN**


A thorough presentation of the elements of Latin grammar. Emphasis is placed on achieving a reading proficiency.


A continuation of Latin 101. During this term, readings are based on unaltered passages of classical Latin.


A review of the essentials of Latin grammar and syntax and an introduction to the reading of Latin prose and poetry. Materials to be read change from year to year, but always include a major prose work. Equivalent of Latin 102 or two to three years of high school Latin is required.


An introduction to different genres and themes in Latin literature. The subject matter and authors covered may change from year to year (e.g., selections from Virgil’s *Aeneid* and Livy’s *History*, or from Lucretius, Ovid, and Cicero), but attention is always given to the historical and literary context of the authors read. While the primary focus is on reading Latin texts, some readings from Latin literature in translation are also assigned. Equivalent of Latin 203 or three to four years of high school Latin is required.


An introduction to the content, genres, and style of the greatest writers of Latin prose (including speeches, rhetorical and philosophical works, and historical texts). Authors to be read may include Cicero, Sallust, Livy, Tacitus, or Suetonius. Equivalent of Latin 204 or four or more years of high school Latin is required.

206c. Roman Comedy. Every other year. Fall 2009. The Department.

An introduction to the earliest complete texts that survive from Latin antiquity, the plays of Plautus and Terence. One or two plays are read in Latin, and several others in English translation. Students are introduced to modern scholarship on the history and interpretation
of Roman theater. Equivalent of Latin 204 or four or more years of high school Latin is required.

One advanced Latin course is offered each semester. The aim of each of these courses is to give students the opportunity for sustained reading and discussion of at least one major author or genre representative of classical Latin literature. Primary focus is on the texts, with serious attention given as well both to the historical context from which these works emerged and to contemporary discussions and debates concerning these works.

Department faculty generally attempt to schedule offerings in response to the needs and interests of concentrators. Topics and/or authors frequently taught on this level include Roman history (including Sallust, Livy, and Tacitus); Ovid’s Metamorphoses; Elegiac poetry; Cicero’s oratory; Virgil’s Aeneid or Eclogues and Georgics; Roman novel (including Petronius and Apuleius); satire; and comedy (including Plautus and Terence). The 300-level courses currently scheduled are:


Students will read in Latin and analyze selections from the works of St. Augustine; attention will be paid both to Augustine’s own thinking and to the social and historical context that informs his work. Research seminar.

304c. Cicero and Roman Oratory.

305c - IP. Virgil.

309c - IP. Tacitus.

312c - IP. Roman Tragedy. Spring 2009. Michael NerdaHL.

An introduction to the plays of Seneca the Younger, philosopher and advisor to the Emperor Nero (A.D. 54–68). One or two plays will be read in Latin and will be supplemented by the reading of other tragedies, including Seneca’s Greek models, in English. This research seminar also looks at the historical context of the plays, issues concerning their performance, the social and political culture of Neronian Rome, and the influence of Seneca’s Stoic philosophy on his plays.

391c–392c. Special Topics in Latin. The Department.

391c. Didactic Poetry.

Independent Study in Archaeology, Classics, Greek, and Latin.


401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors. The Department.
The major in computer science is designed to introduce students to the two fundamental questions of the discipline: What computational tasks is a computer capable of doing? How can we design, analyze, and implement efficient algorithms to solve large, complex problems? Thus, the discipline requires thinking in both abstract and concrete terms and the major provides an opportunity for students to develop the analytical skills necessary for efficient algorithm design as well as the practical skills necessary for the implementation of those algorithms. The range of problems that can be attacked using the techniques of computer science spans many disciplines, and computer scientists often become proficient in other areas. Examples of problems that students can study in the department include cryptography and network security, geographic information systems, robotics, artificial intelligence in computer games, and planning under uncertainty. The computer science major can serve as preparation for graduate study in computer science as well as careers in teaching, research, and industry (such as financial services and Internet-related businesses).

**Requirements for the Major in Computer Science**

The major consists of eight computer science courses and three mathematics courses. The computer science portion of the major consists of an introductory course, Computer Science 101; four intermediate “core” courses (Computer Science 210, 231, 270, and 289); two 300-level elective courses; and a third elective that may be satisfied by any remaining course numbered 260 or above, or an independent study. The mathematics portion of the major consists of Mathematics 161, or the equivalent; Mathematics 200; and another mathematics course numbered 165 or higher. Prospective majors should take Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200 as soon as possible after Computer Science 101, since one or both of these courses are prerequisites for all other computer science courses.

Students, particularly those who intend to do graduate work in computer science or a related field, are encouraged to collaborate with faculty on research projects through independent studies, honors projects, and fellowship-funded summer research.

Computer science shares interests with a number of other disciplines, e.g. probability and statistics in mathematics, logic in philosophy, and cognition in psychology. In addition, computers are increasingly being used as a tool in other disciplines, including the social sciences and the humanities as well as the natural sciences. The department encourages students to explore these relationships; courses that may be of particular interest include Mathematics 165, 201, 204 (formerly Mathematics 174), 225, and 265; Philosophy 210, 223, and 233; Psychology 216 and 270; Music 218; and Visual Arts 255.

**Requirements for the Minor in Computer Science**

The minor consists of five courses: a 100-level computer science course or the equivalent, Computer Science 210, and any three additional computer science courses at the 200 level or above.
Interdisciplinary Major
The department participates in an interdisciplinary major program in computer science and mathematics. See page 204.

Fulfilling Requirements
To fulfill the major or minor requirements, or to serve as a prerequisite for another computer science course, a grade of C- or better must be earned in a course. Courses taken with the Credit/D/Fail grading option may not be used to fulfill major or minor requirements.

Introductory Courses
[50a - MCSR. Computing: Tools and Issues.]

101a - MCSR. Introduction to Computer Science. Every semester. The Department.
What is computer science, what are its applications in other disciplines, and what is its impact in society? A step-by-step introduction to the art of problem solving using the computer and the Java language. Provides a broad introduction to computer science and programming through real-life applications. Weekly labs provide experiments with the concepts presented in class. Assumes no prior knowledge of computers or programming.

Intermediate and Advanced Courses
210a - MCSR. Data Structures. Every semester. Laura Toma.
Solving complex algorithmic problems requires the use of appropriate data structures such as stacks, priority queues, search trees, dictionaries, hash tables, and graphs. It also requires the ability to measure the efficiency of operations such as sorting and searching in order to make effective choices among alternative solutions. Offers a study of data structures, their efficiency, and their use in solving computational problems. Laboratory exercises provide an opportunity to design and implement these structures.
Prerequisite: Computer Science 101 or permission of the instructor. Students interested in taking Computer Science 210 are required to pass the computer science placement examination before class starts.

231a - MCSR. Algorithms. Every fall. Laura Toma.
An introductory course on the design and analysis of algorithms building on concepts from Computer Science 210. Introduces a number of basic algorithms for a variety of problems such as searching, sorting, selection, and graph problems (e.g. spanning trees and shortest paths). Discusses analysis techniques, such as recurrences and amortization, as well as algorithm design paradigms such as divide-and-conquer, dynamic programming, and greedy algorithms.
Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.

[250a - MCSR. Principles of Programming Languages.]

[260a - MCSR. Software Design.]

Explores the principles and techniques involved in programming computers to do tasks that would require intelligence if people did them. State-space and heuristic search techniques, logic and other knowledge representations, reinforcement learning, neural networks, and other approaches are applied to a variety of problems with an emphasis on agent-based approaches.
Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.
Projects in Computer Science


Studies the nature of computation and examines the principles that determine what computational capabilities are required to solve particular classes of problems. Topics include an introduction to the connections between language theory and models of computation, and a study of unsolvable problems.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 or permission of the instructor.


Robotics is a challenging discipline that encourages students to apply theoretical ideas from a number of different areas — artificial intelligence, cognitive science, operations research — in pursuit of an exciting, practical application: programming robots to do useful tasks. Two of the biggest challenges are building effective models of the world using inaccurate and limited sensors, and using such models for efficient robotic planning and control. Addresses these problems from both a theoretical perspective (computational complexity and algorithm development) and a practical perspective (systems and human/robot interaction) through multiple programming projects involving simulated and actual robots.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.


The smooth functioning of our society increasingly depends on the flow of information through computer networks. Problems of privacy and authenticity of information have become extremely important, and cryptography is an essential tool in addressing these issues. An introduction to modern cryptography, covering topics such as block ciphers, modes of operation, private-key encryption, hash functions, digital signatures, public-key encryption, RSA, the discrete logarithm problem, public-key infrastructure, key distribution, and various applications. Emphasizes a rigorous mathematical approach including formal definitions of security goals and proofs of protocol security, and identification of weaknesses in designs.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.


In many disciplines the data being collected have spatial coordinates. Analysis of spatial data is an active area of research in computer science, with applications in areas like computer-aided design (CAD), data warehousing, network routing, and geographic information systems (GIS). Presents algorithms and data structures for problems involving spatial data, covering both their theory and their practical efficiency and scalability to large datasets. Topics include spatial database design; computational geometry, covering algorithms for computing convex hulls, Delaunay triangulations and Voronoi diagrams; line segment intersection and spatial join; data structures for orthogonal range searching; nearest-neighbor queries and window queries; techniques for dynamization of spatial data structures; clustering techniques and external memory algorithms.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.


Geographic information systems (GIS) handle geographical data such as boundaries of countries; course of rivers; height of mountains; and location of cities, roads, railways, and power lines. GIS can help determine the closest public hospital, find areas susceptible to
flooding or erosion, track the position of a car on a map, or find the shortest route from one location to another. Because GIS deal with large datasets, making it important to process data efficiently, they provide a rich source of problems in computer science. Topics covered include data representation, triangulation, range searching, point location, map overlay, meshes and quadtrees, terrain simplification, and visualization.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.

Advances in computer science, psychology, and neuroscience have shown that humans process information in ways that are very different from those used by computers. Explores the architecture and mechanisms that the human brain uses to process information. In many cases, these mechanisms are contrasted with their counterparts in traditional computer design. A central focus is to discern when the human cognitive architecture works well, when it performs poorly, and why. Conceptually oriented, drawing ideas from computer science, psychology, and neuroscience. No programming experience necessary.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Computer Science 231 or 250, Biology 214 or 253, or Psychology 270, or permission of the instructor.

Covers the fundamental concepts and techniques used to ensure secure computing and communication. Topics include cryptographic protocols, code security and exploitation (buffer overflows, race conditions, SQL injection, etc.), access control and authentication, covert channels, protocol attacks, firewalls, intrusion detection/prevention, viruses/worms and bots, spyware and phishing, denial-of-service, privacy/anonymity, and computer forensics. Provides an appreciation of the fundamental challenges in designing and implementing secure systems as well as an understanding of the base technologies and threats in today’s interconnected environment.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 or permission of the instructor.

Optimization problems and the need to cope with uncertainty arise frequently in the real world. A numeric framework, rather than the symbolic one of traditional artificial intelligence, is useful for expressing such problems. In addition to providing a way of dealing with uncertainty, this approach sometimes permits performance guarantees for algorithms. Topics include constraint satisfaction, systematic and non-systematic search techniques, probabilistic inference and planning, and population-based optimization techniques (e.g., genetic algorithms and ant colony optimization).

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 and Mathematics 200, or permission of the instructor.

Computer games are becoming an increasingly utilized test-bed for the development of new techniques in certain areas of artificial intelligence (AI) research (knowledge representation; search; planning, reasoning, and learning under uncertainty). At the same time, AI techniques are becoming increasingly necessary in commercial computer games to provide interesting and realistic synthetic characters. Explores that symbiosis by studying a subset of relevant AI techniques, using those techniques to create AI-endowed characters, and testing the characters in actual computer games.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 210 or permission of the instructor.

401a–404a. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Computer Science. The Department.
The major in economics is designed for students who wish to obtain a systematic introduction to the basic theoretical and empirical techniques of economics. It provides an opportunity to learn economics as a social science with a core of theory, to study the process of drawing inferences from bodies of data and testing hypotheses against observation, and to apply economic theory to particular social problems. Such problems include Third World economic development, the functioning of economic institutions (e.g., financial markets, labor markets, corporations, government agencies), and current policy issues (e.g., the federal budget, poverty, the environment, globalization, deregulation). The major is a useful preparation for graduate study in economics, law, business, finance or public administration.

**Requirements for the Major in Economics**

The major consists of three core courses (Economics 255, 256, and 257), two advanced topics courses numbered in the 300s, at least one of which must be designated as a seminar, and two additional courses in economics numbered 200 or above. Only one of Economics 260 and 360 may be counted toward the economics major. Because Economics 101 is a prerequisite for Economics 102, and both are prerequisites for most other economics courses, most students will begin their work in economics with these introductory courses. Prospective majors are encouraged to take at least one core course by the end of the sophomore year, and all three core courses should normally be completed by the end of the junior year. Note that Economics 255 is a prerequisite to Economics 256. Advanced topics courses normally have some combination of Economics 255, 256, and 257 as prerequisites. Qualified students may undertake self-designed, interdisciplinary major programs or joint majors between economics and related fields of social analysis.

To fulfill the major (or minor) requirements in economics, or to serve as a prerequisite for non-introductory courses, a grade of C- or better must be earned in a course. Courses required for the major must be taken on a graded basis.

All prospective majors and minors are required to complete Mathematics 161, or its equivalent, prior to enrolling in the core courses. Students who aspire to advanced work in economics (e.g., an honors thesis and/or graduate study in a discipline related to economics) are strongly encouraged to master multivariate calculus (Mathematics 181) and linear algebra (Mathematics 222) early in their careers. Such students are also encouraged to take Mathematics 265 instead of Economics 257 as a prerequisite for Economics 316. The Economics 257 requirement is waived for students who complete Mathematics 265 and Economics 316. Students should consult the Department of Economics about other mathematics courses that are essential for advanced study in economics.

**Interdisciplinary Major**

The department participates in an interdisciplinary major in mathematics and economics. See page 207.
Requirements for the Minor in Economics

The minor consists of Economics 255, and any two additional courses numbered 200 or above. Only one of Economics 260 and 360 may be counted toward the economics minor. To fulfill the minor requirements or to serve as a prerequisite for other courses, a grade of C- or better must be earned in a course. Courses required for the minor must be taken on a graded basis.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

100b. Introduction to the Economy. Spring 2009. GREGORY P. DECOSTER.

A non-technical introduction to the operation of modern capitalist economies, with a focus on the United States. Emphasizes use of a small number of fundamental concepts to clarify how economies function and to provide a foundation for informed evaluation of contemporary economic debates. Topics include incentives, decision-making, markets as a means of allocating resources, characteristics of market allocation, measures and history of U.S. economic performance, structure and function of the financial system, sources of economic growth, and business cycles. Periodic discussions of the role of government in the economy. Seeks to provide a level of economic literacy adequate to understanding debates as conducted in the popular press. Appropriate for all students, but intended for non-majors. Does not satisfy the prerequisites for any other course in the Department of Economics.

101b - MCSR. Principles of Microeconomics. Every semester. The Department.

An introduction to economic analysis and institutions, with special emphasis on the allocation of resources through markets. The theory of demand, supply, cost, and market structure is developed and then applied to problems in antitrust policy, environmental quality, energy, education, health, the role of the corporation in society, income distribution, and poverty. Students desiring a comprehensive introduction to economic reasoning should take both Economics 101 and 102.

102b - MCSR. Principles of Macroeconomics. Every semester. The Department.

An introduction to economic analysis and institutions, with special emphasis on determinants of the level of national income, prices, and employment. Current problems of inflation and unemployment are explored with the aid of such analysis, and alternative views of the effectiveness of fiscal, monetary, and other governmental policies are analyzed. Attention is given to the sources and consequences of economic growth and to the nature and significance of international linkages through goods and capital markets.

Prerequisite: Economics 101.

208b - MCSR. American Economic History. Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. B. ZORINA KHAN.

Examines the development of institutions from the colonial period to the rise of the modern corporation in order to understand the sources of economic growth in the United States. Topics include early industrialization, technological change, transportation, capital markets, entrepreneurship and labor markets, and legal institutions. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 238 or 348.

Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102.

209b. Money and Banking. Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. PAOLA BOEL.

Introduction to the principles of money and banking. Closely examines the tools of monetary policy, as well as the determination of short- and long-term interest rates and exchange rates. Discusses the institutional structure of central banking and of financial intermediation in the American economy.

Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102.
210b - MCSR. Economics of the Public Sector. Spring 2011. JOHN M. FITZGERALD.
Theoretical and applied evaluation of government activities and the role of government in the economy. Topics include public goods, public choice, income redistribution, benefit-cost analysis, healthcare, social security, and incidence and behavioral effects of taxation. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 310.
Prerequisite: Economics 101.

211b - MCSR. Poverty and Redistribution. Fall 2009. JOHN M. FITZGERALD.
Examines the causes and consequences of poverty and inequality in the United States and analyzes policy responses. Topics include social welfare theory, poverty measurement, discrimination, rising wage inequality, the working poor, and consequences of poverty for families and subsequent generations. Substantial focus on benefit-cost analysis and experimental and non-experimental evaluations of current policy, including welfare reform, education and training, and employment programs. Makes limited use of comparisons to other countries.
Prerequisite: Economics 101.
Note: This course counts toward the major and minor in gender and women’s studies.

212b - MCSR. Labor and Human Resource Economics. Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. RACHEL EX CONNELLY.
A study of labor market supply and demand, with special emphasis on human resource policies, human capital formation, and wage inequality.
Prerequisite: Economics 101.
Note: This course counts toward the major and minor in gender and women’s studies.

A presentation of the history of economic doctrines in terms of modern industrial organization theory. Framing the insights of classic economists in this way, shows that they had surprisingly modern concerns. Emphasis on Smith, Mill, Marx, a few marginalists and Austrians, the German Historical school, the American institutionalists, and Keynes.
Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102, or permission of the instructor.

216b - MCSR. Industrial Organization. Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. JOON-SUK LEE.
A study of the organization of firms, their strategic interaction and the role of information in competitive markets, and related policy issues such as antitrust. Introduces basic game-theoretic tools commonly used in models of industrial organization. Features industry sector analyses, antitrust cases, and classroom applications.
Prerequisite: Economics 101 or permission of the instructor.

218b - MCSR. Environmental Economics and Policy. Fall 2008. DAVID J. VAIL.
An exploration of environmental degradation and public policy responses in industrial economies. Market failures, property rights, and materialistic values are investigated as causes of pollution and deteriorating ecosystem functions. Guidelines for equitable and cost-effective environmental policy are explored, with an emphasis on the roles and limitations of cost-benefit analysis and techniques for estimating non-monetary values. Three core themes are the transition from “command and control” to incentive-based policies; the evolution from piecemeal regulation to comprehensive “green plans” (as in the Netherlands); and the connections among air pollution, energy systems, and global warming. (Same as Environmental Studies 218.)
Prerequisite: Economics 101.
Courses of Instruction

An alternative (heterodox) analysis of a capitalist market economy rooted in Marx’s methodological framework, which focuses on the interconnected role played by market relations, class/power relations, exploitation and internal tendencies towards growth, crisis, and qualitative change. Students are introduced to the Marxian method and economic theory through a reading of Volume I of Capital. Subsequently, the Marxian framework is applied to analyze the modern capitalist economy with an emphasis on the secular and cyclical instability of the economy, changing institutional structures and their ability to promote growth, labor market issues, globalization, and the decline of the Soviet Union.
Prerequisite: Economics 100 or 101, or permission of the instructor.

An examination of the factors that have affected Africa’s recent economic development, including geography and history, globalization, international aid, and political and economic management. Particular attention is paid to the interests and strategies of the many players in this field—both external (multinationals, NGOs, and aid agencies) and internal (governments, civil society, local businesses, and citizens). Tools of economic analysis are used to help understand the potential roles of international trade, foreign investment, aid, and domestic policy changes in achieving higher rates of economic growth in the next ten to fifteen years. Each student follows a particular country throughout the semester.
Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102, or permission of the instructor.

Analyzes selected economic issues of Latin America in the twentieth century (and into the twenty-first century). Issues covered include the Import Substitution Industrialization strategy, the Debt Crisis of the 1980s, stabilization programs, trade liberalization and economic integration, inflation and hyperinflation in the region, and poverty and inequality. Important economic episodes of the past three decades such as the Mexican Crisis of 1994–1995, the Chilean Economic Miracle, dollarization in Ecuador, and the recent crisis in Argentina will also be examined. (Same as Latin American Studies 235.)
Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102.

An analysis of human resource issues in the context of developing countries. Topics include the composition of the labor force by age and gender, productivity of the labor force, unemployment and informal sector employment, child labor and the health and schooling of children, and the effects of structural adjustment policies and other policy interventions on the development and utilization of human resources. Examples from selected African, Asian, and Latin American countries are integrated throughout and the interaction of sociocultural environments with economic forces is considered.
Prerequisite: Economics 101.

A study of the economic issues surrounding the existence and use of renewable natural resources (e.g., forestry/land use, fisheries, water, ecosystems, and the effectiveness of antibiotics) and exhaustible resources (such as minerals, fossil fuels, and old growth forest). A
basic framework is first developed for determining economically efficient use of resources over
time, then extended to consider objectives other than efficiency, as well as the distinguishing
biological, ecological, physical, political, and social attributes of each resource. Uncertainty,
common property, and various regulatory instruments are discussed, as well as alternatives
to government intervention and/or privatization. (Same as Environmental Studies 228.)

Prerequisite: Economics 101.

A study of economic issues that occur at each age such as economics of education, career
choice, marriage (and divorce), fertility, division of labor in the household, child care, glass
ceilings, poverty and wealth, healthcare, elder care, and retirement. Considers age-relevant
economic models, the empirical work that informs understanding, and the policy questions
that emerge at each age lifecycle stage. Differences in experience based on race, gender,
sexuality, income level, and national origin are an important component for discussion. Not
open to students who have credit for Economics 301. (Same as Gender and Women’s
Studies 231.)

Prerequisite: Economics 101.

An introduction to health economics and policy analysis as applied to the interdisciplinary
field of public health. No knowledge of public health or healthcare systems is necessary.
Begins with an overview of the United States healthcare system as a way to introduce
terminology and concepts (e.g., managed care) before proceeding with more specific issues
and their analysis. Basic microeconomic theory will serve as the conceptual model for the
study of topics such as the demand for healthcare and insurance, the market for physician
and hospital services, and public programs such as Medicare. In addition, the limitations of
the economic approach in the analysis of healthcare will be raised throughout the course.
Assignments will focus on learning how to analyze important health policy issues through
the application of basic economic principles.

Prerequisite: Economics 101.

Presents an economic analysis of innovation in firms and markets during the course of
American economic development. Central themes include changes in the role of institutions,
such as the factory system and large corporations, relative to market transactions. The first
part of the course considers specific issues in the organization of the firm, finance, and
technology during the nineteenth century. The second part examines more contemporary
questions bearing on the productivity and competitiveness of American enterprise.

Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102.

255b - MCSR. Microeconomics. Every semester. The Department.
An intermediate-level study of contemporary microeconomic theory. Analysis of the
theory of resource allocation and distribution, with major emphasis on systems of markets
and prices as a social mechanism for making resource allocation decisions. Topics include
the theory of individual choice and demand, the theory of the firm, market equilibrium under
competition and monopoly, general equilibrium theory, and welfare economics.

Prerequisite: Economics 101, 102, and Mathematics 161 or the equivalent.
256b - MCSR. Macroeconomics. Every semester. The Department.
An intermediate-level study of contemporary national income, employment, and inflation theory. Consumption, investment, government receipts, government expenditures, money, and interest rates are examined for their determinants, interrelationships, and role in determining the level of aggregate economic activity. Policy implications are drawn from the analysis.
Prerequisite: Economics 101, 102, 255, and Mathematics 161 or the equivalent.

257b - MCSR. Economic Statistics. Every semester. The Department.
An introduction to the data and statistical methods used in economics. A review of the systems that generate economic data and the accuracy of such data is followed by an examination of the statistical methods used in testing the hypotheses of economic theory, both micro- and macro-. Probability, random variables and their distributions, methods of estimating parameters, hypothesis testing, regression, and correlation are covered. The application of multiple regression to economic problems is stressed. Students who have taken Mathematics 265 are encouraged to take Economics 316 instead of this course.
Prerequisite: Economics 101, 102, and Mathematics 161 or the equivalent.

As the first in a two-course sequence (Finance I and II—Economics 260 and 360), provides a thorough exposure to the fundamental concepts involved in corporate financial decision-making, investment analysis, and portfolio management. In addition, presents the financial accounting principles and practices necessary to understand and utilize corporate financial statements as inputs to decision-making and valuation exercises. Topics include functions and structure of the financial system; overview of valuation—measures of return and risk, and discounted cash-flow analysis; sources of financial information—basic accounting concepts, balance sheet, income statement, statement of cash-flows, and financial ratios; portfolio theory, the capital asset pricing model, and efficient markets theory; corporate decision-making, the cost of capital, capital budgeting, and capital structure.
Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102. Mathematics 161 is recommended.

[277 - MCSR. Applied Research Practicum: Chinese Rural to Urban Migration. (Same as Asian Studies 269 and Gender and Women’s Studies 277.)]


Courses numbered above 300 are advanced courses in economic analysis intended primarily for majors. Enrollment in these courses is limited to eighteen students in each unless stated otherwise. Elementary calculus will be used in all 300-level courses.

Seminar. Microeconomic analysis of the family—gender roles and related institutions. Topics include marriage, fertility, married women’s labor supply, divorce, and the family as an economic organization. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 302.)
Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257, or permission of the instructor.

Prerequisite: Economics 256 or permission of the instructor.
308b. International Trade. Fall 2010 or Spring 2011. JULIAN P. DIAZ.
Offers a theoretical and empirical analysis of international trade. Particular attention is given to the standard models of trade: the Ricardian model, the Heckscher-Ohlin model, the specific factors model, and the monopolistic competition model, as well as an introduction to applied general equilibrium models of trade liberalization. Also analyzes current topics such as barriers to trade (quotas, tariffs); the effects of trade liberalization on wage inequality; regional integration blocs; the globalization debate; and the relation between trade, growth, and productivity. Data analysis is used in order to evaluate the success or shortcomings of the theoretical models.
Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 256.

310b. Advanced Public Economics. Spring 2010. JOHN M. FITZGERALD.
Seminar. A survey of theoretical and empirical evaluations of government activities in the economy, considering both efficiency and equity aspects. Topics include public choice, income redistribution, benefit-cost analysis, analysis of selected government expenditure programs (including social security), incidence and behavioral effects of taxation, and tax reform. Current public policy issues are emphasized. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 210.
Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257, or permission of the instructor.

316b. Econometrics. Fall 2008. JOHN M. FITZGERALD.
Seminar. A study of the mathematical formulation of economic models and the statistical methods of testing them. A detailed examination of the general linear regression model, its assumptions, and its extensions. Applications to both micro- and macroeconomics are considered. Though most of the course deals with single-equation models, an introduction to the estimation of systems of equations is included. An empirical research paper is required.
Prerequisite: Economics 257 or Mathematics 265, and Mathematics 161, or permission of the instructor.

318b. Environmental and Resource Economics. Spring 2009. GUILLERMO HERRERA.
Seminar. Analysis of externalities and market failure; models of optimum control of pollution and efficient management of renewable and nonrenewable natural resources such as fisheries, forests, and minerals; governmental vs. other forms of control of common-pool resources; and benefit-cost analysis of policies, including market-based and non-market valuation. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 218 or 228. (Same as Environmental Studies 318.)
Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257.

319b.d. The Economics of Development. Spring 2009 or Fall 2010. DEBORAH S. DEGRAFF.
Seminar. Theoretical and empirical analysis of selected microeconomic issues within the context of developing countries. Has a dual focus on modeling household decisions and on the effects of government policy and intervention on household behavior and well being. Topics include agricultural production, land use systems, technology and credit markets, household labor allocation and migration, investment in education and health, and income inequality.
Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257, or permission of the instructor.
Courses of Instruction


Seminar. Technological change represents one of the most essential conditions for economic and social progress. Examines the microeconomics of R&D, invention, innovation, and diffusion from both a theoretical and empirical perspective. Topics include the history of technology, the intellectual property system, the sources of invention and innovation, R&D joint ventures, the “information economy,” and globalization. Applications range from the industrial revolution of the nineteenth century through contemporary issues such as digital technology, biotechnology and the human genome project, Silicon Valley, and the Internet.

Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257, or permission of the instructor.


Seminar. Law and economics is one of the most rapidly growing areas in the social sciences. The field applies the concepts and empirical methods of economics to further our understanding of the legal system. Explores the economic analysis of law and legal institutions, including the economics of torts, contracts, property, crime, courts, and dispute resolution. Also focuses on topics in law and economics such as antitrust and regulation, corporations, the family, labor markets, product liability, and intellectual property. Students are introduced to online sources of information in law, and are required to apply economic reasoning to analyze landmark lawsuits in each of these areas. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 341.

Prerequisite: Economics 255 or permission of the instructor.


An introduction to game theory, a theory analyzing and characterizing optimal strategic behavior. Strategic behavior takes into account other individuals’ options and decisions. Such behavior is relevant in economics and business, politics, and other areas of the social sciences, where game theory is an important tool. The main game theoretic equilibrium concepts are introduced in class and applied to a variety of economics and business problems. Elementary calculus and probability theory are used.

Prerequisite: Economics 255 or permission of the instructor.


A continuation of Economics 260. The focus is essentially two-fold: (1) What are the sources of business value, and how can it be created? (2) How can the uncertainty and risk inherent to intertemporal choices, i.e., capital accumulation, be “managed”? Involves analysis of business strategy with regard to both operations and financing decisions; the pricing and uses of financial derivatives (i.e., futures, options, and swaps); sources of risk and basic risk management techniques; and an examination of recent insights from behavioral finance.

Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 260.

401b–404b. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Economics. The Department.
Bowdoin College does not offer a major in education.

Requirements for the Minor in Education

The department offers two minors: a Teaching minor for students who plan to teach in some capacity following graduation and an Education Studies minor for those who do not. Four courses are required for the Education Studies minor: either Education 20 or 101 and three others chosen from among Education 202, 203, 204, 205, 235, 245, 250, 251, 310. Four courses are required for the Teaching minor: Education 20 or 101, 203, 301, 303. Students may only count graded courses (not Credit/D/Fail) toward either minor. Students must earn a grade of C- or better in order to have a course count toward either minor in education. Students must earn a grade of C- or higher in all prerequisite courses.

Requirements for Certification to Teach in Public Secondary Schools

The department provides a sequence of courses that leads to certification for secondary school teaching. This sequence includes the following:

1. A major in a subject area of certification offered by Bowdoin College with State of Maine endorsement: mathematics, life science, physical science, English, foreign language, or social studies, and permission of the department (additional requirements for social studies candidates are two courses in United States history, two courses in world history, one course in economics, and one course in government). Majors at Bowdoin do not correspond directly with requirements for public school certification. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with a member of the department early in their College career to discuss their candidacy for student teaching.

2. Seven courses offered by the education department: Education 20 or 101, and Education 203, 301, 302, 303, 304, and 305.

To student teach, a student must apply for candidacy through the department, must be a community member in good standing, and must have a strong academic record. A cumulative 3.0 grade point average is required, as well as a 3.0 grade point average in Education 301 and Education 303. In addition to required course work, candidates for certification must be fingerprinted and must earn a passing score on all examinations specified by the Maine Department of Education. Since this requirement was first instituted, Bowdoin students’ pass rate has been 100%.

Ninth Semester Student Teaching Option

Students who have fulfilled all core secondary school subject area requirements for certification, have completed all Department of Education course requirements necessary for secondary teacher certification except for student teaching (Education 302) and the student teaching seminar (Education 304), have met all other criteria for student teaching (see above), and have graduated from Bowdoin within the last two years may apply to the department for
special student status to student teach. Students may apply for special student status for either the fall or spring semester. Students will be charged a significantly reduced tuition fee. The department reserves the right to limit participation in this program because of staffing considerations.

First-Year Seminar
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.


Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


Examines current educational issues in the United States and the role schools play in society. Topics include the purpose of schooling, school funding and governance, issues of race, class, and gender, school choice, and the reform movements of the 1990s. The role of schools and colleges in society’s pursuit of equality and excellence forms the backdrop of this study.


An examination of issues in American education through biography, autobiography, and autobiographical fiction. The effects of class, race, and gender on teaching, learning, and educational institutions are seen from the viewpoint of the individual, one infrequently represented in the professional literature. Authors include Coles, McCarthy, Welty, and Wolff.

Prerequisite: Education 20 or 101.


An examination of the economic, social, political, and pedagogical implications of universal education in American classrooms. Focuses on the right of every child, including physically handicapped, learning disabled, and gifted, to equal educational opportunity. Requires a minimum of twenty-four hours of observation in a local elementary school.

Prerequisite: Education 20 or 101.


How does philosophical thinking help us determine what is the meaning and value of education in a complex society such as the United States? This intensive reading and writing discussion course focuses on some of the moral, aesthetic, and epistemological dimensions of educational philosophers that have influenced how we think about education in the United States. In light of the course readings, students will begin to articulate their own educational philosophy.

[245c. Education and Social Justice.]


A study of the impact of the American legal system on the functioning of schools in the United States through an examination of Supreme Court decisions and federal legislation. Analyzes the public policy considerations that underlie court decisions in the field of education and considers how those judicial interests may differ from the concerns of school boards, administrators, and teachers. Issues to be discussed include constitutional and statutory
developments affecting schools in such areas as free speech, sex discrimination, religious objections to compulsory education, race relations, teachers’ rights, school financing, and education of the handicapped. (Same as Government 219.)

251c. Teaching Writing: Theory and Practice. Fall 2008. KATHLEEN O’CONNOR.  
Explores theories and methods of teaching writing, emphasizing collaborative learning and peer tutoring. Examines relationships between the writing process and the written product, writing and learning, and language and communities. Investigates disciplinary writing conventions, influences of gender and culture on language and learning, and concerns of ESL and learning disabled writers. Students practice and reflect on revising, responding to others’ writing, and conducting conferences. Prepares students to serve as writing assistants for the Writing Project.  
Prerequisite: Selection in previous spring semester by application to the Writing Project (see page 44).

291c–294c. Intermediate Independent Study in Education.

301c. Teaching. Fall 2008. KENNETH S. TEMPLETON.  
A study of what takes place in classrooms: the methods and purposes of teachers, the response of students, and the organizational context. Readings and discussions help inform students’ direct observations and written accounts of local classrooms. Peer teaching is an integral part of the course experience. Requires a minimum of thirty-six hours of observation in a local secondary school. Education 303 must be taken concurrently with this course.  
Prerequisite: Education 20 or 101, and Education 203; senior standing; a major in a core secondary school subject area (mathematics, life science, physical science, English, foreign language, or social studies); and permission of the instructor.

302c. Student Teaching Practicum. Spring 2009. DORIS A. SANTORO.  
Required of all students who seek secondary public school certification, this final course in the student teaching sequence requires that students work full time in a local secondary school from early January to late April. Grades are awarded on a Credit/D/Fail basis only. Education 304 must be taken concurrently. Students must complete an application and interview.  
Prerequisite: Education 203, 301, and 303; senior standing; a cumulative 3.0 grade point average; a 3.0 grade point average in Education 301 and 303; and permission of the instructor.

303c. Curriculum. Fall 2008. CHARLES DORN.  
A study of the knowledge taught in schools; its selection and the rationale by which one course of study rather than another is included; its adaptation for different disciplines and for different categories of students; its cognitive and social purposes; the organization and integration of its various components. Education 301 must be taken concurrently with this course.  
Prerequisite: Education 20 or 101, and Education 203; senior standing; a major in a core secondary school subject area (mathematics, life science, physical science, English, foreign language, or social studies); and permission of the instructor.

Designed to accompany Education 302, Student Teaching Practicum, and considers theoretical and practical issues related to effective classroom instruction.

Prerequisite: Education 203, 301, and 303; senior standing; a cumulative 3.0 grade point average; a 3.0 grade point average in Education 301 and 303; and permission of the instructor.


A study of adolescent development within the context of teaching and learning in schools. Designed primarily for those engaged in student teaching. Links theory and research with the student teacher’s practical application in the classroom. Begins with classic conceptions of identity development, and moves to a more contemporary understanding of adolescence, as it both affects and is affected by school. Topics include physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development of the secondary school student.

Prerequisite: Education 20 or 101; Education 203, 301, and 303; and permission of the instructor.


What does it mean for an institution of higher education to act in the public interest? How have interpretations of higher education’s public service role changed throughout history? In what ways might a college, such as Bowdoin, fulfill its institutional commitment to promote the “common good”? Examines the civic functions adopted by and ascribed to institutions of higher education in America, from the seventeenth century to the present. Students investigate both how colleges and universities have employed civic rhetoric to advance institutional agendas and how societal expectations of civic responsibility have shaped these institutions over time. Students survey relevant literature in the history of liberal arts colleges, research universities, women’s colleges, and historically Black colleges and universities; learn how historians frame questions, gather and interpret evidence, and draw conclusions; and conduct archival research, culminating in a case study of one institution’s historically defined civic purpose.

Prerequisite: Education 20 or 101, or one course in history.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study in Education.
English

Professors: David Collings, Celeste Goodridge, Marilyn Reizbaum, William C. Watterson

Associate Professors: Aviva Briefel, Peter Coviello†, Ann Louise Kibbie, Elizabeth Muther, Chair

Assistant Professors: Mary Agnes Edsall, Guy Mark Foster, Aaron Kitch

Visiting Assistant Professor: Terri Nickel

Joint Appointments with Africana Studies: Assistant Professor Tess Chakkalakal, Consortium for Faculty Diversity Pre-Dissertation Fellow and Lecturer Jarrett H. Brown

Joint Appointment with Asian Studies: Assistant Professor Belinda Kong†

Writers in Residence: Margot Livesey, Anthony E. Walton

Adjunct Lecturer: Jane Brox

Department Coordinator: Barbara Olmstead

Requirements for the Major in English and American Literature

The major requires a minimum of ten courses. Each student must take one first-year seminar (English 10–23) or introductory course (English 103–111), either of which will serve as a prerequisite to further study in the major. At least three of the ten courses must be chosen from offerings in British and Irish literature before 1800. These are courses in Old English and medieval literature, Renaissance literature, and the literature of the Restoration and the eighteenth century. The individual courses that satisfy this requirement are identified by a note in the course description. Only one of these three courses may be a Shakespeare drama course, and only one may be a Chaucer course. Only one transfer course may count toward this requirement. At least one of the ten courses must be chosen from offerings in literature of the Americas. The individual courses that satisfy this requirement are identified by a note in the course description. Also, each student must take at least one advanced seminar in the department (any 300-level English course). Students may, when appropriate, also count the advanced seminar toward one of the requirements listed above. Transfer credits will not count for the advanced seminar requirement. The remaining courses may be selected from the foregoing and/or first-year seminars; Introductory or Advanced Creative Writing; 200 and/or 300 Literary Analysis; Independent Study; and 401–402 (Advanced Independent Study/Honors). No more than three courses may come from the department’s roster of first-year seminars and 100-level courses; no more than one creative writing course will count toward the major. As one of two courses outside the department, one upper-level course in film studies may be counted toward the major; courses in expository writing, journalism, and communication are not eligible for major credit. Credit toward the major for advanced literature courses in another language, provided that the works are read in that language, must be arranged with the chair.

Majors who are candidates for honors must write an honors essay and take an oral examination in the spring of their senior year.

Interdisciplinary Major

The department participates in an interdisciplinary major in English and Theater. See page 204.
Requirements for the Minor in English and American Literature
The minor requires five courses in the department, including one first-year seminar (English 10–23) or introductory course (English 103–111). At least three of the remaining four courses must be numbered 200 or above. No more than one creative writing course may count toward the minor, and no courses in expository writing, film, communication, or journalism will count. Students may not apply transfer credits to the minor.

First-Year Seminars in English Composition and Literature
These courses are open to first-year students. The first-year English seminars are numbered 10–18 in the fall; 19–23 in the spring. Usually there are not enough openings in the fall for all first-year students who want an English seminar. First-year students who cannot get into a seminar in the fall are given priority in the spring. The main purpose of the first-year seminars (no matter what the topic or reading list) is to give first-year students extensive practice in reading and writing analytically. Each seminar is normally limited to sixteen students and includes discussion, outside reading, frequent papers, and individual conferences on writing problems. For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

   (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 13.)
   (Same as Africana Studies 14 and Latin American Studies 14.)
   (Same as Africana Studies 16.)
   (Same as Africana Studies 17.)
   (Same as Africana Studies 20.)
   (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 22 and Gender and Women’s Studies 19.)

Introductory Courses in Literature
103–111. Primarily intended for first- and second-year students, and for juniors and seniors with no prior experience in college literature courses. (Specific content and focus of each course will vary with the instructor.)
**103c. Signs and Symbols in Narrative Fiction.** Fall 2008. Mary Agnes Edsall.

Introduces students to a range of literary and other works in English, with particular attention to the questions of symbols and of interpretation. What are adequate criteria for interpretation in the symbolic mode? What balance is to be struck, or tension maintained, between the intentions of the text or author and the response of the reader? When might interpretation turn into overinterpretation? What knowledge, if any, makes for a better reading of a text? Reading and discussion of each text will be accompanied by relevant historical, literary, and/or cultural context. Authors may include Isak Dinesen, George Eliot, George Orwell, Art Speigelman, David Sedaris, William Faulkner, Flannery O’Connor, Chinua Achebe.

**105c. Introduction to Poetry.**


Traces the development of dramatic form, character, and style from classical Greece through the Renaissance and Enlightenment to contemporary America and Africa. Explores the evolution of plot design, with special attention to the politics of playing, the shifting strategies of representing human agency, and contemporary relationships between the theater and a variety of forms of mass media. Authors may include Sophocles, Aristophanes, Marlowe, Shakespeare, Dryden, Ibsen, Wilde, Beckett, Mamet, and Churchill. (Same as Theater 106.)


Examines the twin themes of love and sex as they relate to poems, stories, novels, and plays written by African American women from the nineteenth century to the contemporary era. Explores such issues as Reconstruction, the Great Migration, motherhood, sexism, group loyalty, racial authenticity, intra- and interracial desire, homosexuality, the intertextual unfolding of a literary tradition of black female writing, and how these writings relate to canonical African American male-authored texts and European American literary traditions. Students are expected to read texts closely, critically, and appreciatively. Possible authors: Harriet Jacobs, Frances Harper, Nella Larsen, Jessie Faucet, Ann Petry, Ntozake Shange, Suzan-Lori Parks, Alice Walker, Toni Morrison, Gayle Jones, Jamaica Kincaid, Terry McMillan, Sapphire, Lizzette Carter. (Same as Africana Studies 108.)

**109c. Introduction to Narrative through Short Fiction.** Fall 2008. Celeste Goodridge.

Emphasizing the ways in which short stories have different requirements of economy than longer narratives, examines some of the formal features and strategies of narrative (such as plot and character development, voice, point of view, the role of the reader, and closure) in short fiction. Authors may include Raymond Carver, Alice Munro, Elizabeth Jolly, Jane McCafferty, and others.


Examines African American literature and culture by reading across genres that include the slave narrative, fiction, theater, and poetry. Principal focus will be the essays of such famous authors and activists as Frederick Douglass, Ida Wells, W. E. B. DuBois, Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, Ralph Ellison, Richard Wright, James Baldwin, Alice Walker, Audre Lorde, and June Jordan. (Same as Africana Studies 111.)
Courses in Composition


Practice in developing the skills needed to write and revise college-level expository essays. Explores the close relationship between critical reading and writing. Assignment sequences and different modes of analysis and response enable students to write fully developed expository essays. Does not count toward the major or minor in English.

Introductory Courses in Creative Writing


Intensive study of the writing of poetry through the workshop method. Students are expected to write in free verse and in form, and to read deeply from an assigned list of poets. Formerly English 61.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.


Explores a range of creative nonfiction from the personal essay to new journalism with an emphasis on the elements of structure, voice, and style. Students read and discuss published nonfiction and write their own narratives. Students are expected to fully participate in weekly workshop discussions.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

[127c. Nonfiction Literary Narrative. Formerly English 68.]


Begins with an examination of some technical aspects of fiction writing. In particular, considers those that we tend to take for granted as readers and need to understand better as writers, e.g. point of view, characterization, dialogue, foreshadowing, scene, and summary. Students read and discuss published stories, and work through a series of exercises to write their own stories. Workshop discussion is an integral part of the course. Admission based on writing samples. Not open to students who have credit for English 69. Formerly English 66.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.


Presumes a familiarity with the mechanics of fiction writing and, ideally, previous experience in a fiction workshop. Uses published stories and stories by students to explore questions of voice and tone, structure and plot, how to deepen one’s characters, and how to make stories resonate at a higher level. Students write several stories during the semester and revise at least one. Workshop discussion and critiques are an integral part of the course. Formerly English 70.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

Advanced Courses in Creative Writing

[213c. Telling Environmental Stories. (Same as Environmental Studies 216.)]

[214c - VPA. Playwriting. (Same as Theater 260.)]
Advanced Courses in English and American Literature

201c. Chaucer: The Canterbury Tales. Every other year. Spring 2010. MARY AGNES EDSALL.

Learn Middle English and enjoy and analyze a wide selection of the stories told on Chaucer’s great literary road-trip. Includes a focus on medieval history, material culture, literary backgrounds, social codes, and social conflicts. Attention given to trends in Chaucer studies.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

202c. Chaucer: Troilus and Criseyde. Spring 2011. MARY AGNES EDSALL.

Learn Middle English and study Chaucer’s tragic story of love in besieged Troy. Includes a focus on medieval discourses of love and empire, on the Troy story in the Middle Ages, and on the history and court culture of Ricardian England. Attention given to trends in Chaucer studies.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


An introduction to the literature written in medieval England, with a focus on orality and literacy, and on the multilingualism of English culture in the Middle Ages. The world of medieval Europe was, at the least, bilingual, for Latin was the language of the Church and of the educated; moreover, in post-Norman England, French became the language of social and political power. Examines how different languages, discourses, and codes functioned in medieval English culture and considers works that depict exchanges between different cultures. Readings may include Bede, The Wanderer, The Dream of the Rood, The Song of Roland, The Play of Adam, Chrétien de Troyes, Marie de France, medieval lyrics and fabliaux, Chaucer, Mankind.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

204c. Tolkien’s Middle Ages. Every other year. Fall 2009. MARY AGNES EDSALL.

A study of the philological, historical, and literary backgrounds of J. R. R. Tolkien’s Lord of the Rings. While some attention is given to major and minor works by Tolkien, as well as to Peter Jackson’s films, the main focus of the course is on the nineteenth-century theories of philology and mythology that influenced Tolkien; on Anglo-Saxon and Middle English language, literature, and culture; as well as on Tolkien’s essays, especially those on Beowulf and on Faire. Presumes that students have a real familiarity with the text (as opposed to the film version) of LOTR. Medieval texts may include Snorri Sturluson’s Gylfaginning, The Kalevala, The Battle of Maldon, Beowulf, Lanval, Sir Orfeo, and Sir Gawain and the Green Knight.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

210c. Shakespeare’s Comedies and Romances. Every other year. Fall 2009. WILLIAM WATTERSON.

Examines A Midsummer Night’s Dream, The Merchant of Venice, Twelfth Night, As You Like It, The Winter’s Tale, and The Tempest in light of Renaissance genre theory. (Same as Theater 210.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.
   Examines Hamlet, Othello, Macbeth, King Lear, Julius Caesar, Antony and Cleopatra, and Coriolanus in light of recent critical thought. Special attention is given to psychoanalysis, new historicism, and genre theory. (Same as Theater 211.)
   Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.
   Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

   Explores the relationship of Richard III, 2 Henry VI, and the second tetralogy (Richard II, the two parts of Henry IV and Henry V) to the genre of English chronicle play that flourished in the 1580s and 1590s. Readings in primary sources (More, Hall, and Holinshed) are supplemented by readings of critics (Tillyard, Kelly, Siegel, Greenblatt, Goldberg, etc.) concerned with locating Shakespeare’s own orientation toward questions of history and historical meaning. Regular screenings of BBC productions. (Same as Theater 212.)
   Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.
   Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

   Explores the explosion of popular drama in London following the construction of the first permanent theaters in the 1560s. Pays special attention to the forms of drama that audiences liked best—those portraying revenge, marriage, middle-class ascendance, and adultery. Topics include the cultural space of the theater, the structure of playing companies, and the cultivation of blank verse as a vehicle for theatrical expression. Students will master the styles of different playwrights, examine the topography of the Globe theater, and try out different staging techniques. Authors include Shakespeare, Thomas Kyd, Christopher Marlowe, Ben Jonson, and Thomas Middleton. (Same as Theater 223.)
   Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.
   Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

   Considers the representation of “race” in the English Renaissance (c. 1500–1650). Explores how authors from Philip Sidney to Aphra Behn used literary strategies to represent ethnic, religious, and cultural difference. Topics include England’s role in the nascent slave trade, the aesthetics of blackness, and the influence of Islamic and “Moorish” cultures on an increasingly cosmopolitan London. Readings include Othello, Jonson’s Masque of Blackness, selected travel narratives, sonnets by Sidney and Shakespeare, and Behn’s Oroonoko. (Same as Africana Studies 225.)
   Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.
   Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

   A critical study of Milton’s major works in poetry and prose, with special emphasis on Paradise Lost. Formerly English 222.
   Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.
   Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

   An overview of the development of the theater from the re-opening of the playhouses in 1660 to the end of the eighteenth century, with special emphasis on the emergence of new dramatic modes such as Restoration comedy, heroic tragedy, “she-tragedy,” sentimental
comedy, and opera. Other topics include the legacy of Puritan anxieties about theatricality; the introduction of actresses on the professional stage; adaptations of Shakespeare on the Restoration and eighteenth-century stage; other sites of public performance, such as the masquerade and the scaffold; and the representation of theatricality in the eighteenth-century novel. (Same as Theater 230.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

[231c. Topics in Restoration and Eighteenth-Century Poetry and Prose.]


Explores how women are represented in eighteenth-century fiction, and the impact of women readers and women writers on the development of the novel. Authors will include Daniel Defoe, Samuel Richardson, Frances Burney, and Jane Austen. Formerly English 250.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Traces the circulation of narratives at the height of Britain’s colonial power in the Americas. Situates such literary commerce alongside the larger exchange of people and goods and focuses on the fluctuating nature of national, racial, and sexual identities in the circum-Atlantic world. Explores how literary texts attempted, and often failed, to sustain “Englishness” in the face of separation, revolution, or insurrection. Of special interest are figures who move across the Atlantic divide and exploit the possibility of multiple roles—sailors, pirates, freed or escaped slaves, female soldiers. Texts may include General History of the Pirates; The Woman of Colour; Moll Flanders; The History of Emily Montague; Obi, or the History of Three-Fingered Jack; The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano; the Journals of Janet Schaw; The History of Mary Prince; The Female American. (Same as Africana Studies 234.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Examines the rise of and reactions to the literature of radical sensibility in the wake of the French Revolution. Focuses upon such topics as apocalyptic lyricism, anarchism, non-violent revolution, and the critique of marriage, family, male privilege, and patriarchal religious belief, as well as the defense of tradition, attacks on radical thinking, and the depiction of revolution as monstrosity. Discusses poetic experimentation, innovations in the English novel, and the intersections between political writing and the Gothic. Authors may include Burke, Paine, Blake, Wollstonecraft, Godwin, Opie, Percy Shelley, and Mary Shelley. Formerly English 240. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 240.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.


Examines the Romantic attempt to blend aspects of the transcendental—such as the sublime, immortality, and divinity—with ordinary life, the forms of nature, and the resources of human consciousness. Discusses theories of the sublime, poetry of the English landscape, mountaintop experiences, tales of transfiguration, lyrics of loss, and encounters with
otherworldly figures. Explores the difficulties of representing the transcendental in secular poetry and the consequences of natural supernaturalism for our own understanding of nature. Focuses on the poetry of Wordsworth and Coleridge, along with writings by Milton, Burke, Kant, Percy Shelley, and Keats. (Same as Environmental Studies 238.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or environmental studies.


Investigates literary representations of criminality in Victorian England. Of central concern is the construction of social deviancy and criminal types; images of disciplinary figures, structures, and institutions; and the relationship between generic categories (the detective story, the Gothic tale, the sensation novel) and the period’s preoccupation with transgressive behavior and crime. Authors may include Braddon, Collins, Dickens, Doyle, Stevenson, and Wells. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 244 and Gender and Women’s Studies 244.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.


Examines the cruxes of the “modern,” and the term’s shift into a conceptual category rather than a temporal designation. Although not confined to a particular national or generic rubric, takes British works as a focus. Organized by movements or critical formations of the modern, i.e., modernisms, psychoanalysis, postmodernism, cultural critique. Readings of critical literature in conjunction with primary texts. Authors/directors/works may include T. S. Eliot, Joyce’s Dubliners, Lawrence’s Sons and Lovers, Sontag’s On Photography, W. G. Sebald’s The Natural History of Destruction, Ian McEwen’s Enduring Love, Stevie Smith, Kureishi’s My Son the Fanatic, and Coetzee’s White Writing. Formerly English 261. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 247.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.


Considers Irish writing from the late nineteenth century through the present: its contribution to modern literary movements and conflictual relation to the idea of a national Irish literature. Likely topics include linguistic and national dispossessions; the supernatural or surreal, pastoral, and urban traditions; the Celtic Twilight versus Modernism; and the interaction of feminism and nationalism. Formerly English 264.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.


A study of the modern impulse in the novel genre in English. Considers origins of the modern novel and developments such as modernism, postmodernism, realism, formalism, impressionism, the rise of short fiction. Focuses on individual or groups of authors and take into account theories of the novel, narrative theory, critical contexts. Topics shift and may include Philip Roth, Henry Roth, Virginia Woolf, James Joyce, Rebecca West, Dorothy Richardson, Lorrie Moore, Ford Madox Ford, J. M. Coetzee, W. G. Sebald, F. Scott Fitzgerald, John Banville, Ian Watt, Peter Brook, and Franco Moretti. Formerly English 269.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

[250c. Early American Literature. Formerly English 270.]
[251c. The American Renaissance. Formerly English 271. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 271.)]

[252c. Topics in Nineteenth-Century American Literature: Empire of Feeling. Formerly English 277. (Same as Africana Studies 277.)]


Authors may include Wharton, Cather, Hemingway, Fitzgerald, Nella Larsen, and Faulkner. Considers how these authors both reflect and subvert the dominant ideologies of the period.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.


Readings of mid-century American poets followed by late century ones. Considers the validity of the term “confessional” to describe some of this poetry and examine performativity, autobiography, biography, and the mixing of high and low culture in this work. Authors may include Lowell, Bishop, Plath, Gluck, Doty and Clampitt. Formerly English 274.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

[257c. Classic Twentieth-Century LGBT Cultural Texts. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 257 and Gender and Women’s Studies 257.)]

[260c.d. African American Fiction: (Re)Writing Black Masculinities. (Same as Africana Studies 260 and Gender and Women’s Studies 260.)]

[261c.d. African American Poetry. Formerly English 276. (Same as Africana Studies 261.)]


Examines the history and contributions of African Americans to United States theater from the early blackface minstrel tradition, to the revolutionary theater of the Black Arts writers, to more recent postmodernist stage spectacles. Among other concerns, such works often dramatize the efforts of African Americans to negotiate ongoing tensions between individual needs and group demands that result from historically changing forms of racial marginalization. A particular goal is to highlight what Kimberly Benston has termed the “expressive agency” with which black writers and performers have imbued their theatrical presentations. Potential authors include Zora Neale Hurston, Langston Hughes, Lorraine Hansberry, Amiri Baraka, Ron Milner, Adrienne Kennedy, Ntozake Shange, George C. Wolfe, Anna Deavere Smith, Afro Pomo Homos, and August Wilson. (Same as Africana Studies 263.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

[266c.d. Topics in African American Literature: The Harlem Renaissance. (Same as Africana Studies 266.)]
Examines slave narratives and anti-slavery novels from the United States and Cuba (where almost all of the nineteenth-century writings in Spanish originated). Situates these works in their historical and literary contexts and explores the ways in which authors enter politically charged debates about slavery, gender, and sexuality. Authors include the orator, editor, and statesman, Frederick Douglass; the enslaved poet Juan Manzano; the feisty narrator Esteban Montejo; Martin Delany, known as the father of Black nationalism; the once enslaved authors and activists Harriet Jacobs and Louisa Picquet; and Jamaica’s famous woman warrior, Nanny. Spanish speakers will be encouraged to read primary texts and criticism in Spanish. Writing intensive. (Same as Africana Studies 268 and Latin American Studies 268.)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

Explorations of short fiction by African American writers from fugitive narratives to futurist science fiction. Focuses on strategies of cultural survival as mapped in narrative form—with special interest in trickster storytellers, alternative temporalities and double-voicing. Close attention paid to the exigencies of the short form, the experimental ground of the short story and its role for emerging writers, and notable anthologies and the role of stories in movement-making. Formerly English 275. (Same as Africana Studies 270.)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

271c.d - ESD. Introduction to Asian American Literature. Formerly English 284. (Same as Asian Studies 213.)

273c.d - ESD, IP. Writing China from Afar. Formerly English 283. (Same as Asian Studies 212.)

274c.d - ESD, IP. Asian Diaspora Literature of World War II. (Same as Asian Studies 216.)

Examines English writing emerging from dispersed communities of South Asia (primarily India and Pakistan), including those in Trinidad, the Persian Gulf, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Considers cultural dislocation, individualism, assimilation, and the potential loss of tradition; the performance of South Asian transnational identities in multicultural spaces; the ironies of writing the homeland from afar; the uses of exoticism; the implications of cross-ethnic intimacies; the intersections of these themes with gender, sexuality, and class; and the politics of literary representation. Authors may include Naipaul, Ghosh, Mukherjee, Suleri, Kureishi, Syal, and Lahiri. (Same as Asian Studies 277.)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or one course in Asian studies.

278c - VPA. Of Comics and Culture. Fall 2008. Elizabeth Muther.
An introduction to comics, graphic narratives, and “sequential art.” Explores elements of the history of the comics—especially in a United States cultural context—while examining the formal dimensions of this hybrid art. Considers the cultural functions of this work in theoretical terms, as well as the sociology of its reception. Examines comics as personal
narrative, social criticism, political commentary, fantasy, and science fiction, among other modes. Special focus on the functions of humor, irony, pathos, and outrage, as deployed in historical and contemporary comic forms.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.


Examines a broad swath of antebellum and postbellum American sentimental literature; its purpose is to understand the ways in which the literature defines itself both in alliance with and opposition to slavery. Students also engage a number of theoretical texts that discuss the philosophical dimensions of sentimentalism and its impact on the form of American fiction. Works by Stowe, Melville, Hawthorne, Sedgwick, Sarah Hale, Lydia Maria Child, Frances Harper, and Frank Webb, among others, will be included. (Same as Africana Studies 279.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.


Introduces a range of new questions that, over the last three decades, have challenged the fundamental assumptions of literary and cultural studies: How are notions of authorship, greatness, or “high” art shaped by other forms of social power? How might literary modes of reading apply to forms of cultural expression other than literature, including popular culture? To what extent is any text consistent with itself, or does it inevitably undermine its key concepts in the course of articulating them? Do texts that encode social privilege—whether of class, gender, race, nationality, or sexuality—resist it as well? How reliable are the oppositions that anchor critical reading, such as male/female, white/black, home/exile, straight/gay? Where is meaning (or an unsettling non-meaning) to be found: in the text itself, symptoms of its unconscious desire, its relation to prior texts, its implication in contemporary discourses, or its intervention into its historical moment? Examines theoretical statements of these and other questions and applies them in experimental readings of short texts chosen in conjunction with the class.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English, Africana studies, or gender and women’s studies, or Gay and Lesbian Studies 201.


Explores the effects of globalization—the economic integration of national markets—on the production of literature in the late twentieth and early twenty-first centuries. As trading blocs in Latin America, North America, Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean are being formed and consolidated, a growing number of literary texts are being produced that focus on the social and cultural consequences of economic globalization. This literature confronts both the possibilities and pitfalls of this new global era by addressing issues of immigration, multiculturalism, ethnic identity, and Americanization through provocative experiments with narrative form. Readings cover a broad geographical terrain—from Zadie Smith’s and V. S. Naipaul’s reflections on diasporic communities to the perils and pleasures of border-crossings described in the fictions of Gayl Jones, Nurrudin Farah, Michael Ondaatje, and Tayeb Salih.

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

291c–294c. Intermediate Independent Study in English. The Department.
  English 300-level courses are advanced seminars; students who take them are normally English majors. Their content and perspective varies—the emphasis may be thematic, historical, generic, biographical, etc. All require extensive reading in primary and collateral materials.

  Close reading of Shakespeare’s 154 sonnets and the appended narrative poem “A Lover’s Complaint,” which accompanies them in the editio princeps of 1609. Required texts include the “New Arden” edition of Shakespeare’s Sonnets (1997) edited by Katherine Duncan-Jones, and Helen Vendler’s The Art of Shakespeare’s Sonnets (1998). Critical issues examined include the dating of the sonnets, the order in which they appear, their rhetorical and architectural strategies, and their historical and autobiographical content. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 316.)
  Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or gay and lesbian studies, or permission of the instructor.
  Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

  Explores the dialectical relationship between aesthetics and politics in Renaissance England, with special attention to the ways that the courts of Elizabeth I and James I used poetry, painting, and various “entertainments” for political purposes. Approaches the court as site of power, an object of representation, and a center of patronage. Topics include the arts of perspective, the politics of courtly love, and the allegorical structures of the royal masque. Readings include poetry by Wyatt, Sidney, Shakespeare, and Lanyer as well as the spectacular royal masques of Ben Jonson and Inigo Jones, including The Masque of Blackness and Pleasure Reconciled to Virtue. Students have an opportunity to design research projects tailored to their individual interests. (Same as Theater 317.)
  Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or permission of the instructor.
  Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

321c. Medieval Drama. (Same as Religion 321.)

322c.d. African American Literature and Visual Culture. (Same as Africana Studies 322.)

  An examination of James Joyce’s signal contributions to modern writing and critical theories. Reading includes the major works (Dubliners, Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, Ulysses), essays by Joyce, and writings by others who testify to the Joyce mystique: e.g., Oliver St. John Gogarty, T. S. Eliot, Virginia Woolf, Jacques Derrida, Seamus Heaney, Maud Ellmann.
  Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or permission of the instructor.

  Recent James criticism has focused on James’s homosexuality and its influence on his aesthetic and choice of subjects. Examines what is at stake in a Queer James, “queer” here referring both to James’s homosexuality and to perceptions of him as different, perverse, odd, awkward, and other. Readings of representative James texts and a number of other authors he influenced. Examines confluence between his work and his contemporary E. M. Forster’s, as well as his influence on Alan Hollinghurst, a contemporary British author who acknowledged
James’s influence, and David Levitt, a contemporary American author whose his kinship with James is apparent. Also considers the influence of James’s life as art, as seen in novels by Colm Toibin and David Lodge that re-imagine James’s biography. Students required to read criticism of James and critical theory. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 325.)

Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or permission of the instructor.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.


Close readings of literary and filmic texts that interrogate widespread beliefs in the fixity of racial categories and the broad assumptions these beliefs often engender. Investigates “whiteness” and “blackness” as unstable and fractured ideological constructs—constructs that, while socially and historically produced, are no less “real” in their tangible effects, whether internal or external. Includes works by Charles Chesnutt, Sinclair Lewis, Nella Larsen, Norman Mailer, Anne McClintock, Jack Kerouac, John Howard Griffin, Andrea Lee, Sandra Bernhard, and Warren Beatty. (Same as Africana Studies 327.)

Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or Africana studies, or permission of the instructor.

Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in English. The Department.
Courses of Instruction

Environmental Studies

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Eileen Sylvan Johnson, Program Manager; Rosemary Armstrong, Program Assistant
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Joint Appointments with Biology: Associate Professor Philip Camill,
Associate Professor John Lichter
Joint Appointment with Chemistry: Associate Professor Dharni Vasudevan
Joint Appointment with Government: Distinguished Lecturer DeWitt John
Joint Appointments with History: Associate Professor Matthew Klingle,
Assistant Professor Connie Y. Chiang?
Joint Appointment with Philosophy: Associate Professor Lawrence H. Simon
Lecturer: Jill E. Pearlman
Adjunct Lecturers: Kara Wooldrik, Mellon Global Scholar in Environmental Studies
Ashish Kothari

Requirements for the Coordinate Major in Environmental Studies (ES)

Among Bowdoin’s major programs, the coordinate major is unique to the Environmental Studies Program. An environmental studies major must also have a disciplinary major, either in a departmental major such as biology, economics, history, etc., or in a program major such as Asian studies, gender and women’s studies, etc. Courses taken to satisfy the College’s distribution requirements or to fulfill the requirements of the second major may be double-counted toward the environmental studies major requirements, except as noted. A grade of C- or better must be earned in a course to fulfill the major requirement.

Completion of the ES major requires the following courses:

1. **ES 101 Introduction to Environmental Studies**, preferably taken as a first-year student.
2. One 100-level or higher course in biology, chemistry, geology, or physics.
3. **ES 201 Perspectives in Environmental Science** (same as Biology 158 and Chemistry 105.)
4. **ES 202 Environmental Policy and Politics** (same as Government 214), or **ES 218 Environmental Economics** (same as Economics 218).
5. **ES 203 Environment and Culture in North American History** (same as History 242).
6. Senior seminar: A culminating course of one semester is required of majors. Such courses are multidisciplinary, studying a topic from at least two areas of the curriculum. This course is normally taken during the senior year. Courses currently satisfying this requirement include **ES 312, 318, 340, 357, 363**, and courses numbered **390** and above. It is preferable to take this course during the senior year. Please check with the department for an updated list of courses satisfying this requirement.
7. Beyond the core courses, students must choose a concentration (listed below):

**ES Disciplinary Concentrations:** For this option, ES coordinate majors must take three 100-level or above courses within one of the following concentrations:

— for *History, Landscape, Values, Ethics, and the Environment*, students choose from ES courses designated with a “c”

— for *Environmental Economics and Policy*, students choose ES courses designated with a “b”

— for the *Interdisciplinary Environmental Science Concentration*, students choose ES courses designated with an “a” (in addition, *Chemistry 210 Chemical Analysis* and *Chemistry 240 Inorganic Chemistry* count toward this concentration). ES majors are strongly advised to take one of the ES science courses outside of their departmental requirements. ES science majors should consult with their ES science advisor in identifying a science course outside their major.

**Student-designed Environmental Studies Concentration:** Students majoring in ES have the option of designing their own concentration consisting of three courses in addition to the core courses and senior seminars. Student-designed concentrations are particularly appropriate for students interested in exploring environmental issues from a cross-divisional perspective. Students must submit a self-designed concentration form (available from the program), explaining their plan of study to the program director by the first week of the first semester of the junior year, listing the three ES courses proposed, and explaining how the courses are related to the issue of interest to the student. Proposals must be approved by the program director.

**Requirements for the Minor in Environmental Studies**

The minor consists of five courses: *Environmental Studies 101* and two core courses in the disciplinary area outside a student’s major:

— for *natural science majors*: ES 202 Environmental Policy and Politics or ES 218 Environmental Economics, and ES 203 Environment and Culture in North American History;

— for *social science majors*: ES 201 Perspectives in Environmental Science and ES 203 Environment and Culture in North American History;

— for *humanities majors*: ES 201 Perspectives in Environmental Science, and ES 202 Environmental Policy and Politics or ES 218 Environmental Economics; and two additional ES courses numbered 200 or above, one of which should be outside a student’s major.

**First-Year Seminar**

For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.


**Matthew Klingle.**

(‘Same as History 15.’)
Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

56a - INS. Ecology and Society. Fall 2008. VLADIMIR DOUHOVNIKOFF.

Presents an overview of ecology covering basic ecological principles and the relationship between human activity and the ecosystems that support us. Examines how ecological processes, both biotic (living) and abiotic (non-living), influence the life history of individuals, populations, communities, and ecosystems. Encourages student investigation of environmental interactions and how human-influenced disturbance is shaping the environment. Required field trips illustrate the use of ecological concepts as tools for interpreting local natural history. (Same as Biology 56.)

81a - INS. Physics of the Environment. Spring 2009. MARK BATTLE.

An introduction to the physics of environmental issues, including past climates, anthropogenic climate change, ozone destruction, and energy production and efficiency. (Same as Physics 81.)

100a - INS. Environmental Geology and Hydrology. Every spring. PETER LEA.

An introduction to aspects of geology and hydrology that affect the environment and land use. Topics include watersheds and surface-water quality, groundwater contamination, coastal erosion, and landslides. Weekly labs and field trips examine local environmental problems affecting Maine rivers, lakes, and coast. (Same as Geology 100.)

101. Introduction to Environmental Studies. Every fall. DEWITT JOHN, DHARNI VASUDEVAN, and LAWRENCE SIMON.

An interdisciplinary introduction to the variety of environmental problems caused by humanity and confronting us today. Provides an overview of the state of scientific knowledge about major environmental problems and potential responses of governments and people, an exploration of environmental issues, both global and regional, and an exploration of why societies often have such difficulty in reaching consensus on effective and equitable policies within existing political and economic institutions.

103a - INS. Marine Environmental Geology. Every fall. EDWARD LAINE.

An introduction to the aspects of marine geology and oceanography that affect the environment and marine resources. Topics include estuarine oceanography and sediments, eutrophication of coastal waters, primary productivity, waves and tides, sea-level history, glacial geology of coastal Maine, harmful algal bloom, and an introduction to plate tectonics. Weekly field trips and labs examine local environmental problems affecting Casco Bay and the Maine coast. A one-day weekend field excursion is required. (Same as Geology 103.)

154a. Ecology of the Gulf of Maine and Bay of Fundy. Fall 2008. DAMON GANNON.

The Gulf of Maine/Bay of Fundy system is a semi-enclosed sea bordered by three U.S. states and two Canadian provinces. It supports some of the world’s most productive fisheries and played a key role in European colonization of North America. Investigates how the species found in this body of water interact with each other and with the abiotic components of their environment. Topics will include natural history; geological and physical oceanography; characteristics of major habitats; biology of macroinvertebrates, fishes, seabirds, and marine mammals; biogeography; food webs; and fisheries biology. Examines how human activities, such as fishing, aquaculture, shipping, and coastal development affect the ecology of the region. Includes lectures, discussions of the primary literature, and field excursions. (Same as Biology 154.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.
201a - MCSR, INS. Perspectives in Environmental Science. Every spring. Spring 2009. JOHN LICHTER and DHARNI VASUDEVAN.

Functioning of the earth system is defined by the complex and fascinating interaction of processes within and between four principal spheres: land, air, water, and life. Leverages key principles of environmental chemistry and ecology to unravel the intricate connectedness of natural phenomena and ecosystem function. Fundamental biological and chemical concepts are used to understand the science behind the environmental dilemmas facing societies as a consequence of human activities. Laboratory sessions consist of local field trips, laboratory experiments, group research, case study exercises, and discussions of current and classic scientific literature. (Same as Biology 158 and Chemistry 105.)

Prerequisite: One 100-level or higher course in biology, chemistry, geology, or physics.

202b. Environmental Policy and Politics. Every fall. Fall 2008. DEWITT JOHN.

Examines alternative ways to protect our environment. Analyzes environmental policies and the regulatory regime that has developed in the United States; new approaches such as free-market environmentalism, civic environmentalism, environmental justice, sustainable development; and environmental policies and politics in other countries, especially China. (Same as Government 214.)

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 101 or permission of the instructor.


Explores relationships between ideas of nature, human transformations of the environment, and the effect of the physical environment upon humans through time in North America. Topics include the “Columbian exchange” and colonialism; links between ecological change and race, class, and gender relations; the role of science and technology; literary and artistic perspectives of “nature”; agriculture, industrialization, and urbanization; and the rise of modern environmentalism. Assignments include a research-based service learning term project. (Same as History 242.)

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 101 or permission of the instructor.

204a. Introduction to Geographic Information Systems. Fall 2009. THE PROGRAM.

Geographical information systems (GIS) organize and store spatial information for geographical presentation and analysis. They allow rapid development of high quality maps, and enable powerful and sophisticated investigation of spatial patterns and interrelationships. Introduces concepts of cartography, database management, remote sensing, and spatial analysis. The productive use of GIS technology in the physical and social sciences, environmental management, and regional planning is investigated through a variety of applied exercises and problems culminating in a semester project that addresses a specific environmental application.

205a - INS. Environmental Chemistry. Spring 2009. DHARNI VASUDEVAN.

Focuses on two key processes that influence human and wildlife exposure to potentially harmful substances—chemical speciation and transformation. Equilibrium principles as applied to acid-base, complexation, precipitation, and dissolution reactions are used to explore organic and inorganic compound speciation in natural and polluted waters; quantitative approaches are emphasized. The kinetics and mechanisms of organic compound transformation via hydrolysis, oxidation, reduction, and photochemical reactions are examined; environmental conditions and chemical structural criteria that influence reactivity are emphasized. Weekly laboratory sections are concerned with the detection and quantification of organic and inorganic compounds in air, water, and soils/sediments. (Same as Chemistry 205 and Geology 205.)

Prerequisite: Chemistry 109.
**207b. Building Healthy Communities.** Fall 2009. **DeWitt John.**

Examines efforts by communities and regions to build strong local economies, safeguard important environmental values, protect public health, and address issues of economic and social justice. In many communities, metropolitan areas and rural regions, state and local government officials work with other leaders to set ambitious goals for economic and environmental sustainability and to develop specific plans for sustainable development. These efforts cross political, institutional, and sectoral barriers, thus challenging and sometimes re-shaping state and local politics as well as American federalism. Examines how local leaders can work in complex settings to set goals and mobilize federal, private, and non-profit resources to achieve specific, cross-cutting objectives. (Same as Government 207.)

Prerequisite: One course in environmental studies or government.

**210a - MCSR, INS. Plant Physiology.** Fall 2008. **Barry A. Logan.**

An introduction to the physiological processes that enable plants to grow under the varied conditions found in nature. General topics discussed include the acquisition, transport, and use of water and mineral nutrients, photosynthetic carbon assimilation, and the influence of environmental and hormonal signals on development and morphology. Adaptation and acclimation to extreme environments and other ecophysiological subjects are also discussed. Weekly laboratories reinforce principles discussed in lecture and expose students to modern research techniques. (Same as Biology 210.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

**215a - MCSR, INS. Behavioral Ecology and Population Biology.** Every fall. **Nathaniel Wheelwright.**

Study of the behavior of animals and plants, and the interactions between organisms and their environment. Topics include population growth and structure, and the influence of competition, predation, and other factors on the behavior, abundance, and distribution of plants and animals. Laboratory sessions, field trips, and research projects emphasize concepts in ecology, evolution and behavior, research techniques, and the natural history of local plants and animals. Optional field trip to the Bowdoin Scientific Station on Kent Island. (Same as Biology 215.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.

**216c. Telling Environmental Stories.** (Same as English 213.)

**218b - MCSR. Environmental Economics and Policy.** Fall 2008. **David J. Vail.**

An exploration of environmental degradation and public policy responses in industrial economies. Market failures, property rights, and materialistic values are investigated as causes of pollution and deteriorating ecosystem functions. Guidelines for equitable and cost-effective environmental policy are explored, with an emphasis on the roles and limitations of cost-benefit analysis and techniques for estimating non-monetary values. Three core themes are the transition from “command and control” to incentive-based policies; the evolution from piecemeal regulation to comprehensive “green plans” (as in the Netherlands); and the connections among air pollution, energy systems, and global warming. (Same as Economics 218.)

Prerequisite: Economics 101.

**219a - MCSR, INS. Biology of Marine Organisms.** Every fall. **Amy Johnson.**

The study of the biology and ecology of marine mammals, seabirds, fish, intertidal and subtidal invertebrates, algae, and plankton. Also considers the biogeographic consequences of global and local ocean currents on the evolution and ecology of marine organisms. Laboratories,
field trips, and research projects emphasize natural history, functional morphology, and ecology. Lectures and three hours of laboratory or field trip per week. One weekend field trip included. (Same as Biology 219.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.


A critical examination of the relationships between social inequalities and environmental degradation, both in the U.S. and internationally. Through case studies and comparative literatures, surveys a variety of topics that reveal the complex interactions between social structures of power and environment, including the distribution of environmental hazards across race and class, natural resource rights and management, urban health and sustainability, and energy and environmental security. Also studies critically the development of a broad-based environmentalism of the poor, most notably environmental justice organizations and indigenous struggles over resources, as well as their coalitions and conflicts with mainstream environmental and other social movements. (Same as Sociology 221.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Environmental Studies 101, or permission of the instructor.

[222b - ESD. Introduction to Human Population. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 224 and Sociology 222.)]


An exploration of the interface between geological and biological processes. Focuses on the mutual effects of microorganisms and earth’s land, air, and water chemistry. Topics include biomineralization, origin and evolution of life, microbial energetics and diversity, and biological contributions to weathering, soil and rock formation, and the creation and remediation of environmental problems. Laboratories will include fieldwork, experiments, and light, fluorescence, and electron microscopy. (Same as Biology 223 and Geology 223.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or biology, or permission of the instructor.


Community ecology is the study of dynamic patterns in the distribution and abundance of organisms. Ecosystem ecology is the study of the flow of energy and cycling of matter through ecological communities. Global change ecology examines how human activities alter communities and ecosystems and how these changes play out at the global scale. Topics include the creation and maintenance of biodiversity, the complexity of species interactions in food webs, the role of disturbance in ecological processes, the importance of biodiversity in ecosystem processes, and human influences on global biogeochemical cycles and climate change. Laboratory sessions consist of local field trips, team research exercises, and independent field research projects. Current and classic scientific literature is discussed weekly. (Same as Biology 225.)

Prerequisite: Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109.


Evolution of the built environment in four European cities from the mid-eighteenth century to the present. A variety of factors—geography, natural resources, politics, industrialization, transportation, planning, and architectural design—are considered as determinants of city form. Topics include the shaping of capital cities, housing parks, public spaces, boulevards and streets, urban infrastructure, and environmental problems. (Same as History 227.)
Courses of Instruction


A study of the economic issues surrounding the existence and use of renewable natural resources (e.g., forestry/land use, fisheries, water, ecosystems, and the effectiveness of antibiotics) and exhaustible resources (e.g., minerals, fossil fuels, and old growth forest). A basic framework is first developed for determining economically efficient use of resources over time, then extended to consider objectives other than efficiency, as well as the distinguishing biological, ecological, physical, political and social attributes of each resource. Uncertainty, common property, and various regulatory instruments are discussed, as well as alternatives to government intervention and/or privatization. (Same as Economics 228.)

Prerequisite: Economics 101.

[231b.d. Native Peoples and Cultures of Arctic America. (Same as Anthropology 231.)]

[232c - ESD. History of the American West. (Same as History 232.)]


Explores the critical components, principles, and tools of good sustainable design. Uses design exercises, readings, class discussion, field visits, and case studies to investigate why and how buildings can be designed in ways that are environmentally responsive and responsible. Issues include the relationship between sustainability and creative architectural form, as well as the importance of place and community in design. (Same as Visual Arts 233.)

[235c - ESD. Green Injustice: Environment and Equity in North American History. (Same as History 235.)]


Examines the Romantic attempt to blend aspects of the transcendental—such as the sublime, immortality, and divinity—with ordinary life, the forms of nature, and the resources of human consciousness. Discusses theories of the sublime, poetry of the English landscape, mountaintop experiences, tales of transfiguration, lyrics of loss, and encounters with otherworldly figures. Explores the difficulties of representing the transcendental in secular poetry and the consequences of natural supernaturalism for our understanding of nature. Focuses on the poetry of Wordsworth and Coleridge, along with writings by Milton, Burke, Kant, Percy Shelley, and Keats. (Same as English 238.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or environmental studies.

240b. Environmental Law. Every other year. The Program.

Critical examination of some of the most important American environmental laws and their application to environmental problems that affect the United States and the world. Students learn what the law currently requires and how it is administered by federal and state agencies, and are encouraged to examine the effectiveness of current law and consider alternative approaches.


Examines the relationship between economic development, biodiversity conservation, and people’s livelihoods as it is playing out in India. Development is having significant impacts on the environment and on rural communities, especially communities that depend on natural resources for their livelihood or where protected areas are set aside for nature. Addresses these local challenges as well as macroeconomic policies and globalization. (Same as Asian Studies 205.)

Examines major buildings, architects, architectural theories, and debates during the modern period, with a strong emphasis on Europe through 1900, and both the United States and Europe in the twentieth century. Central issues of concern include architecture as an important carrier of historical, social, and political meaning; changing ideas of history and progress in built form; and the varied architectural responses to industrialization. Attempts to develop students’ visual acuity and ability to interpret architectural form while exploring these and other issues. (Same as Art History 243.)

244c - VPA. City, Anti-City, and Utopia: Building Urban America. Fall 2010. JILL PEARLMAN.

Explores the evolution of the American city from the beginning of industrialization to the present age of mass communications. Focuses on the underlying explanations for the American city’s physical form by examining cultural values, technological advancement, aesthetic theories, and social structure. Major figures, places, and schemes in the areas of urban design and architecture, social criticism, and reform are considered. (Same as History 244.)

245c. The Nature of Frank Lloyd Wright. Spring 2010. JILL PEARLMAN.

An in-depth investigation of the buildings of North America’s most celebrated architect, with emphasis on the major theme of his work — the complex relationship between architecture and nature. Examines Wright’s key projects for a diverse range of environments and regions while also placing the master builder and his works into a larger historical, cultural, and architectural context. Engages in a critical analysis of the rich historical literature that Wright has evoked in recent decades, along with the prolific writings of the architect himself.

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 243 (same as Art History 243) or 244 (same as History 244), or one course in art history, or permission of the instructor.


Seminar. Examines the evolution of various Maine social and ecological communities — inland, hill country, and coastal. Begins with the contact of European and Native American cultures, examines the transfer of English and European agricultural traditions in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and explores the development of diverse geographic, economic, ethnic, and cultural communities during the nineteenth and into the early twentieth centuries. (Same as History 247.)

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

[250c - ESD. California Dreamin’: A History of the Golden State. (Same as History 250.)]

253a. Atmosphere and Ocean Dynamics. Fall 2008. MARK BATTLE.

A mathematically rigorous analysis of the motions of the atmosphere and oceans on a variety of spatial and temporal scales. Covers fluid dynamics in inertial and rotating reference frames, as well as global and local energy balance, applied to the coupled ocean-atmosphere system. (Same as Geology 257 and Physics 257.)

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.

256c,d - IP. Environment and Society in Latin America. Spring 2009. ALLEN WELLS AND NATHANIEL WHEELWRIGHT.

Examines the evolving relationship between the environment, politics, and culture in Central America and the Caribbean. Topics include the environmental impact of economic development; colonialism; the predominance of plantation monoculture, slavery, and other forms of coerced labor; and political instability. (Same as History 256 and Latin American Studies 256.)
Courses of Instruction


What things in nature have moral standing? What are our obligations to them? How should we resolve conflicts among our obligations? After an introduction to ethical theory, topics to be covered include anthropocentrism, the moral status of nonhuman sentient beings and of non-sentient living beings, preservation of endangered species and the wilderness, holism versus individualism, the land ethic, and deep ecology. (Same as Philosophy 258.)


Examines the political, legal, and institutional dimension of international efforts to protect the environment. Problems discussed include transboundary and marine pollution, maintaining biodiversity, and global climate change. (Same as Government 263.)


Examines how the federal government in the United States, as well as states, communities, businesses, and nonprofits, can address climate change and energy issues. Compares American policies and politics with efforts in other countries and examines the links between American policies and efforts in other nations. (Same as Government 264.)

Prerequisite: One course in environmental studies or government, or permission of the instructor.


Bowdoin faculty and students have been traveling to the Arctic since 1860, studying northern environments and cultures, and exploring unmapped regions. Their work is part of a longer history involving Westerners who have been exploring the Arctic for centuries, drawn by a desire to map the geography of the earth, claim lands and their resources, find new shipping routes, understand Arctic environments, and develop insights into the lifeways of northern indigenous peoples. Examines some of the social, economic, political, and scientific factors shaping Arctic exploration. The ways in which expeditions and specific explorers affected and continue to affect northern peoples, the general public, and the contemporary geopolitical landscape will be examined. Students will read published accounts and unpublished journals and papers, and will study archival photographs and motion picture films. (Same as Anthropology 266.)

Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or 102.


Principles and problems in coastal oceanography, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary inquiry. Topics include circulation and sediment transport within estuaries and on the continental shelf, impact of human systems on the marine environment, and issues and controversies of eutrophication and hypoxia in the coastal environment. (Same as Geology 267.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.

[268c,d - IP. African Environmental History. (Same as Africana Studies 267 and History 267.)]


The interaction of water and geological materials within the hydrologic cycle, with emphasis on groundwater resources and quality. Qualitative and quantitative examination of the movement of groundwater in aquifers. (Same as Geology 275.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.

Everyone lives in a watershed, but how do watersheds function, both naturally and increasingly as impacted by humans? Examines the movement and modification of water through the landscape, emphasizing such topics as natural and human controls of water quality, streamflow generation and surface-groundwater interactions, watershed modeling, and approaches to watershed management. Students perform an integrated investigation of a local watershed, examining natural and human controls on hydrologic processes. (Same as Geology 276.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or Biology 158 (same as Chemistry 105 [formerly Chemistry 180] and Environmental Studies 201).


Plants can be found growing under remarkably stressful conditions. Even your own backyard poses challenges to plant growth and reproduction. Survival is possible only because of a diverse suite of elegant physiological and morphological adaptations. The physiological ecology of plants from extreme habitats (e.g., tundra, desert, hypersaline) is discussed, along with the responses of plants to environmental factors such as light and temperature. Readings from the primary literature facilitate class discussion. Excursions into the field and laboratory exercises complement class material. (Same as Biology 280.)

Prerequisite: Biology 210, 225, or 327.


Examines the role of environmental education within environmental studies while providing students with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience within a local elementary school. Students read, research, analyze, discuss, and write about theoretical essays, articles, and books from the field of environmental education, in addition to theoretical material on pedagogy and lesson plans. Topics discussed include ecological literacy, the historical roots of environmental education, globalization, sustainable education, and policy implications of environmental education. In addition, students teach at least one hour weekly. Students develop lesson plans and reflect on their experience of teaching environmental education lessons.

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 101.


[305a. Environmental Fate of Organic Chemicals. (Same as Chemistry 305.)]


The earth’s environment has changed in both subtle and dramatic ways over the last 20,000 years. Some changes have resulted from natural processes, while others have been triggered by human activities. Examines the complex relationships between cultures and environments using examples drawn from archaeological, ethnohistorical, and historical records. Why do some cultures adapt successfully to changes in marine and terrestrial conditions, shifts in resource availability, and catastrophic events, while others fail? What can we learn from these examples as we reflect on contemporary responses to environmental change? Case studies will be drawn from around the world. Students will work with archaeological, cultural, and paleoenvironmental data. (Same as Anthropology 312.)

Prerequisite: Anthropology 101, 102, or Sociology 101; and two 200-level courses in anthropology, archaeology, environmental studies, or sociology.


Seminar. Analysis of externalities and market failure; models of optimum control of pollution and efficient management of renewable and nonrenewable natural resources such as fisheries,
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forests, and minerals; governmental vs. other forms of control of common-pool resources; and benefit-cost analysis of policies, including market-based and non-market valuation. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 218 or 228. (Same as Economics 318.)

Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257.


Human activities over the last several centuries have transformed landscapes, altered biogeochemical cycles, and moved species from one continent to another. These changes have resulted in widespread species extinction and climate change. Emphasis is on the implications of ecosystem degradation, climate change, and species introductions for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Course consists of lectures and student-led discussions of current and classic primary literature. (Same as Biology 327.)

Prerequisite: Biology 158 (same as Chemistry 105 [formerly Chemistry 180] and Environmental Studies 201), 215, or 219.


Seminar. From tenements to the projects, picturesque Borderlands to standardized suburbia, and on to recent efforts at affordable and sustainable housing, explores the history of home in North America for people of all social classes. Based on the premise that the places we live in, whether by choice or circumstance, offer powerful statements about human values and desires, political and social ideals and practices, changing ideas of family and gender, and private and public life. (Same as History 289.)

Prerequisite: Physics 229, 255, 256, or 300, or permission of the instructor.


A rigorous treatment of the earth’s climate, based on physical principles. Topics include climate feedbacks, sensitivity to perturbations, and the connections between climate and radiative transfer, atmospheric composition, and large-scale circulation of the oceans and atmospheres. Anthropogenic climate change will also be studied. (Same as Geology 357 and Physics 357.)

Prerequisite: Physics 229, 255, 256, or 300, or permission of the instructor.


Examines the complex relationship between law and policy in international relations by focusing on two important and rapidly developing areas of international concern: environmental protection and humanitarian rights. Fulfills the environmental studies senior seminar requirement. (Same as Government 363.)

Prerequisite: Government 260, 261, or 263, or permission of the instructor.

[365c. Picturing Nature. (Same as Art History 365.)]


[391. Troubled Waters: Fishing in the Gulf of Maine.]


Examines philosophical, moral, political, and policy questions regarding various environmental issues. Possible topics include the ethics of climate change policy, our obligations to future generations, benefit-cost analysis vs. the precautionary principle as a decision-making instrument, and the relationship between justice and sustainability. (Same as Philosophy 392.)
393a. Advanced Seminar in Geology. Every spring. Spring 2009. THE GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT.

Offers students the opportunity to synthesize work done in geology courses, to critically read and discuss articles, to listen to speakers prominent in the discipline, and to write scientific essays. Specific topic varies by year; possible topics include Global Environmental Changes in the Oceans, Estuaries, and Mountain Belts. Required for the major in geology. Open to junior or senior geology majors or minors, or interdisciplinary majors in geology-chemistry and geology-physics. (Same as Geology 393.)

Prerequisite: Geology 101 and 202, and 275 or 276, or permission of the instructor.

394a. The Ecology and Environmental History of Merrymeeting Bay. Fall 2008. JOHN LICHTER.

Merrymeeting Bay, a globally rare, inland freshwater river delta and estuary that supports productive and diverse biological communities, is home to numerous rare and endangered species and is critical habitat for migratory and resident waterfowl, as well as anadromous fish. Explores the ecology and environmental history of Merrymeeting Bay in order to understand how its rare natural habitats might best be managed. Students participate in a thorough review of the scientific and historical literature related to Merrymeeting Bay, and help plan, conduct, and analyze a group study investigating some aspect of the ecology and/or environmental history of the bay, with the intent of submitting a manuscript for publication in an appropriate scientific journal. (Same as Biology 394.)

Prerequisite: Biology 158 (same as Chemistry 105 [formerly Chemistry 180] and Environmental Studies 201) or 215 (same as Environmental Studies 215).

395b. Advanced Seminar in Environmental Policy and Politics. Spring 2009. DEWITT JOHN.

Examines a complex current environmental issue in depth. Explores the underlying social, economic, scientific, and cultural dimensions of the issue; reviews how this and related issues have been addressed so far by state and local governments as well as by the federal government; analyzes current policy-making efforts; and suggests lessons from this policy area about the capacity of public institutions to deal effectively with complex issues. Equal attention given to the substance of public policy, the political process, and implementation of past and proposed policies. Focuses primarily on the United States but will consider experiences in other nations as points of comparison and also any relevant international dimensions of the issue. (Same as Government 395.)

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 202 or permission of the instructor.


Exploration of advanced concepts in ecology and evolutionary biology, and the natural history of plants, animals, and ecosystems in winter in Maine. Structured around group research projects in the field. Each week, field trips focus on a different study site, set of questions, and taxon (e.g., host specificity in wood fungi, foraging behavior of aquatic insects, estimation of mammal population densities, winter flocking behavior in birds). Students learn to identify local winter flora and fauna, evaluate readings from the primary literature, analyze data from field research projects, and present their results each week in a research seminar. Field trip to the Bowdoin Scientific Station on Kent Island. (Same as Biology 397.)

Prerequisite: Biology 215 or 258, or permission of the instructor.

401–404. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Environmental Studies. THE PROGRAM.
The following courses count toward the requirements of the Interdisciplinary Science Concentration, in addition to ES courses designated with an “a”:

**Chemistry 210a - MCSR, INS. Chemical Analysis.** Every fall. **Elizabeth A. Stemmler.**

**Chemistry 240a - MCSR, INS. Inorganic Chemistry.** Every spring. **Jeffrey K. Nagle.**

The art department invites Art/Environmental Studies independent studies. Contact art department faculty or the environmental studies program director.

Students may also choose from the following list of courses to satisfy requirements for the major in environmental studies. These courses will receive environmental studies credit with the approval of the director after consultation with the student and the instructor. It is expected that a substantial portion of the student’s research efforts will focus on the environment. In addition to the courses listed below, students may discuss other possibilities with the Environmental Studies Program. For full course descriptions and prerequisites, see the appropriate department listings.

**Social Sciences**

**Anthropology 102b,d. Introduction to World Prehistory.** Fall 2008. **Scott MacEachern.**

**Anthropology 221b - ESD. The Rise of Civilization.** Fall 2008. **Scott MacEachern.**

**Humanities**

**Visual Arts 190c - VPA. Architectural Design I.** Fall 2008. **Wiebke Theodore.**

**Film Studies**

*Associate Professor: Tricia Welsch, Chair  
Department Coordinator: Emily C. Briley*

Film has emerged as one of the most important art forms of the twentieth century. Film studies at Bowdoin introduces students to the grammar, history, and literature of film in order to cultivate an understanding of both the vision and craft of film artists and the views of society and culture expressed in cinema. Bowdoin College does not offer a major in film studies.

**Requirements for the Minor in Film Studies**

The minor consists of five courses, four of which must be courses offered by the Department of Film Studies. One course must come from another department’s offerings, and at least one course must be at the 300 level or be an independent study. No more than two courses below the 200 level (including **Film Studies 101**) will count toward the minor. Courses in which D grades are received will not count toward the minor. Courses taken on a non-graded basis (Credit/D/Fail) will not count toward the minor.

**Required Courses:**

- **Film Studies 101**
- **Film Studies 201** or **Film Studies 202** (both 201 and 202 may be counted toward the minor)
Pre-approved Courses Outside the Film Studies Department:

Students may choose from the following list of courses to satisfy the requirement for a course outside the film studies department. A student may also petition the department to gain approval for a course not on this list. Such courses must concentrate on film for the major part of their curriculum. Students wishing to have a particular course considered toward the minor should submit supporting materials from the course (such as syllabus, reading list, and assignments) to the chair of the film studies department.

Asian Studies 254c,d - IP, VPA. Transnational Chinese Cinema
Gender and Women’s Studies 261c - ESD. Gender, Film, and Consumer Culture
German 151c - ESD. The Literary Imagination and the Holocaust
[German 154c - IP, VPA. Laugh and Cry! Post World War II German Film]
[German 321c - IP. Before and After the Wall: East German Traditions in Literature, Culture, and Film]
German 394c - IP. Contested Discourse: German Popular Film since Unification
Russian 221c - IP. Soviet Worker Bees, Revolution, and Red Love in Russian Film (same as Gender and Women’s Studies 220)

First-Year Seminar
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

[10c. Cultural Difference and the Crime Film.]

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

101c - VPA. Film Narrative. Fall 2008. TRICIA WELSCH.

An introduction to a variety of methods used to study motion pictures, with consideration given to films from different countries and time periods. Examines techniques and strategies used to construct films, including mise-en-scène, editing, sound, and the orchestration of film techniques in larger formal systems. Surveys some of the contextual factors shaping individual films and our experiences of them (including mode of production, genre, authorship, and ideology). No previous experience with film studies is required. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

201c - VPA. History of Film I, 1895 to 1935. Every other fall. Fall 2009. TRICIA WELSCH.

Examines the development of film from its origins to the American studio era. Includes early work by the Lumière, Méliès, and Porter, and continues with Griffith, Murnau, Eisenstein, Chaplin, Keaton, Stroheim, Pudovkin, Lang, Renoir, and von Sternberg. Special attention is paid to the practical and theoretical concerns over the coming of sound. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

202c - VPA. History of Film II, 1935 to 1975. Every other spring. Spring 2010. TRICIA WELSCH.

A consideration of the diverse production contexts and political circumstances influencing cinema history in the sound era. National film movements to be studied include Neorealism, the French New Wave, and the New German Cinema, as well as the coming of age of Asian and Australian film. Also explores the shift away from studio production in the United States,
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the major regulatory systems, and the changes in popular film genres. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

[222c - VPA. Images of America in Film.]

224c - VPA. The Films of Alfred Hitchcock. Spring 2009. TRICIA WELSCH.

Considers the films of Alfred Hitchcock from his career in British silent cinema to the Hollywood productions of the 1970s. Examines his working methods and style of visual composition, as well as consistent themes and characterizations. Of particular interest is his adaptation of Daphne du Maurier’s Rebecca as a way of exploring the tensions between literary sources and film, and between British and American production contexts. Ends with a brief look at Hitchcock’s television career and his influence on recent film. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

Prerequisite: Film Studies 101, 201, or 202.

252c - VPA. British Film. Spring 2009. TRICIA WELSCH.

Surveys the first hundred years of British cinema from the silent period to contemporary films. Topics covered: invention of cinema and patterns of movie-going in the United Kingdom; work of important directors and producers (Alfred Hitchcock, Carol Reed, Alexander Korda); changes brought by World War II; the Angry Young Men of the ‘50s and ‘60s; and recent developments (“heritage” films, postcolonial perspectives, Scottish film). Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

Prerequisite: Film Studies 101, 201, or 202.

262c - VPA. Film and Literature. Spring 2010. TRICIA WELSCH.

Considers the adaptation of short stories, novels, and plays into films, as well as work by major writers directly for the screen. Examines the differing needs and priorities of writers working in different formats, and the relation of readers to screen adaptations. Writers may include Shelley, Brontë, Fowles, Pinter, McEwen, Hardy, Woolf, Forster, Shakespeare, Austen, Dickens. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

Prerequisite: Film Studies 101, 201, or 202.

291c–294c. Intermediate Independent Study in Film Studies. THE DEPARTMENT.

[310c. Gay and Lesbian Cinema. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 310 and Gender and Women’s Studies 310.)]

321c. German Expressionism and Its Legacy. Fall 2009. TRICIA WELSCH.

Considers the flowering of German cinema during the Weimar Republic and its enormous impact on American film. Examines work produced in Germany from 1919 to 1933, the films made by German expatriates in Hollywood after Hitler’s rise to power, and the wide influence of the expressionist tradition in the following decades. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

Prerequisite: Film Studies 101, 201, or 202.

[322c. Film and Biography.]

333c. The Films of John Ford. Fall 2008. TRICIA WELSCH.

Examines the films of John Ford, from the silent period to the 1960s. Considers his working methods and visual composition, as well as consistent themes and characterizations. Investigates Ford’s reputation in light of shifting American cultural values. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required.

Prerequisite: Film Studies 101, 201, or 202.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study in Film Studies. THE DEPARTMENT.
The purpose of the first-year seminar program is to introduce college-level disciplines and to contribute to students’ understanding of the ways in which a specific discipline may relate to other areas in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. A major emphasis of each seminar is placed upon the improvement of students’ skills—their ability to read texts effectively and to write prose that is carefully organized, concise, and firmly based upon evidence.

Each year a number of departments offer first-year seminars. Enrollment in each is limited to sixteen students. Sufficient seminars are offered to ensure that every first-year student has the opportunity to participate during at least one semester of the first year. Registration for the seminars takes place before registration for other courses, to facilitate scheduling. A complete listing of first-year seminars being offered in the 2008–2009 academic year follows.

**Africana Studies 10b.d. Racism.** Fall 2008. ROY PARTRIDGE.
Examines issues of racism in the United States, with attention to the social psychology of racism, its history, its relationship to social structure, and its ethical and moral implications. (Same as Sociology 10.)

*Note:* This course counts toward the major and minor in gender and women’s studies.

**Africana Studies 14c.d. Migration Narratives: Writers of the Caribbean.** Fall 2008. JARRETT BROWN.
International as well as intranational, geographical as well as psychological, migratory movement is a powerful theme that offers explanations for modernity, memory, identity, and transnationalism. Examines selected writers engaged primarily with Caribbean migratory experience. Authors and texts may include Samuel Selvon, The Lonely Londoners; Claude McKay, Banjo; Jamaica Kincaid, Lucy; Maryse Conde, Tales from the Heart: True Stories from my Childhood; Caryl Phillips, The Final Passage; V. S. Naipaul, Mr Stone and the Knights Companion; and Edwidge Danticat, The Dew Breaker. (Same as English 14 and Latin American Studies 14.)

**Africana Studies 16c.d. Love and Trouble: Black Women Writers.** Fall 2008. GUY MARK FOSTER.
Introduces students to the twin themes of love and sex as they appear in literary texts written by African American women from the nineteenth century to the contemporary era. These texts explore such issues as sexism, group loyalty, racial authenticity, intra- and interracial desire, homosexuality, the intertextual unfolding of a literary tradition of black female writing, as well as how these writings relate to canonical African American male-authored texts and European American literary traditions. Students are expected to read texts closely, critically, appreciatively. (Same as English 16.)

**Africana Studies 17c.d. The Intermarriage Plot in American Fiction.** Fall 2008. TESS CHAKKALAKAL.
Engages a series of novels and short stories that respond, either negatively or positively, to the prohibitions against intermarriage in the United States. Examines the ways in which fiction participates in the political discourse of marriage during the nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries. Although focused primarily on early American and African American narratives, students will also have the opportunity to see how the structure of the intermarriage plot operates in more recent works of fiction and films. Considers works by Lydia Maria Child, William Wells Brown, Charles Chesnutt, and William Dean Howells, among others. (Same as English 17.)
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Beginning with W. E. B. Du Bois’s serial magazine of the 1920s, The Brownies’ Book, explores a century of African American literature for and about children. Examines the strong tradition of child-narrated fiction for teens and adults from the 1960s and 70s by such writers as Ernest Gaines, Toni Morrison, Toni Cade Bambara, Louise Meriwether, and Ann Petry. Considers the emergence of a conscious Black Arts aesthetic in children’s literature and its relationship to the flowering of multicultural children’s literature in recent decades. Explores prize-winning fiction and graphic narratives for middle readers and adolescents as well as the collaborations of writers and artists in the contemporary “golden age” of African American picture books. (Same as English 20.)


Explores the American Civil War through an examination of popular films dedicated to the topic. Students analyze films as a representation of the past, considering not simply their historical subject matter, but also the cultural and political contexts in which they are made. Films include The Birth of a Nation, Gone with the Wind, Glory, and Cold Mountain. Weekly evening film screenings. (Same as History 25.)

[Anthropology 20b. Fantastic Archaeology.]


As the highest mountains on earth, the Himalayas have held the fascination of many people around the world. Investigates two divergent cultures that exist at the “Top of the World”: the culture of climbing expeditions on Everest, and the culture of the ethnic group commonly referred to as Sherpas. How do the extreme conditions on Everest create a shared culture among mountaineers? Who are the Sherpas, and how has their interaction with climbers altered their identity? What is the nature of the interdependence and the brokerage of power between two such parties? Explores the issues of cultural identity that accompany global tourism by examining the intersection of these two groups. (Same as Latin American Studies 25.)

[Anthropology 25b, Anthropology 25d. Tasting Hierarchies: Food in Latin America. (Same as Latin American Studies 25.)]


Examines the painting of Pablo Picasso and Henri Matisse, in the context of modern painting, philosophy, and history. Particular attention is paid to the creative exchanges and rivalries between the two artists, as well as their role in the popular understanding of modern art and the role of the artist in society.


Explores key issues in the interpretation of artworks from a variety of cultures and time periods. Begins with mastery of a descriptive vocabulary for analysis of paintings, prints, drawings, photographs, sculpture, and architecture. Investigates ways that artists are responsible for determining the “meaning” of the works they create, as they represent the visible world, abstract ideas, thoughts, or emotions. Explores ways that art acquires meaning, following artworks as they are received, interpreted, used, and even abused by various audiences (e.g., critics, curators, collectors, the public at large). Examines ways that artists have sought to influence public opinion by creating works that address the most pressing social and political issues of their times. Includes hands-on experience with artworks from the Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

[Asian Studies 11c, Asian Studies 11d. Living in the Sixteenth Century. (Same as History 13.)]

Surveys the diverse political, social, and economic arrangements across East Asia. China, Japan, and North and South Korea are the main focus, but attention is also paid to the other countries in the region. Examines the relationship between democracy and economic change in East Asia, and asks if the relationship is different in Asia than elsewhere in the world. Other questions include: Are there common “Asian values” and if so, what are they? What is the role of Confucianism in shaping social, political, and economic life in the region? How are economic and technological developments affecting traditional social institutions such as families? How is the status of women changing? What lies ahead for Asia? (Same as Government 19.)


Examines the impact of media including the Internet, newspapers, and television, on politics and society in cross-national perspective. Asks how differences in the ownership and regulation of media affect how news is selected and presented, and looks at various forms of government censorship and commercial self-censorship. Also considers the role of the media and “pop culture” in creating national identities, perpetuating ethnic stereotypes, and providing regime legitimation; and explores the impact of satellite television and the Internet on rural societies and authoritarian governments. (Same as Government 20.)

[Classics 16c. Cultural Connections in the Ancient Mediterranean.]

Classics 17c. The Heroic Age: Ancient Supermen and Wonder Women. Fall 2008. Michael NerdaHL.

The modern concept of the superhero is an enduring vestige of the ancient concept of the “hero,” the ancient Greek word used to describe men of exceptional ability. Looks at heroes and heroines in ancient literature and culture, considering a range of sources from ancient Babylon to imperial Rome. Considers the changing definition of “hero,” the cultural values associated with heroism, the role played by gender and sexuality in the definition of the hero, and analogues to ancient heroes in modern cinema. Examines more nebulous and problematic models for the ancient “villain” and considers how contrasting definitions of hero and antihero can be used to understand ancient thought concerning human nature.


Why do you go to school? What is the central purpose of public education in the United States? Should public schools prepare students for college? The workforce? Competent citizenship? Who makes these decisions and through what policy process are they implemented? Explores the ways that public school reformers have answered such questions, from the “Common School Crusaders” of the early nineteenth century to present advocates of “No Child Left Behind.” Examining public education as both a product of social, political, and economic change and as a force in molding American society, highlights enduring tensions in the development and practice of public schooling in a democratic republic.


Analysis of the work of authors who may include Robert Frost, William Carlos Williams, Wallace Stevens, and Marianne Moore.


American drama does not come into its own until after World War I but then enjoys a real flowering, particularly on Broadway. Focuses on O’Neill’s Long Day’s Journey Into Night, Miller’s Death of a Salesman, Wilder’s Our Town, and Williams’s The Glass Menagerie.
Also considers work by Odets, Inge, Albee, Wilson, Mamet, Shepherd, Vogel, Bock, and others. Students will have an opportunity to make theater as well. Course writing requirements include four five-page papers and a final ten-page paper.

**English 12c. Jane Austen.** Fall 2008. **Ann Kibbie.**

A study of Jane Austen’s major works, Sense and Sensibility, Pride and Prejudice, Emma, Mansfield Park, and Persuasion, and their film adaptations. (Same as **Gender and Women’s Studies 13.**)

**English 13c. Transfigurations of Song.** Fall 2008. **David Collings.**

A course in close reading. Explores poetry, primarily in the Romantic tradition, which dallies with the dangers of lyrical transport, whether in the form of fusion with the divine, aesthetic seduction, impossible quest, or physical transfiguration. Authors may include Coleridge, Wordsworth, Keats, Tennyson, Yeats, Crane, and Stevens.


International as well as intranational, geographical as well as psychological, migratory movement is a powerful theme that offers explanations for modernity, memory, identity, and transnationalism. Examines selected writers engaged primarily with Caribbean migratory experience. Authors and texts may include Samuel Selvon, The Lonely Londoners; Claude McKay, Banjo; Jamaica Kincaid, Lucy; Maryse Conde, Tales from the Heart: True Stories from my Childhood; Caryl Phillips, The Final Passage; V. S. Naipaul, Mr Stone and the Knights Companion; and Edwidge Danticat, The Dew Breaker. (Same as **Africana Studies 14 and Latin American Studies 14.**)

**English 15c. Stoic Heroes and Disenchanted Knights.** Fall 2008. **Mary Agnes Edsall.**

An inquiry into the construction of heroic and chivalric masculinities in literature from Virgil to Chaucer, with a strong focus on the historical and social contexts that help make these pre-modern texts intelligible. Attention given to sex/gender systems; to the ideological power of myth, legend, and romance; and to the afterlife of ideals of heroism and chivalry. Texts may include Virgil’s Aeneid, Beowulf, The Song of Roland, Chrétien de Troyes’ The Knight of the Lion, Chaucer’s Knight’s Tale, and selections from the nineteenth-century “chivalric revival.”

**English 16c.d. Love and Trouble: Black Women Writers.** Fall 2008. **Guy Mark Foster.**

Introduces students to the twin themes of love and sex as they appear in literary texts written by African American women from the nineteenth century to the contemporary era. These texts explore such issues as sexism, group loyalty, racial authenticity, intra- and interracial desire, homosexuality, the intertextual unfolding of a literary tradition of black female writing, as well as how these writings relate to canonical African American male-authored texts and European American literary traditions. Students are expected to read texts closely, critically, appreciatively. (Same as **Africana Studies 16.**)

**English 17c.d. The Intermarriage Plot in American Fiction.** Fall 2008. **Tess Chakkalakal.**

Engages a series of novels and short stories that respond, either negatively or positively, to the prohibitions against intermarriage in the United States. Examines the ways in which fiction participates in the political discourse of marriage during the nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries. Although focused primarily on early American and African American narratives, students will also have the opportunity to see how the structure of the intermarriage plot
operates in more recent works of fiction and films. Considers works by Lydia Maria Child, William Wells Brown, Charles Chesnutt, and William Dean Howells, among others. (Same as Africana Studies 17.)

**English 18c. Photographic Narratives.** Fall 2008. TERRI NICKEL.

Traces the impact of emergent photographic technology and explores various intersections between photography and literature in the Victorian era. Examines the representation of photographs and photographers in novels and short fiction, analyzes early photographs as texts, and assesses photography’s impact on literary realism. Texts may include *The House of the Seven Gables*, *A Laodicean*, *The Romance of a Shop*, *Idylls of the King*, *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland*, *The Red Badge of Courage*, short stories by Conan Doyle, Henry James, Thomas Hardy, and photographs by Lewis Carroll, Matthew Brady, Julia Margaret Cameron, Jacob Riis, Clementina Hawarden, Roger Fenton, Arthur Munby, and Oscar Rejlander.

**English 19c. Imaginary Plagues.** Spring 2009. ANN KIBBIE.

Explores the representation of plagues and epidemic diseases in literature and film. Novels will include Daniel Defoe’s *A Journal of the Plague Year*, Albert Camus’ *The Plague* and José Saramago’s *Blindness*. Films will include Elia Kazan’s *Panic in the Streets*; Don Siegel’s *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* (1956) and Philip Kaufman’s 1978 remake; and John Carpenter’s *The Thing* (1982).

**English 20c.d. African American Children’s Literature.** Spring 2009. ELIZABETH MUTHER.

Beginning with W. E. B. Du Bois’s serial magazine of the 1920s, *The Brownies’ Book*, explores a century of African American literature for and about children. Examines the strong tradition of child-narrated fiction for teens and adults from the 1960s and 70s by such writers as Ernest Gaines, Toni Morrison, Toni Cade Bambara, Louise Meriwether, and Ann Petry. Considers the emergence of a conscious Black Arts aesthetic in children’s literature and its relationship to the flowering of multicultural children’s literature in recent decades. Explores prize-winning fiction and graphic narratives for middle readers and adolescents as well as the collaborations of writers and artists in the contemporary “golden age” of African American picture books. (Same as Africana Studies 20.)

**English 21c. Shakespeare’s Afterlives.** Spring 2009. AARON KITCH.

Falstaff in the suburbs, Richard III in Nazi Germany, King Lear on an Iowa farm. Explores how England’s most famous author has been translated and appropriated over the centuries. Topics include political, aesthetic, and cultural meanings in the process of adapting Shakespeare as well as the media shift a play experiences as it moves from page to stage to image (and sometimes back again). In addition to reading representative plays by Shakespeare, authors may include W. H. Auden, Isak Denisen, Tom Stoppard, and Jane Smiley. Screenings of films may include Richard Loncraine’s *Richard III* and Peter Greenaway’s *Prospero’s Books*.

**English 22c. Femmes Fatales, Ladykillers, and Other Dangerous Women.** Spring 2009. AVIVA BRIEFEL.

Explores a popular cinematic image: the dangerous—and sometimes deadly—woman. By analyzing a range of films from classical Hollywood cinema to the present day, explores the various forms that this female figure assumes: the femme fatale, the tragic mulatto, the jealous or vindictive woman, the murderous lesbian, the revenge seeker, etc. Examines why the various permutations of the dangerous female have attained such a prevalent place on the silver screen. What is so seductive about the deadly woman? Also introduces students to film criticism. Films may include *Basic Instinct*, *Carrie*, *Double Indemnity*, *Fatal Attraction*, *Gilda*, *Kill Bill*, *Mildred Pierce*, *Sunset Boulevard*, *Thelma and Louise*, and *Vertigo*. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 22 and Gender and Women’s Studies 19.)
English 23c. Arab and Jew in Literature and Film. Spring 2009. MARILYN REIZBAUM.

Considers the interface between Arabs and Jews as produced on page and screen. Offers both geographical and generic range, bringing into view texts that talk to each other across ethnic, religious, historical, and theoretical boundaries. When these two figures are placed in relation to each other, they must invoke the Middle East, in particular Palestine-Israel: discusses works in translation, fiction and poetry, from the broad region, and may include authors Anton Shammas, Mahmoud Darwish, Ronit Matalon, Shimon Ballas, Haim Hazazz; writers in English such as Naomi Shihab Nye, Ammiel Alcalay, Philip Roth, Edward Said, and Ella Shohat; films by Elia Suleiman (Chronicle of a Disappearance), Khleifi (Wedding in Galilee), Gitai (Kippur), Abu-Assad (Paradise Now), Kolirin (The Band's Visit), Kassovitz (Hate); and visual artists Mona Hatoum and Adi Nes.


What accounts for the persistence of the “frontier myth” in American history, and why do Americans continue to find the idea so attractive? Explores the creation of and disputes over what became of the western United States from 1763 to the present. Topics include Euro-American relations with Native Americans; the creation of borders and national identities; the effect of nature and ideology; the role of labor and gender in the backcountry; and the enduring influence of frontier imagery in popular culture. (Same as History 15.)

[Film Studies 10c. Cultural Difference and the Crime Film.]

Gay and Lesbian Studies 16c. Sex and the Church. Fall 2008. ELIZABETH PRITCHARD.

An examination of the themes, varieties, and conflicts of Christian teachings and practices regarding sex and sexuality. Source materials include the Bible, historical analyses, Church dogmatics, and contemporary legal cases. Although the focus of the course is on Catholic traditions, the course will include comparative analyses of the sexual ethics of other Christian denominations. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 17 and Religion 16.)

Gay and Lesbian Studies 22c. Femmes Fatales, Lady Killers, and Other Dangerous Women. Spring 2009. AVIVA BRIEFEL.

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Gender and Women’s Studies 13c. Jane Austen. Fall 2008. ANN KIBBIE.

A study of Jane Austen’s major works, Sense and Sensibility, Pride and Prejudice, Emma, Mansfield Park, and Persuasion, and their film adaptations. (Same as English 12.)

Gender and Women’s Studies 17c. Sex and the Church. Fall 2008. ELIZABETH PRITCHARD.

An examination of the themes, varieties, and conflicts of Christian teachings and practices regarding sex and sexuality. Source materials include the Bible, historical analyses, Church dogmatics, and contemporary legal cases. Although the focus of the course is on Catholic traditions, the course will include comparative analyses of the sexual ethics of other Christian denominations. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 16 and Religion 16.)
Gender and Women’s Studies 19c. Femmes Fatales, Lady Killers, and Other Dangerous Women. Spring 2009. AVIVA BRIEDEL.

Explores a popular cinematic image: the dangerous—and sometimes deadly—woman. By analyzing a range of films from classical Hollywood cinema to the present day, explores the various forms that this female figure assumes: the femme fatale, the tragic mulatto, the jealous or vindictive woman, the murderous lesbian, the revenge seeker, etc. Examines why the various permutations of the dangerous female have attained such a prevalent place on the silver screen. What is so seductive about the deadly woman? Also introduces students to film criticism. Films may include Basic Instinct, Carrie, Double Indemnity, Fatal Attraction, Gilda, Kill Bill, Mildred Pierce, Sunset Boulevard, Thelma and Louise, and Vertigo. (Same as English 22 and Gay and Lesbian Studies 22.)

[Gender and Women’s Studies 20c. In Sickness and in Health: Public Health in Europe and the United States. (Same as History 20.)]


Examines different strategies for preventing and controlling armed conflict in international society, and emphasizes the role of diplomacy, international law, and international organizations in the peace-making process.


The Korean War is often called “the forgotten war” because it is overshadowed by World War II and the Vietnam War, yet many important aspects and results of it are mirrored in the contemporary world. Korea is still divided and its situation as a buffer state between China, Russia, and Japan continues to have important policy ramifications for the United States. Focuses not just on the course of the war, but on the foreign policy assumptions of the two Korean governments, the United States, the People’s Republic of China, and Russia.

[Government 12b. Becoming Modern.]


Surveys the diverse political, social, and economic arrangements across East Asia. China, Japan, and North and South Korea are the main focus, but attention is also paid to the other countries in the region. Examines the relationship between democracy and economic change in East Asia, and asks if the relationship is different in Asia than elsewhere in the world. Other questions include: Are there common “Asian values” and if so, what are they? What is the role of Confucianism in shaping social, political, and economic life in the region? How are economic and technological developments affecting traditional social institutions such as families? How is the status of women changing? What lies ahead for Asia? (Same as Asian Studies 19.)


Examines the impact of media including the Internet, newspapers, and television, on politics and society in cross-national perspective. Asks how differences in the ownership and regulation of media affect how news is selected and presented, and looks at various forms of government censorship and commercial self-censorship. Also considers the role of the media and “pop culture” in creating national identities, perpetuating ethnic stereotypes, and providing regime legitimation; and explores the impact of satellite television and the Internet on rural societies and authoritarian governments. (Same as Asian Studies 20.)

Especially since 9/11, America has been criticized for its global dominance and accused of harboring imperial ambitions. Examines a long history of conquest and control by strong countries over weak, focusing on the expansion of European influence over much of the globe, which involved both direct settlement and indirect control. Assesses the motivations for this expansion and the economic, social, and political consequences it had within Europe and in the peripheral areas of conquest. Considers whether the United States, as the current world hegemon and compared to historical world powers, is abusing its power or making the world a more peaceful place.

[Government 24b. Political Theory and Utopia.]


Explores the fundamental questions in political life: What is justice? What is happiness? Are human beings equal or unequal by nature? Do they even have a nature, or are they “socially constructed”? Are there ethical standards for political action that exist prior to law and, if so, where do they come from? Nature? God? History? Readings may include Plato, the Bible, Machiavelli, Shakespeare, Marx, Mill, and Nietzsche.


An introduction to the fundamental issues of political philosophy: human nature, the relationship between individual and political community, the nature of justice, the place of virtue, the idea of freedom, and the role of history. Readings span both ancient and modern philosophical literature. Authors include Plato, Aristotle, Hobbes, Rousseau, Hegel, Mill, and Nietzsche.

[History 10c. Monsters, Marvels, and Messiahs: Europe during the Age of Discovery.]

[History 11c. Memoirs and Memory in American History.]


An examination of the evolution of utopian visions and utopian experiments that begins in 1630 with John Winthrop’s “City upon a Hill,” explores the proliferation of both religious and secular communal ventures between 1780 and 1920, and concludes with an examination of twentieth-century counterculture communes, intentional communities, and dystopian separatists. Readings include primary source accounts by members (letters, diaries, essays, etc.), “community” histories and apostate exposés, utopian fiction, and scholarly historical analyses. Discussions and essays focus on teaching students how to subject primary and secondary source materials to critical analysis.

[History 13c.d. Living in the Sixteenth Century. (Same as Asian Studies 11.)]

[History 14c. The Atomic Bomb and American Society.]


What accounts for the persistence of the “frontier myth” in American history, and why do Americans continue to find the idea so attractive? Explores the creation of and disputes over what became of the western United States from 1763 to the present. Topics include Euro-American relations with Native Americans; the creation of borders and national identities; the effect of nature and ideology; the role of labor and gender in the backcountry; and the enduring influence of frontier imagery in popular culture. (Same as Environmental Studies 15.)
History 16c.d. From Montezuma to Bin Laden: Globalization and Its Critics.


Pursues a critical analysis of historical arguments in general and racial historical arguments in particular. Examines the debates over the 3/5 rule in the Constitution, slavery, Native American policy, segregation, nonwhite immigration, Japanese internment in World War II, the Civil Rights Movement, and post CRM “nonracial” racial policy including the Obama presidential campaign. Each debate will be looked at in its own context and for the structure of its argument. Includes online and classroom components.

History 20c. In Sickness and in Health: Public Health in Europe and the United States. (Same as Gender and Women's Studies 20.)


Examines the cultural history of modern Europe through the eyes of those who rejected the popular notion that science and technology could bring about universal improvement. Examines skeptical visions of modernity’s future that existed alongside more hopeful views of progress. Examines imaginative works of dystopian fiction and science fiction films and contextualizes them by examining the real world events and historical transformations that inspired such nightmares. Topics include the expansion of the state; the birth of psychoanalysis, marketing, and propaganda; the development of industrial war technologies; the rise of totalitarianism; genocide; mass communication and the information revolution.


Explores the American Civil War through an examination of popular films dedicated to the topic. Students analyze films as a representation of the past, considering not simply their historical subject matter, but also the cultural and political contexts in which they are made. Films include The Birth of a Nation, Gone with the Wind, Glory, and Cold Mountain. Weekly evening film screenings. (Same as Africana Studies 25.)


Why have various types of social groups historically referred to themselves as “social movements”? Is this concept still relevant today? Does its mirror concept, “social arrest,” better describe the motion and principle behind political programs such as slow-food, conservationism (whether ecological or local-cultural), anti-globalization, and environmentalism? What does it mean that the nineteenth- and twentieth-century focus on “development” or “progress” toward a democratic or socialist ideal has given way to a twenty-first century struggle to “stop” global warming and unbridled capitalism? Through discussion of various historical readings, explores the centrality of kinetic language to the conception and performance of critical political struggle.


International as well as intranational, geographical as well as psychological, migratory movement is a powerful theme that offers explanations for modernity, memory, identity, and transnationalism. Examines selected writers engaged primarily with Caribbean migratory experience. Authors and texts may include Samuel Selvon, The Lonely Londoners; Claude McKay, Banjo; Jamaica Kincaid, Lucy; Maryse Conde, Tales from the Heart: True Stories from my Childhood; Caryl Phillips, The Final Passage; V. S. Naipaul, Mr Stone and the Knights Companion; and Edwidge Danticat, The Dew Breaker. (Same as Africana Studies 14 and English 14.)
[Latin American Studies 25b,d. Tasting Hierarchies: Food in Latin America. (Same as Anthropology 25.)]


What is the nature of poetry? This is a philosophical question, considered by using traditional and contemporary poems as examples. Also considers the relation of philosophy to poetry in the particularly interesting case of the condemnation of poetry by the Greek philosopher Plato.


Examines some ethical problems and paradoxes that arise in ordinary life, some philosophical theories that bear upon them, and some strategies for making thoughtful decisions about them. Topics may include friendship, lying, love, family obligations, charity, the treatment of animals, abortion.

**Philosophy 18c. Love.** Fall 2009. Sarah Conly.

Love. What is the nature and value of love? Why is love so important to us? Is love necessary for a successful life? If so, why? Is life-long love possible? Is love selfish or unselfish? Is the search for love destructive? Uses philosophical texts and some fictional representations to examine these and other questions.

[Philosophy 27c. Moral History.]

**Psychology 10b. What’s on Your Mind? An Introduction to the Brain and Behavior.** Every fall. Seth J. Ramus.

A general introduction to the science of psychology, with a specific emphasis on the brain’s control of human and animal behavior. Uses historical texts, “popular” science books, and primary literature to explore the mind-body connections within topics such as learning and memory, perception, development, stress, social behavior, personality, and choice.

[Religion 14c. Heresy and Orthodoxy.]


**Religion 16c. Sex and the Church.** Fall 2008. Elizabeth Pritchard.

An examination of the themes, varieties, and conflicts of Christian teachings and practices regarding sex and sexuality. Source materials include the Bible, historical analyses, Church dogmatics, and contemporary legal cases. Although the focus of the course is on Catholic traditions, the course will include comparative analyses of the sexual ethics of other Christian denominations. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 16 and Gender and Women’s Studies 17.)


A critical reading of four autobiographies (Black Elk, Malcolm X, Gandhi, and Robert Pirsig) drawn from four separate religious traditions to analyze social, psychological, and historical processes that condition religious quests cross-culturally.

[Russian 22c. “It Happens Rarely, Maybe, but It Does Happen” – Fantasy and Satire in East Central Europe.]

**Sociology 10b,d. Racism.** Fall 2008. Roy Partridge.

Examines issues of racism in the United States, with attention to the social psychology of racism, its history, its relationship to social structure, and its ethical and moral implications. (Same as Africana Studies 10.)

Note: This course counts toward the major and minor in gender and women’s studies.

[Sociology 14b. America in the 1970s.]
Sociology 16b. Deviance and Conformity.


Explores new media forms through discourses of culture, race, space, and power. From the development of the first electronic messaging systems in the 1960s to the advent of interactive social networking Web sites such as Facebook, Bebo and hi5, the role of computer-mediated communication in shaping economies, politics, and societies is discussed. Uses a wide range of sources—recent social science research, Web sites, Facebook, YouTube videos—to examine the roles of new media both in the United States and abroad.

Gay and Lesbian Studies

Administered by the Gay and Lesbian Studies Committee;
Associate Professor Aviva Briefel, Program Director
(See committee list, page 353.)

Gay and Lesbian Studies is an interdisciplinary program coordinating courses that incorporate research on sexuality, particularly on gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people. Drawing on a variety of approaches in several disciplines, such as queer theory and the history of sexuality, the program examines constructions of sexuality in institutions of knowledge, in aesthetic representation, and in modes of social practice, examining the question of sexual identity and performance across cultures and historical periods.

Requirements for the Minor in Gay and Lesbian Studies

The minor consists of five courses: Gay and Lesbian Studies 201 and four other courses from the offerings listed below, some of which will change with every academic year. Among the latter four courses, at least one must come from the social sciences and at least one from the arts and humanities division, and no more than two courses may come from any single department. Only one independent study may be counted toward the minor. Courses in which D grades are received will not count toward the minor.

First-Year Seminars

For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

(See as Gender and Women’s Studies 17 and Religion 16.)

(See as English 22 and Gender and Women’s Studies 19.)

Intermediate and Advanced Courses


An introduction to the materials, major themes, and defining methodologies of gay and lesbian studies. Considers in detail both the most visible contemporary dilemmas involving homosexuality (queer presence in pop culture, civil rights legislation, gay-bashing, AIDS, identity politics) as well as the great variety of interpretive approaches these dilemmas
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have, in recent years, summoned into being. Such approaches borrow from the scholarly practices of literary and artistic exegesis, history, political science, feminist theory, and psychoanalysis—to name only a few. An abiding concern over the semester is to discover how a discipline so variously influenced conceives of and maintains its own intellectual borders. Course materials include scholarly essays, journalism, films, novels, and a number of lectures by visiting faculty.

[203c - VPA. Women in Performance. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 203 and Theater 203.)]

[210b.d - ESD. IP. Global Sexualities, Local Desires. (Same as Anthropology 210, Gender and Women’s Studies 210, and Latin American Studies 211.)]

229c - ESD. Science, Sex, and Politics. Fall 2008. DAVID HECHT.

Seminar. Examines the intersection of science, sex, and politics in twentieth-century United States history. Issues of sex and sexuality have been contested terrain over the past hundred years, as varying conceptions of gender, morality, and “proper” sexual behavior have become politically and socially controversial. Explores the way that science has impacted these debates—often as a tool by which activists of varying political and intellectual persuasions have attempted to use notions of scientific objectivity and authority to advance their agendas. Explores debates over issues such as birth control, sex education, same-sex marriage, and abortion. Readings include Margaret Sanger, Margaret Mead, and Alfred Kinsey. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 230 and History 229.)

235c - ESD. Topics in Feminist Theory. Spring 2010. SARAH CONLY.

Examines central questions in feminist theory. What is gender? Is gender natural or is it a social construction? How many genders are there? What makes someone a woman? Can what it is to be a woman change? Can men become women? Can women become men? What is the difference, if any, between gender and sex? Addresses these and other central issues in feminist philosophy. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 236 and Philosophy 235.)

244c. Victorian Crime. Every other year. Spring 2009. AVIVA BRIEFEL.

Investigates literary representations of criminality in Victorian England. Of central concern is the construction of social deviancy and criminal types; images of disciplinary figures, structures, and institutions; and the relationship between generic categories (the detective story, the Gothic tale, the sensation novel) and the period’s preoccupation with transgressive behavior and crime. Authors may include Braddon, Collins, Dickens, Doyle, Stevenson, and Wells. (Same as English 244 and Gender and Women’s Studies 244.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.

[253b. Constructions of the Body. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 253 and Sociology 253.)]

[257c. Classic Twentieth-Century LGBT Cultural Texts. (Same as English 257 and Gender and Women’s Studies 257.)]

266c - ESD. The City as American History. Fall 2008. MATTHEW KLINGLE.

Seminar. America is an urban nation today, yet Americans have had deeply ambivalent feelings toward the city over time. Explores the historical origins of that ambivalence by tracing several overarching themes in American urban history from the seventeenth century to the present. Topics include race and class relations, labor, design and planning, gender and sexual identity, immigration, politics and policy, scientific and technological systems,
violence and crime, religion and sectarian disputes, and environmental protection. Discussions revolve around these broad themes, as well as regional distinctions between American cities. Students are required to write several short papers and one longer paper based upon primary and secondary sources. (Same as History 226.)

[271c. The American Renaissance. (Same as English 251 [formerly English 271].)]


[310c. Gay and Lesbian Cinema. (Same as Film Studies 310 and Gender and Women’s Studies 310.])

[312b. Resistance and Accommodation: Comparative Perspectives on Gender. (Same as Gender and Women's Studies 312 and Sociology 312.)]


Close reading of Shakespeare’s one hundred and fifty-four sonnets and the appended narrative poem “A Lover’s Complaint,” which accompanies them in the editio princeps of 1609. Required texts include the “New Arden” edition of Shakespeare’s Sonnets (1997) edited by Katherine Duncan-Jones, and Helen Vendler’s The Art of Shakespeare’s Sonnets (1998). Critical issues examined include the dating of the sonnets, the order in which they appear, their rhetorical and architectural strategies, and their historical and autobiographical content. (Same as English 316.)

Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or gay and lesbian studies, or permission of the instructor.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Recent James criticism has focused on James’s homosexuality and its influence on his aesthetic and choice of subjects. Examines what is at stake in a Queer James, “queer” here referring both to James’s homosexuality and to perceptions of him as different, perverse, odd, awkward, and other. Readings of representative James texts and a number of other authors he influenced. Examines confluence between his work and his contemporary E. M. Forster’s, as well as his influence on Alan Hollinghurst, a contemporary British author who acknowledged James’s influence, and David Levitt, a contemporary American author whose kinship with James is apparent. Also considers the influence of James’s life as art, as seen in novels by Colm Toibin and David Lodge that re-imagine James’s biography. Students required to read criticism of James and critical theory. (Same as English 325.)

Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or permission of the instructor.


A critical examination of classic and contemporary theories and research on stigma. Emphasis will be on the psychological experiences of members of stigmatized groups; why individuals stigmatize others; sensitivity to discrimination; collective identity; methods of coping; and implications for the self, social interaction, and intergroup relations. Topics include race, ethnicity, gender, mental illness, sexuality, HIV/AIDS, and health/physical disabilities. (Same as Gender and Women's Studies 325 and Psychology 326.)

Prerequisite: Psychology 212, 251, and 252.

[346c. Philosophy of Gender: Sex and Love. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 346 and Philosophy 346.])

[390c - IP. Robots, Vamps, and Whores: Women in German Culture and Society, 1880–1989. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 390 and German 390.))}
Gender and Women’s Studies

Administered by the Gender and Women’s Studies Program Committee;
Jennifer Scanlon, Program Director
Anne E. Clifford, Program Administrator
(See committee list, page 353.)

Professor: Jennifer Scanlon
Associate Professor: Kristen R. Ghodsee

The gender and women’s studies curriculum is an interdisciplinary program that incorporates recent research done on women and gender. Gender and women’s studies combines the scholarly traditions of each field in new and productive ways to develop a culture of critical thinking about sexuality, gender, race, and class. Courses in gender and women’s studies investigate the experience of women in light of the social construction of gender and its meaning across cultures and historic periods. Gender construction is explored as an institutionalized means of structuring inequality and dominance. The program offers a wide range of courses taught by faculty members from many departments and programs.

Requirements for the Major in Gender and Women’s Studies

The major consists of ten courses, including three required core courses—Gender and Women’s Studies 101, 201, and 301—that are designed to illuminate the diverse realities of women’s experience while making available some of the main currents of feminist thought.

The seven remaining courses for the major may be chosen from the set of gender and women’s studies courses, or from a set of courses in other disciplines that have been approved by the Gender and Women’s Studies Program Committee to count towards the major. Of the seven courses, at least two must be listed as “same as” gender and women’s studies courses. Gender and women’s studies courses are numbered to indicate the level of course instruction. The general level of instruction is indicated by the first number, so that courses below 30 are first-year seminars, 100–199 are general introductory courses, 200–290 are general intermediate-level courses, and 300 and above are advanced seminars intended for juniors and seniors.

In total, no more than three of the seven elective courses may be from the same department. The departmental affiliation of the course is considered the department of which the instructor is a member. Courses will count for the major if grades of C- or better are earned. One course receiving “Credit” from the Credit/D/F grading option may be counted.

During the spring of their junior year, students who wish to undertake an honors project must secure the agreement of a faculty member to supervise their independent studies project. The honors project supervisor must have taught gender and women’s studies courses and served on the Gender and Women’s Studies Program Committee. If the student’s chosen supervisor has not fulfilled both of these requirements, the student may appeal for permission from that committee. Two semesters of advanced independent study (Gender and Women’s Studies 401 and 402) are required for an honors project in gender and women’s studies. No more than two independent studies courses may count toward the gender and women’s studies major.
Requirements for the Minor in Gender and Women’s Studies

The minor consists of Gender and Women’s Studies 101 and 201, normally taken in the first or second year, and three additional courses. Students may count courses in their major, but may count only two courses from any given discipline. All courses must be taken for letter grades and students must receive grades of C- or better in order for the courses to be counted.

First-Year Seminars

For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.


(Same as English 12.)


(Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 16 and Religion 16.)


(Same as English 22 and Gay and Lesbian Studies 22.)

[20c. In Sickness and in Health: Public Health in Europe and the United States. (Same as History 20.)]

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


An interdisciplinary introduction to the issues, perspectives, and findings of the new scholarship that examines the role of gender in the construction of knowledge. Explores what happens when women become the subjects of study; what is learned about women; what is learned about gender; and how disciplinary knowledge itself is changed.


Dancing is a fundamental human activity, a mode of communication, and a basic force in social life. Investigates dance and movement in the studio and classroom as aesthetic and cultural phenomena. Explores how dance and movement activities reveal information about cultural norms and values and affect perspectives in our own and other societies. Using ethnographic methods, focuses on how dancing maintains and creates conceptions of one’s own body, gender relationships, and personal and community identities. Experiments with dance and movement forms from different cultures and epochs—for example, the hula, New England contradance, classical Indian dance, Balkan kolos, ballet, contact improvisation, and African American dance forms from swing to hip-hop—through readings, performances, workshops in the studio, and field work. (Same as Dance 101.)


The history of women’s studies and its transformation into gender studies and feminist theory has always included a tension between creating “woman,” and political and theoretical challenges to that unity. Examines that tension in two dimensions: the development of critical perspectives on gender and power relations both within existing fields of knowledge, and within the continuous evolution of feminist discourse itself.

Prerequisite: Gender and Women’s Studies 101 or permission of the instructor.
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[203c - VPA. Women in Performance. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 203 and Theater 203.)]

[204b. Families: A Comparative Perspective. (Same as Sociology 204.)]


Explores categories for interpreting female symbolism in Islamic thought and practice, and women’s religious, legal, and political status in Islam. Attention is given to statements about women in the Qur’an, as well as other traditional and current Islamic texts. Emphasis on analysis of gender in public versus private spheres, individual vs. society, Islamization vs. modernization/Westernization, and the placement/displacement of women in the traditionally male-dominated Islamic power structures. Students may find it helpful to have taken Religion 208, but it is not a prerequisite. (Same as Religion 209.)

[210b,d - ESD, IP. Global Sexualities, Local Desires. (Same as Anthropology 210, Gay and Lesbian Studies 210, and Latin American Studies 211.)]


Explores and compares two giants of Russian literature, Lev Tolstoy and Fyodor Dostoevsky. Their works are read for their significance, both to Russian cultural history and to European thought; special attention is paid to the portrayal of women and women’s issues by both authors. Part I studies Dostoevsky’s quest for guiding principles of freedom and love in a world of growing violence, cynicism, and chaos. “The Woman Question” emerges as a constant subject: Dostoevsky particularly concerned himself with the suffering of poor and humiliated women. A close reading of several short works and the novel Brothers Karamazov set in their historical and intellectual framework. Emphasis on the novelist’s struggle between Western materialistic individualism and Eastern voluntary self-renunciation. Examines Dostoevsky’s “fantastic realism” as a polyphony of voices, archetypes, and religious symbols. Part II studies Tolstoy’s development both as a novelist and a moral philosopher. Examines several works, the most important being the novel Anna Karenina, with special emphasis on the tension between Tolstoy-the-artist and Tolstoy-the-moralist. Discussion of the writer’s role as “the conscience of Russia” in the last thirty years of his life, as well as his influence on such figures as Gandhi and Martin Luther King. (Same as Russian 224.)


Focuses on gender issues in nations whose social, cultural, political, and economic histories have been shaped and/or influenced by Marxist-Leninism. Begins with a thorough examination of socialist ideas about the role of men and women in society and how these ideas evolved over time in the different countries and regions. The practical ramifications of these ideologies are studied through a survey of policies, programs, and projects that were implemented by socialist governments around the world. Addresses how socialist ideologies of gender influenced everything from the rise of the second wave feminists in the United States to the political ascendance of the Taliban in Afghanistan. Considers the political and economic changes that have occurred after the collapse of the Soviet Union. Specifically deals with issues of race, class, religion, ethnicity, sexuality, and gerontocracy, as they directly relate to the (re)construction of identity taking place throughout the former and/or transitioning socialist countries.


Explores twentieth-century Russian culture through film, art, architecture, and literature. Topics include scientific utopias, eternal revolution, individual freedom, collectivism, conflict between the intelligentsia and the common man, the “new Soviet woman,” nationalism, and the demise of the Soviet Union. Works of Eisenstein, Tarkovsky, Kandinsky, Chagall, Mayakovsky, Pasternak, Brodsky, Akhmatova, Solzhenitsyn, and Tolstoya. Weekly film viewings. Russian majors are required to do some reading in Russian. (Same as Russian 221.)


Examines Fyodor Dostoevsky’s later novels. Studies the author’s unique brand of realism (“fantastic realism,” “realism of a higher order”), which explores the depths of human psychology and spirituality. Emphasis on the anti-Western, anti-materialist bias of Dostoevsky’s quest for meaning in a world growing increasingly unstable, violent, and cynical. Special attention is given to the author’s treatment of urban poverty and the place of women in Russian society. (Same as Russian 223.)


Explores a series of topics in health studies from the perspectives of the humanities and social sciences: medical ethics, the development and use of reproductive technologies, relationships between doctors and patients, disability, public health, and the experience of illness. Encourages reflection about these topics through ethnographies, monographs, novels, plays, poetry, and visual arts, such as Barker’s Regeneration, Squiers’, The Body at Risk: Photography of Disorder, Illness, and Healing, Kafka’s Metamorphosis, Bosk’s Forgive and Remember, and Alvord’s The Scalpel and the Silver Bear. (Same as Sociology 223.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101.

[224b - ESD. Introduction to Human Population. (Same as Environmental Studies 222 and Sociology 222.)]

[227b.d - ESD. IP. Women and World Development.]

230c - ESD. Science, Sex, and Politics. Fall 2008. David HecT.

Seminar. Examines the intersection of science, sex, and politics in twentieth-century United States history. Issues of sex and sexuality have been contested terrain over the past hundred years, as varying conceptions of gender, morality, and “proper” sexual behavior have become politically and socially controversial. Explores the way that science has impacted these debates—often as a tool by which activists of varying political and intellectual persuasions have attempted to use notions of scientific objectivity and authority to advance their agendas. Explores debates over issues such as birth control, sex education, same-sex marriage, and abortion. Readings include Margaret Sanger, Margaret Mead, and Alfred Kinsey. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 229 and History 229.)

231b - MCSR. Economics of the Life Cycle. Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. Rachel Ex Connelly.

A study of economic issues that occur at each age, such as economics of education, career choice, marriage (and divorce), fertility, division of labor in the household, child care, glass ceilings, poverty and wealth, healthcare, elder care, and retirement. Considers age-relevant economic models, the empirical work that informs understanding, and the policy questions that emerge at each age lifecycle stage. Differences in experience based on race, gender, sexuality, income level, and national origin are an important component for discussion. Not open to students who have credit for Economics 301. (Same as Economics 231.)

Prerequisite: Economics 101.
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233b. Gender and Secularisms: Comparative Cultures of Church-State Relations.  
Examines the gendered implications of different ideologies informing the post-Enlightenment separation of Church and State. Students will be expected to engage with recent critical scholarship on secularism, post-secularism, and the process of secularization. Asks how different configurations of religion and politics shape collective definitions of the public and private sphere and how these particular conceptions then affect gender relations between men and women. Examines competing histories of secularization as well as engages with recent controversies such as the headscarf bans in Turkey and France and the issue of abstinence-only sex education in school in the United States. In particular, explores the paradox of trying to simultaneously uphold gender equality and protect religious freedoms when these two goals are seemingly at odds.

235c - ESD. Lawn Boy Meets Valley Girl: Gender and the Suburbs. (Same as History 234.)

236c - ESD. Topics in Feminist Theory. Spring 2010. Sarah Conly.  
Examines central questions in feminist theory. What is gender? Is gender natural or is it a social construction? How many genders are there? What makes someone a woman? Can what it is to be a woman change? Can men become women? Can women become men? What is the difference, if any, between gender and sex? Addresses these and other central issues in feminist philosophy. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 235 and Philosophy 235.)

Focuses on family, gender, and sexuality as windows onto political, economic, social, and cultural issues in Latin America. Topics include indigenous and natural gender ideologies, marriage, race, and class; machismo and masculinity; state and domestic violence; religion and reproductive control; compulsory heterosexuality; AIDS; and cross-cultural conceptions of homosexuality. Takes a comparative perspective and draws on a wide array of sources including ethnography, film, fiction, and historical narrative. (Same as Anthropology 237 and Latin American Studies 237.)  
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or Sociology 101, or permission of the instructor.

Focuses on the emergence of and continuing elaborations of transcendent monotheism in the Abrahamic traditions. Of particular interest in this examination is the relationship between portrayals of the divine and assumptions about gender, class, and race. Other topics include whether it is possible or permissible to obtain knowledge of the divine (and perhaps be able to see or depict the divine); the relationship between transcendent monotheism, cultural identity, and violence; and the ways in which monotheism informs various renderings of morality and politics. Readings include selections from the Bible, Augustine, Maimonides, Aquinas, Ibn-Arabi, and Luther. (Same as Religion 249.)

Examines the rise of and reactions to the literature of radical sensibility in the wake of the French Revolution. Focuses upon such topics as apocalyptic lyricism, anarchism, non-violent revolution, and the critique of marriage, family, male privilege, and patriarchal religious belief, as well as the defense of tradition, attacks on radical thinking, and the depiction of revolution as monstrosity. Discusses poetic experimentation, innovations in the English novel, and the intersections between political writing and the Gothic. Authors may include Burke, Paine,
Blake, Wollstonecraft, Godwin, Opie, Percy Shelley, and Mary Shelley. (Same as English 235 [formerly English 240].)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.


Films, music, short stories, folklore, art analyzed for the construction of national identity of Asian peoples from the Caucasus to the Siberian Bering Straits—Russia and the Former Central Asia (the “stans” and Mongolia). Themes: Multicultural conflicts along the Silk Road, the transit zone linking West to East. Changing roles of Asian women as cornerstone for nations. Survival and role of indigenous peoples in solving cultural, economic, and geopolitical issues facing the twenty-first century. Arrival of “outsiders”: from early traders to Siberian settlers and exiled convicts; from early conquerors to despotic Bolshevik rulers, from Genghis Khan to Stalin. Impact of Soviet collectivization and industrialization on traditional beliefs, destruction of environment and subsistence cultures, Eastern spiritualities (Muslimism, shamanism). Questions how film and literature both tell and shape the story of “nations.” Films include S. Bodrov’s Prisoner of the Mountains (Caucasus) and Mongol; V. Pudovskin’s Storm Over Asia, A. Kurosawa’s Dersu Uzala, N. Mikhailov’s Close to Eden, A. Konchalovsky’s Siberiade, G. Omarova’s Schizo. (Same as Russian 251.)


Investigates literary representations of criminality in Victorian England. Of central concern is the construction of social deviancy and criminal types; images of disciplinary figures, structures, and institutions; and the relationship between generic categories (the detective story, the Gothic tale, the sensation novel) and the period’s preoccupation with transgressive behavior and crime. Authors may include Braddon, Collins, Dickens, Doyle, Stevenson, and Wells. (Same as English 244 and Gay and Lesbian Studies 244.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.


Women of color are often ignored or pushed to the margins. There is a cost to that absence, obviously, for women of color. As Zora Neale Hurston put it, “There is no agony like bearing an untold story inside you.” There is also a cost to those who are not women of color, as women of color are encountered as objects, rather than subjects. Addresses the gaps and explores the histories and contemporary issues affecting women of color and their ethnic/racial communities in the United States. (Same as Africana Studies 245 and History 245.)

246b.d. Activist Voices in India. (Same as Anthropology 248 and Asian Studies 248.)


Examines the cruxes of the “modern,” and the term’s shift into a conceptual category rather than a temporal designation. Although not confined to a particular national or generic rubric, takes British works as a focus. Organized by movements or critical formations of the modern, i.e., modernisms, psychoanalysis, postmodernism, cultural critique. Readings of critical literature in conjunction with primary texts. Authors/directors/works may include T. S. Eliot, Joyce’s Dubliners, Lawrence’s Sons and Lovers, Sontag’s On Photography, W. G. Sebald’s The Natural History of Destruction, Ian McEwen’s Enduring Love, Stevie
Smith, Kureishi’s *My Son the Fanatic*, and Coetzee’s *White Writing*. (Same as English 245 formerly English 261.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or gender and women’s studies.

**249c. History of Women’s Voices in America.** Spring 2010. **Sarah McMahon.**

Semitar. Examines women’s voices in America from 1650 to the twentieth century, as these emerged in private letters, journals, and autobiographies; poetry, short stories, and novels; essays, addresses, and prescriptive literature. Readings from the secondary literature provide a historical framework for examining women’s writings. Research projects focus on the form and content of women’s literature and the ways that it illuminates women’s understandings, reactions, and responses to their historical situation. (Same as History 249.)

Prerequisite: One course in history.

[253b. Constructions of the Body. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 253 and Sociology 253.)]  

[256c - ESD. Women in Religion. (Same as Religion 253.)]  

[257c. Classic Twentieth-Century LGBT Cultural Texts. (Same as English 257 and Gay and Lesbian Studies 257.)]  

[258c - VPA. Women and Art. (Same as Art History 256.)]  

**259c,d - ESD. IP. History of Sexuality, Gender, and the Body in South Asia.** Fall 2008. **Rachel Sturman.**

Seminar. Explores changing conceptions of the body, sexuality and gender in South Asia, with a focus on modern formations since the late eighteenth century. Topics include practices of female seclusion; ideas of purity, pollution, and the care of the self; religious renunciation and asceticism; the erotics of religious devotion; theories of desire; modern conjugalities; and the emergence of a contemporary lesbian/gay/queer movement. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Asian Studies 237 and History 259.)

[260c,d. African American Fiction: (Re)Writing Black Masculinities. (Same as Africana Studies 260 and English 260.)]  

**261c - ESD. Gender, Film, and Consumer Culture.** Fall 2009. **Jennifer Scanlon.**

How do we spend money, and why? Examines the relationship between gender and consumer culture over the course of the twentieth century. Explores women’s and men’s relationships to consumer culture in a variety of contexts: the heterosexual household, the bachelor pad, the gay-friendly urban cafeteria, the advertising agency, and the department store. Also explores the ways in which Hollywood films, from the 1930s to the present, have both furthered and complicated gendered notions about the consumption of goods.

**266c,d - IP. Chinese Women in Fiction and Film.** Spring 2009. **Shu-Chin Tsui.**

Approaches the subject of women and writing in twentieth- and early twenty-first century China from perspectives of gender studies, literary analysis, and visual representations. Considers women writers, filmmakers, and their works in the context of China’s social-political history as well as its literary and visual traditions. Focuses on how women writers and directors negotiate gender identity against social-cultural norms. Also constructs a dialogue between Chinese women’s works and Western feminist assumptions. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Asian Studies 266.)

Seminar. With the rise of East Asian nationalisms and global commercialism in the early twentieth century appeared two distinct yet related figures in China and Japan: the Modern Girl, characterized by her physical appearance and consumerism, who broke with social conventions regarding domesticity, sexuality, and politics; and the Female Citizen, idealized for her role in contributing to the establishment of the modern nation in a “scientific” and “progressive” way. These two images offer a comparative perspective on women’s symbolic roles in the nation, and how anxieties over the persons and actions of women reflected larger concerns about the tensions evoked by a rapidly changing world. Discussion themes include globalization and commercialization, changing cultural notions of womanhood, family and labor systems, female education, feminism, and gendered nationalisms. (Same as Asian Studies 271 and History 271.)

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

278b,d - ESD. IP. China, Gender, Family. Fall 2008. Nancy Riley.

Examines issues surrounding gender and family in China, focusing on contemporary society but with some historical work. Topics to be examined include footbinding, constructions of gender during the Cultural Revolution, the role of family in society and in gender construction, and the effect of new economic changes on families and genders. (Same as Asian Studies 278 and Sociology 278.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.

291–294. Intermediate Independent Study in Gender and Women’s Studies.


Explores how research and scholarship on gender can be an engine for social change. Students learn how to use the different “tools” of the scholar: interviews, surveys, oral history, archival research, participant observation, and discourse analysis. Through a semester-long research project, each student has a hands-on experience of designing and implementing an in-depth study on the gender issue of the student’s choice. Open to gender and women’s studies majors and minors, or with permission of the instructor.


Seminar. Microeconomic analysis of the family—gender roles, and related institutions. Topics include marriage, fertility, married women’s labor supply, divorce, and the family as an economic organization. (Same as Economics 301.)

Prerequisite: Economics 255 and 257, or permission of the instructor.

310c. Gay and Lesbian Cinema. (Same as Film Studies 310 and Gay and Lesbian Studies 310.)

312b. Resistance and Accommodation: Comparative Perspectives on Gender. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 312 and Sociology 312.)

321c. Victorian Age. (Same as History 321.)

A critical examination of classic and contemporary theories and research on stigma. Emphasis will be on the psychological experiences of members of stigmatized groups; why individuals stigmatize others; sensitivity to discrimination; collective identity; methods of coping; and implications for the self, social interaction, and intergroup relations. Topics include race, ethnicity, gender, mental illness, sexuality, HIV/AIDS, and health/physical disabilities. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 326 and Psychology 326.)

Prerequisite: Psychology 212, 251, and 252.

[326c.d. A Body “of One’s Own”: Latina and Caribbean Women Writers. (Same as Latin American Studies 326 and Spanish 326.)]

[346c. Philosophy of Gender: Sex and Love. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 346 and Philosophy 346.)]


An examination of the central role that images of the female nude played in the development of modernist art between 1860 and the 1920s. Topics include the tradition of the female nude in art; the gendered dynamics of modernism; and the social, cultural, and artistic meaning of nudity. Artists considered include Manet, Degas, Cézanne, Picasso, and Valadon. (Same as Art History 355.)

Prerequisite: Art History 101 or permission of the instructor.

[390c - IP. Robots, Vamps, and Whores: Women in German Culture and Society, 1880–1989. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 390 and German 390.)]

401–404. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Gender and Women’s Studies.

Students may choose from the following list of related courses to satisfy requirements for the major or minor in gender and women’s studies. For full course descriptions and prerequisites, see the appropriate department listings.

Africana Studies


( Same as Sociology 10.)

Art History


Economics


212b - MCSR. Labor and Human Resource Economics. Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. Rachel Ex Connely.

English

History


Sociology

( Same as Africana Studies 10.)

Geology

Geology

Associate Professors: Rachel J. Beane†, Edward P. Laine, Chair; Peter D. Lea
Laboratory Instructors: Cathryn Field, Joanne Urquhart
Department Coordinator: Marjorie Parker

Requirements for the Major in Geology

The major consists of nine courses. Four core courses are required of all majors: Geology 101, 202, 275 or 276, and 393. In addition, to experience the breadth of the discipline, one course must be taken from courses emphasizing the solid earth (220, 241, 262, 265) and one course must be taken from courses emphasizing oceans and surface processes (250, 255, 257, 267, 272). The three remaining elective courses for the major may be selected from the geology courses offered in the department. Note that: (a) 100 or 103—not both—may be counted toward the three elective courses; (b) up to two approved study-away courses may be counted toward the three elective courses; (c) all courses to be counted toward the major need to be completed with a C- or better; (d) independent study does not normally count toward the major requirements; and (e) AP Environmental Science is not accepted toward the major—students may consult the Environmental Studies Program for possible credit. Geology majors are advised that most graduate schools in the earth and environmental sciences require the equivalent of Chemistry 109, Physics 103, and Mathematics 171.

Interdisciplinary Majors

The department participates in formal interdisciplinary programs in geology and physics and in geology and chemistry. See page 207.

Requirements for the Minor in Geology

The minor consists of four courses in geology, including 101, 202, 275/276 and one other geology course. All courses to be counted toward the minor need to be completed with a C- or better.
Courses of Instruction

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

100a - INS. Environmental Geology and Hydrology. Every spring. Peter Lea.

An introduction to aspects of geology and hydrology that affect the environment and land use. Topics include watersheds and surface-water quality, groundwater contamination, coastal erosion, and landslides. Weekly labs and field trips examine local environmental problems affecting Maine rivers, lakes, and coast. (Same as Environmental Studies 100.)

101a - INS. Investigating Earth. Every fall. The Department.

Dynamic processes, such as earthquakes and volcanoes, shape the earth on which we live. In-class lectures and exercises examine these processes from the framework of plate tectonics. Weekly field trips explore rocks exposed along the Maine coast. By the end of the course, students complete a research project on Casco Bay geology.

103a - INS. Marine Environmental Geology. Every fall. Edward Laine.

An introduction to the aspects of marine geology and oceanography that affect the environment and marine resources. Topics include estuarine oceanography and sediments, eutrophication of coastal waters, primary productivity, waves and tides, sea-level history, glacial geology of coastal Maine, harmful algal bloom, and an introduction to plate tectonics. Weekly field trips and labs examine local environmental problems affecting Casco Bay and the Maine coast. A one-day weekend field excursion is required. (Same as Environmental Studies 103.)

202a - INS. Mineralogy. Every spring. The Department.

Mineral chemistry and crystallography are explored through hand specimen identification, optical microscopy, scanning electron microscopy, energy-dispersive spectrometry, and phase diagrams. Emphasis is placed on mineral associations, and on the genesis of minerals in igneous and metamorphic rocks.

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.


Focuses on two key processes that influence human and wildlife exposure to potentially harmful substances—chemical speciation and transformation. Equilibrium principles as applied to acid-base, complexation, precipitation, and dissolution reactions are used to explore organic and inorganic compound speciation in natural and polluted waters; quantitative approaches are emphasized. The kinetics and mechanisms of organic compound transformation via hydrolysis, oxidation, reduction, and photochemical reactions are examined; environmental conditions and chemical structural criteria that influence reactivity are emphasized. Weekly laboratory sections are concerned with the detection and quantification of organic and inorganic compounds in air, water, and soils/sediments. (Same as Chemistry 205 and Environmental Studies 205.)

Prerequisite: Chemistry 109.


Survey of earth’s depositional systems, both continental and marine, with emphasis on dynamics of sediment transport and interpretation of the depositional environment from sedimentary structures and facies relationships; stratigraphic techniques for interpreting earth history; and tectonic and sea-level controls on large-scale depositional patterns. Weekly lab includes local field trips.

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.
223a. **Geobiology.** Fall 2008. The Department.

An exploration of the interface between geological and biological processes. Focuses on the mutual effects of microorganisms and earth’s land, air, and water chemistry. Topics include biomineralization, origin and evolution of life, microbial energetics and diversity, and biological contributions to weathering, soil and rock formation, and the creation and remediation of environmental problems. Laboratories will include fieldwork, experiments, and light, fluorescence, and electron microscopy. (Same as Biology 223 and Environmental Studies 223.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or biology, or permission of the instructor.

241a - INS. **Structural Geology.** Fall 2009. The Department.

Geologic structures yield evidence for the dynamic deformation of the earth’s crust. This course examines deformation at scales that range from the plate-tectonic scale of the Appalachian mountains to the microscopic scale of individual minerals. A strong field component provides ample opportunity for describing and mapping faults, folds, and other structures exposed along the Maine coast. In-class exercises focus on problem-solving through the use of geologic maps, cross-sections, stereographic projections, strain analysis, and computer applications.

Prerequisite: Geology 101 or 202, or permission of the instructor.

250a - INS. **Marine Geology.** Every other fall. Fall 2008. Edward Laine.

The geological and geophysical bases of the plate-tectonic model. The influence of plate tectonics on major events in oceanographic and climatic evolution. Deep-sea sedimentary processes in the modern and ancient ocean as revealed through sampling and remote sensing. Focus in the laboratory on the interpretation of seismic reflection profiles from both the deep ocean and local coastal waters.

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.


A mathematically rigorous analysis of the motions of the atmosphere and oceans on a variety of spatial and temporal scales. Covers fluid dynamics in inertial and rotating reference frames, as well as global and local energy balance, applied to the coupled ocean-atmosphere system. (Same as Environmental Studies 253 and Physics 257.)

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.

262a. **Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology.** Every other fall. Fall 2009. Rachel Beane.

Rocks contain many clues about the processes of their formation. This course uses these clues to explore the processes by which igneous rocks solidify from magma, and metamorphic rocks form in response to pressure, temperature, and chemical changes. Laboratory work emphasizes field observations, microscopic examination of thin sections, and computer-based geochemical modeling. Class projects introduce students to aspects of geologic research.

Prerequisite: Geology 101 or 202. Credit for both is recommended.


An introduction to the interior of the earth, the geophysical basis of plate tectonics, and exploration geophysics. Emphasis on seismic methods. A problem-based service learning course involving work on projects in support of community partners.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 161 or Physics 103, and Geology 100 (same as Environmental Studies 100), 101, 103 (same as Environmental Studies 103), or Physics 104.
**Courses of Instruction**


Principles and problems in coastal oceanography, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary inquiry. Topics include circulation and sediment transport within estuaries and on the continental shelf, impact of human systems on the marine environment, and issues and controversies of eutrophication and hypoxia in the coastal environment. (Same as Environmental Studies 267.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.


During recent ice ages, glaciers covered a third of the world’s land area and had profound impacts on earth’s landscapes and climates. Uses lectures, labs, field trips, and reading of the primary literature to examine the controls of current and former glacier distribution and movement, landforms and landscapes of glacial and meltwater systems, and the interaction of glaciers and the earth’s climate system.

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.


The interaction of water and geological materials within the hydrologic cycle, with emphasis on groundwater resources and quality. Qualitative and quantitative examination of the movement of groundwater in aquifers. (Same as Environmental Studies 275.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or permission of the instructor.


Everyone lives in a watershed, but how do watersheds function, both naturally and increasingly as impacted by humans? Examines the movement and modification of water through the landscape, emphasizing such topics as natural and human controls of water quality, streamflow generation and surface-groundwater interactions, watershed modeling, and approaches to watershed management. Students perform an integrated investigation of a local watershed, examining natural and human controls on hydrologic processes. (Same as Environmental Studies 276.)

Prerequisite: One course in geology or Biology 158 (same as Chemistry 105 [formerly Chemistry 180] and Environmental Studies 201.)

291a–294a. Intermediate Independent Study in Geology. The Department.


A rigorous treatment of the earth’s climate, based on physical principles. Topics include climate feedbacks, sensitivity to perturbations, and the connections between climate and radiative transfer, atmospheric composition, and large-scale circulation of the oceans and atmospheres. Anthropogenic climate change will also be studied. (Same as Environmental Studies 357 and Physics 357.)

Prerequisite: Physics 229, 255, 256, or 300, or permission of the instructor.


Offers students the opportunity to synthesize work done in geology courses, to critically read and discuss articles, to listen to speakers prominent in the discipline, and to write scientific essays. Specific topic varies by year; possible topics include Global Environmental Changes in the Oceans, Estuaries, and Mountain Belts. Required for the major in Geology. Open to junior or senior geology majors or minors, or interdisciplinary majors in geology-chemistry and geology-physics. (Same as Environmental Studies 393.)

Prerequisite: Geology 101 and 202, and 275 or 276, or permission of the instructor.

401a–404a. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Geology. The Department.
The German department offers courses in the language, literature, and culture of the German-speaking countries of Europe. The program is designed for students who wish to become literate in the language and culture, comprehend the relationship between the language and culture, and gain a better understanding of their own culture in a global context. The major is a valuable asset in a wide variety of postgraduate endeavors, including international careers, and law and graduate school.

**Requirements for the Major in German**

The major consists of seven courses, of which one may be chosen from 151, 154, 156 and the others from 205–402. Prospective majors, including those who begin with first- or second-year German at Bowdoin, may arrange an accelerated program, usually including study abroad. Majors are encouraged to consider one of a number of study-abroad programs with different calendars and formats.

**Requirements for the Minor in German**

The minor consists of German 102 or equivalent, plus any four courses, of which two must be in the language (203–398).

**German Literature and Culture in English Translation**

151c - ESD. *The Literary Imagination and the Holocaust*. Fall 2008. Steven Cerf.

An examination of the literary treatment of the Holocaust, a period between 1933 and 1945, during which eleven million innocent people were systematically murdered by the Nazis. Four different literary genres are examined: the diary and memoir, drama, poetry, and the novel. Three basic sets of questions are raised by the course: How could such slaughter take place in the twentieth century? To what extent is literature capable of evoking this period and what different aspects of the Holocaust are stressed by the different genres? What can our study of the Holocaust teach us with regard to contemporary issues surrounding totalitarianism and racism? No knowledge of German is required.


An examination of literary, artistic, and cinematic representations of the city of Berlin during three distinct time periods: the “Roaring 20s,” the Cold War, and the post-Wall period. Explores the dramatic cultural, political, and physical transformations that Berlin underwent during the twentieth century and thereby illustrates the central role that Berlin played, and continues to play, in European history and culture, as well as in the American cultural imagination. For each time period studied, compares Anglo-American representations of Berlin with those produced by German artists and writers, and investigates how, why, and to what extent Berlin has retained its status as one of the most quintessentially modern cities in the world. No knowledge of German is required.
Language and Culture Courses

101c. Elementary German I. Every fall. Fall 2008. Steven Cerf.
  German 101 is the first course in German language and culture and is open to all students without prerequisite. Facilitates an understanding of culture through language. Introduces German history and cultural topics. Three hours per week. Acquisition of four skills: speaking and understanding, reading, and writing. One hour of conversation and practice with teaching assistant. Integrated language laboratory work.

  Continuation of German 101. Equivalent of German 101 is required.

  Continued emphasis on the understanding of German culture through language. Focus on social and cultural topics through history, literature, politics, popular culture, and the arts. Three hours per week of reading, speaking, and writing. One hour of discussion and practice with teaching assistant. Language laboratory also available. Equivalent of German 102 is required.

  Continuation of German 203. Equivalent of German 203 is required.

  Designed to explore aspects of German culture in depth, to deepen the understanding of culture through language, and to increase facility in speaking, writing, reading, and comprehension. Topics include post-war and/or post-unification themes in historical and cross-cultural contexts. Particular emphasis on post-1990 German youth culture and language. Includes fiction writing, film, music, and various news media. Weekly individual sessions with the Teaching Fellow from the Johannes-Gutenberg-Universität-Mainz. Equivalent of German 204 is required.

291c–294c. Intermediate Independent Study in German. The Department.

Literature and Culture Courses

All courses require the equivalent of German 204.

  Designed to be an introduction to the critical reading of texts by genre (e.g., prose fiction and nonfiction, lyric poetry, drama, opera, film) in the context of German intellectual, political, and social history. Focuses on various themes and periods. Develops students’ sensitivity to generic structures and introduces terminology for describing and analyzing texts in historical and cross-cultural contexts. Weekly individual sessions with the Teaching Fellow from the Johannes-Gutenberg-Universität-Mainz.

313c - IP. German Classicism. Fall 2009. The Department.
  Focus on the mid- to late eighteenth century as an age of contradictory impulses (e.g., the youthful revolt of Storm and Stress against the Age of Reason). Examines manifestations of such impulses—e.g., ghosts, love, and other transgressions—in the works of major (e.g., Goethe, Schiller) and less well-known (e.g., Karsch, Forster) authors. Investigation of texts in their broader cultural context with appropriate theory.
314c - IP. German Romanticism. Spring 2010. The Department.

Examines the origins of the German Romantic movement in the first half of the nineteenth century and its impact on German culture (e.g., music and the other arts, philosophy, politics, popular culture, continued legacy of Romanticism in subsequent periods of German culture and literature). Focus on representative authors, genres, and themes such as Romantic creativity, genius, horror, and fantasy.


Explores the ways in which German culture popularized the ideas of ethnicity, nation, and communities in the nineteenth century. Considers literary fiction as well as philosophical, political, pedagogical, and psychological writings and visual materials in their appropriate context. Materials examined respond to historical events and reflect upon life-altering conditions of exile and emigration, the advent of technology, and the rise of mass culture; they exemplify modes of representing reality that ultimately led to the aesthetic phenomenon labeled Realism. Authors include, among others, the Grimms, Busch, Nietzsche, Marx, Otto-Peters, Lewald, von Ebner-Eschenbach, Hoffmann, Heine, Herz, Storm, and Fontane, as well as many anonymous writers of the popular and emigrant press. Combines discussion, short analytical or interpretive papers, an individual project, guest lectures, and the resources of the art museum and the library’s special collections.


Discusses the extent to which modernism, its narratives, philosophy, and arts are tied to the heightened importance of vision and visual technologies around 1900, and examines modernist legacies beyond the confines of the Weimar Republic and the Nazi regime. Special attention is given to depictions of space (cities, e.g., “exotic lands,” the rural landscape, travel), depiction of protagonists’ interior worlds, so-called new objectivity, and the interrelation of visual arts and narrative, the development of particular visual technologies (e.g., photography, film, commercial galleries, museums, display culture), and avant-garde movements (e.g., Dada). Texts and films by the following authors, artists, filmmakers, and philosophers are read and analyzed in their historical, social, and literary contexts: Kafka, Rilke, Brecht, Benjamin, Modersohn-Becker, Simmel, Freud, Ruttmann, Murnau, Seghers, and Sebald. Combines discussion, analytical and interpretive papers, film showings, and resources of the art museum.


An exploration of how successive generations have expressed their relationship to the catastrophe of the Nazi past. Examines representative texts of East and West German writers/filmmakers in Cold War and post-unification contexts. A discussion of “Germanness” and German identity from several perspectives, including Vergangenheitsbewältigung, the political and cultural influence of the United States and the Soviet Union, gender in the two Germanys, and African-German, Turkish-German, and Jewish-German voices. Authors may include Grass, Bölß, Borchert, Brussig, Franck, Özdamar, Schlink, and Wolf. Films by Fassbinder, von Trotta, Levy, Stöhr, and Ataman.

[321c - IP. Before and After the Wall: East German Traditions in Literature, Culture, and Film.]


Work in a specific area of German culture not covered in other departmental courses, e.g., individual authors, movements, genres, cultural influences, and historical periods.
Courses of Instruction

[390c - IP. Robots, Vamps, and Whores: Women in German Culture and Society, 1880–1989. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 390 and Gender and Women’s Studies 390.)]

392c - IP. Das deutsche Lustspiel. Spring 2009. STEVEN CERF.
An examination of selected masterworks of the rare and problematic German-language comedy from the Enlightenment to Post-Unification in historical and cultural contexts. Particular attention is paid to the comedic works of Lessing, Kleist, Wagner, Hofmannsthal, Zuckmayer, Dürenmatt and Levy. Three questions are posed: (1) Why are there so few German literary comedies? (2) How did German comedic writers—with their attention to psychological, historical, and sociological detail—form their own tradition in which they responded to each other over two centuries? (3) To what extent did writers from other cultures inspire German comedic playwrights? In addition to a close reading of texts, filmed stage productions and cinematic adaptations are examined.

394c - IP. Contested Discourse: German Popular Film since Unification. Spring 2010. HELEN CAFFERTY.
Since the fall of the Berlin wall in 1989, a new generation of filmmakers has emerged; the art house film of New German Cinema has given way to a German popular film that has increasingly contested contemporary political, social, and cultural issues. These include contemporary modes of Vergangenheitsaufarbeitung with regard to World War II and the Holocaust; East-West perspectives on history and German identity; Ostalgie and Westalgie; the role of Berlin as a hot spot for contested discourse; and constructions of sexuality, race, ethnicity, and gender. Emphasis on the historical and cultural context of post-unification film as well as critical film-reading and vocabulary. Consideration of popular genre strategies such as comedy, action, thriller, and melodrama, as well as the genesis of individual films. Directors/films may include Färberbock, Aimee und Jaguar; Link, Nirgendwo in Afrika; Dörrie, Keiner liebt mich; Sanoussi-Bliss, Zurück auf los; Tykwer, Lola rennt; Dresen, Nachtgestalten; Haußmann, Sonnenallee; Becker, Good Bye Lenin!; Schlöndorff, Die Stille nach dem Schuss; Henckel von Donnersmarck, Das Leben der anderen; Akin, Gegen die Wand.

395c - IP. Myths, Modernity, Media. Spring 2011. BIRGIT TAUTZ.
Explores the important role that myths have played in German cultural history. While founding myths of Germanic culture (e.g., Nibelungen) are considered, focuses especially on myth in relation to fairy tales, legends (including urban legends of the twentieth century), and borderline genres and motifs (e.g., vampires, witches, automatons), as well as on questions of mythmaking. Examines why modern culture of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, which seemingly neglects or overcomes myths, heavily engages in mythicization of ideas (e.g., gender roles, the unnatural) and popularizes myths through modern media (film, television, the Internet), locations (e.g. cities) and transnational exchange (Disney; the myth of “the Orient”). Aside from short analytical or interpretive papers aimed at developing critical language skills, students may pursue a creative project (performance of a mythical character, design of a scholarly Web page, writing of a modern fairy tale).

396c - IP. Vienna, 1890–1914. Spring 2012. STEVEN CERF.
An examination of representative shorter literary works (i.e., Novellen, dramas, poetry, essays, etc.) of such diverse, psychologically oriented authors as Schnitzler, Freud, Hofmannsthal, Trakl, Kraus, and Musil in historical and cultural contexts. Three basic areas explored: (1) how and why turn-of-the-century Vienna became the home of modern psychiatry; (2) the myriad ways in which imaginative writers creatively interacted with leading
composers, visual artists, and philosophers of the era; (3) the extent to which such cinematic directors as Ophüls, Reed, and Schlöndorff were able to capture Viennese intellectual and creative vibrancy for the screen.


In German culture, color/hue has played an important role in marking ethnic difference. Color marks not only “racial difference” (“Black” v. “White”), but also geographical difference (“tropical colors”) or diversity (“Bunte Republik Deutschland”). Considers changing discourse on color and ethnic difference in literary texts and films, all of which serve to illuminate the broader cultural context at three historical junctures: 1800, 1900, and 2000. Considers texts and films in conjunction with non-fiction, including examples from the visual arts (paintings, photographs, “Hagenbecks Völkerschauen”), medical and “scientific,” encyclopedic entries, policy statements and advertisements (“Reklamemarken,” commercials), and popular music (hip-hop, lyrics), recognizing, in the process, how German culture (“national identity”) defines itself through and against color.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in German. The Department.

Government and Legal Studies

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Department Coordinator: Lynne P. Atkinson

Requirements for the Major in Government and Legal Studies

Courses within the department are divided into four fields:


Every major is expected to complete an area of concentration in one of these fields. The major consists of nine courses, no more than two taken at Level A, and no more than one first-year seminar, and distributed as follows:

1. A field of concentration, selected from the above list, in which at least four courses including one Level C course and no more than one Level A course are taken.

2. At least one course in each of the three fields outside the field of concentration. These courses may be at Levels A, B, or C, though only two Level A courses may count toward the major and no more than one of these may be a first-year seminar.

3. Government 207, 214, 219, 239, 262, 264, 395. Environmental Studies 240, while not fulfilling the requirement for any of the four fields of concentration, can be counted toward the total number of courses required for the major or minor.

4. Students seeking to graduate with honors in government and legal studies must petition the department. Interested students should contact the honors director for specific details. Students must prepare an honors paper, which is normally the product of two semesters of independent study work, and have that paper approved by the department. One semester of independent study work may be counted toward the nine-course departmental requirement and the four-course field concentration. Students who hope to graduate with honors in government and legal studies thus normally must complete at least ten courses in the department.

5. To fulfill the major/minor requirements, a grade of C- or better must be earned in a course. Courses taken on a nongraded basis (Credit/D/Fail) may not be used to fulfill major/minor requirements.

Requirements for the Minor in Government and Legal Studies

A minor in government and legal studies consists of five courses from at least three of the departmental fields. No more than two Level A courses and no more than one first-year seminar may count toward the minor.

LEVEL A COURSES

Introductory Seminars

All introductory seminars are designed to provide an introduction to a particular aspect of government and legal studies. Students are encouraged to analyze and discuss important political concepts and issues, while developing research and writing skills.

Enrollment is limited to sixteen students in each seminar. First-year students are given first priority; sophomores are given second priority. For a description of the following introductory seminars, see First-Year Seminars, pages 147–57.


[12b. Becoming Modern.]


(Same as Asian Studies 19.)


(Same as Asian Studies 20.)

Introductory Lectures

These courses are intended for first-year students and sophomores. Others may take them only with the permission of the instructor.


Provides a broad introduction to key concepts in comparative politics. Most generally, asks why states are governed differently, both historically and in contemporary politics. Begins by examining foundational texts, including works by Marx, Smith, and Weber. Surveys subfields within comparative politics (the state, regime types, nations and nationalism, party systems, development, and civil society) to familiarize students with major debates and questions.


Provides a comprehensive overview of the American political process. Specifically, traces the foundations of American government (the Constitution, federalism, civil rights, and civil liberties), its political institutions (Congress, Presidency, courts, and bureaucracy), and its electoral processes (elections, voting, and political parties). Also examines other influences, such as public opinion and the mass media, which fall outside the traditional institutional boundaries, but have an increasingly large effect on political outcomes.


Provides a broad introduction to the study of international relations. Designed to strike a balance between empirical and historical knowledge on the one hand, and theoretical understanding on the other. Designed as an introductory course to familiarize students with no prior background in the subject, and recommended for first- and second-year students intending to take upper-level international relations courses.

LEVEL B COURSES

Level B courses are designed to introduce students to or extend their knowledge of a particular aspect of government and legal studies. The courses range from the more introductory to the more advanced. Students should consult the individual course descriptions regarding any prerequisites.

201b. Law and Society.]


An examination of the presidency in the American political system, including the “road to the White House” (party nomination process and role of the electoral college), advisory systems, the institutional presidency, relations with Congress and the courts, and decision-making in the White House. Drawing upon the instructor’s own research and a growing body of literature in this area, the role of women as advisors within the White House and Executive branch, and influence of outside groups on the White House’s consideration of “women’s issues,” especially since 1960, are also topics of discussion.
Throughout American political history, parties have been among the most adept institutions at organizing political conflict and, more generally, American political life. In this vein, the role of political parties in the evolution of American politics is discussed. Special attention is given to the present political context, which many characterize as an era of ideologically polarized parties. Explores and challenges this conventional wisdom.

An examination of the United States Congress, with a focus on members, leaders, constituent relations, the congressional role in the policy-making process, congressional procedures and their impact on policy outcomes, and executive-congressional relations.

Introduces current theories and controversies concerning political campaigns and elections in the United States. Takes advantage of the fact that the class meets during the 2008 presidential and congressional elections. The primary goal is to use concepts from the political science literature on elections to develop insight into the battle over control of Congress and the White House. Readings are organized around two themes. First, students are expected to follow journalistic accounts of the fall campaigns closely. A second set of readings introduces political science literature on campaigns and elections. These readings touch upon a wide range of themes, including presidential primaries, campaign finance, voting behavior, polling, media strategy, incumbency and coattail effects, the Electoral College, and trends in partisan realignment.

How is public policy in the United States shaped by the political process? How does public policy and state-building define the contours of American politics? Examines the qualitative differences between redistributive, regulatory, and “patronage” policy, and evaluates the impact of public policy on American political development. Readings explore in some detail a number of key policy areas including healthcare, immigration reform, and homeland security.

Examines efforts by communities and regions to build strong local economies, safeguard important environmental values, protect public health, and address issues of economic and social justice. In many communities, metropolitan areas and rural regions, state and local government officials work with other leaders to set ambitious goals for economic and environmental sustainability and to develop specific plans for sustainable development. These efforts cross political, institutional, and sectoral barriers, thus challenging and sometimes re-shaping state and local politics as well as American federalism. Examines how local leaders can work in complex settings to set goals and mobilize federal, private, and non-profit resources to achieve specific, cross-cutting objectives. (Same as Environmental Studies 207.)
Prerequisite: One course in environmental studies or government.

Examines the role of the media as the “fourth branch” of government. Focuses first on the history of the media throughout American political development, and then examines the role of the media in contemporary politics. Is the media biased? How? What are the effects of media coverage on citizens? What is the interplay of politicians, citizens, and journalists? Spends considerable time on the place of new media outlets such as blogs.
209b. **Introduction to Political Behavior.** Fall 2008. **Richard M. Skinner.**

Examines the political behavior of ordinary citizens. Begins with a broad focus on the importance of citizen participation in a democracy, and the debate over how much or how little participation is best. Examines the reasons for citizen (non)participation, and focuses on the effects of campaigns and social capital on different forms of participation.

210b. **Constitutional Law I.** Every fall. Fall 2008. **George S. Isaacson.**

Examines the development of American constitutionalism, the power of judicial review, federalism, and separation of powers.

211b. **Constitutional Law II: Civil Rights and Liberties.** Every spring. Spring 2009. **Richard E. Morgan.**

Examines questions arising under the First and Fourteenth Amendments.

Prerequisite: Government 210.

214b. **Environmental Policy and Politics.** Every year. Fall 2008. **DeWitt John.**

Examines alternative ways to protect our environment. Analyzes environmental policies and the regulatory regime that has developed in the United States; new approaches such as free-market environmentalism, civic environmentalism, environmental justice, sustainable development; and environmental policies and politics in other countries, especially China. (Same as Environmental Studies 202.)

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 101 or permission of the instructor.

215b. **Urban Politics.**

216b. **Maine Politics.** Every fall. Fall 2008. **Christian P. Potholm.**

An analysis of politics in the state of Maine since World War II. Subjects covered include the dynamics of Republican and Democratic rivalries and the efficacy of the Independent voter, the rise of the Green and Reform parties, the growing importance of ballot measure initiatives, and the interaction of ethnicity and politics in the Pine Tree State. An analysis of key precincts and Maine voting paradigms is included, as well as a look at the efficacy of such phenomena as the north/south geographic split, the environmental movement, and the impact of such interest groups as SAM and the Roman Catholic Church. Students are expected to follow contemporary political events on a regular basis.

219c. **Education and Law.** Every other year. Fall 2009. **George S. Isaacson.**

A study of the impact of the American legal system on the functioning of schools in the United States through an examination of Supreme Court decisions and federal legislation. Analyzes the public policy considerations that underlie court decisions in the field of education and considers how those judicial interests may differ from the concerns of school boards, administrators, and teachers. Issues to be discussed include constitutional and statutory developments affecting schools in such areas as free speech, sex discrimination, religious objections to compulsory education, race relations, teachers’ rights, school financing, and education of the handicapped. (Same as Education 250.)


Examines the meaning of development from economic and political perspectives. Considers various theories and practices of development that have been applied to newly independent states in Asia, Latin America, and Africa. Investigates why trajectories of economic growth and political stability have been so uneven in different regions of the world. Incorporates views from both external and internal actors on issues such as foreign aid, multilateral institutions, good governance, and democratic participation.
Courses of Instruction

[221b. Division and Consensus: The Government and Politics of Ireland.]


Surveys societies and politics in sub-Saharan Africa, seeking to understand the sources of current conditions and the prospects for political stability and economic growth. Looks briefly at pre-colonial society and colonial influence on state-construction in Africa, and concentrates on three broad phases in Africa’s contemporary political development: (1) independence and consolidation of authoritarian rule; (2) economic decline and challenges to authoritarianism; (3) democratization and civil conflict. Presumes no prior knowledge of the region. (Same as Africana Studies 222.)

[223b. The Political Economy of Welfare States in Western Europe.]

[224b. West European Politics.]

[225b - IP. The Politics of the European Union.]

[226b.d. Middle East Politics.]

[227b,d - IP. Contemporary Chinese Politics. (Same as Asian Studies 227.)]

228b.d - IP. Chinese Foreign Policy. Fall 2008. OLYA GAYAZOVA.

An analytical survey of the sources, substance, and significance of contemporary Chinese Foreign Policy. Emphasis is on understanding Beijing’s distinctive diplomatic voice by unpacking the growing web of China’s diplomatic relations with states as diverse as the United States and India, Germany and Brazil, South Africa and Russia, Saudi Arabia and Israel. Students will outline and interpret Beijing’s recent initiatives in the areas of international investment, trade, energy, education, and civilian and military technology. (Same as Asian Studies 228.)


A survey of the political landscape and trends of change in tropical Southeast Asia and an investigation of the fundamental driving forces of changes in this region of rich diversity in culture, religion, ethnicity, mystic beliefs, and political traditions. Topics include nation building and the role of colonial history in it; regime legitimacy; political protests (often spearheaded by college students); armed insurgence and nationalism; the different responses to modernization; the causes and consequences of rapid economic growth; the clash between human rights, democracy, and indigenous traditions. (Same as Asian Studies 229.)


Explores the most dramatic political event of the twentieth century: the collapse of Soviet communism and its political aftermath. Begins by examining the Soviet system and the political and social upheaval of the late Soviet period. Proceeds to investigate the challenges of contemporary Russian politics, including ambivalence about political and economic liberalization, the demographic crisis, efforts to regain superpower status, and the changing nature of executive power. Comparisons are made with other countries in the post-Communist region.


Comprehensive overview of modern Japanese politics in historical, social, and cultural context. Analyzes the electoral dominance of the Liberal Democratic Party, the nature of democratic politics, and the rise and fall of the economy. Other topics include the status of women and ethnic minorities, education, war guilt, nationalism, and the role of the media. (Same as Asian Studies 282.)

An examination of the forces and processes by which governments and societies approach and wage or avoid wars. The theories and practices of warfare of various political systems will be analyzed and particular attention will be paid to the interface where politics, society, and the military come together under governmental auspices in various comparative contexts. Specific examples from Africa, Asia, Europe, and North America are examined.


Ethnicity is a crucial dividing line in most societies. Attempts to understand what ethnicity is, when it is mobilized peacefully and when it ignites violence, and what political tools exist to moderate these conflicts. Explores first the various definitions of ethnicity and theories of ethnic identity formation; then studies the different explanations for why ethnic divisions inspire conflict within societies and evaluates possible means of mitigating violence. Draws on case studies from around the world, particularly those in Africa and Asia.


Surveys political developments in East Central Europe from the interwar period to the present. How did these states become part of the Soviet bloc? Why did they experience democratization in the late 1980s? How can we explain divergent political and economic outcomes in the post-Communist period? How has participation in the European Union affected new member states and their relations with non-members to the East and South? Students are encouraged to investigate these questions by engaging in comparative research.


A comparative examination of constitutional principles and constitutional processes in democratic and non-democratic countries. Explores the roles that constitutions play in shaping civil society and defining the relationship between governments and the people they govern. Compares American constitutional law with that of other nations to scrutinize alternative models of governance, and to gain new perspectives regarding the legal foundations for the protection of individual rights. Special attention given to the constitutions of Canada, India, Germany, South Africa, Israel, and the People’s Republic of China, along with that of the United States. Structural issues include consideration of executive-legislative separation of powers, constitutional courts, federalism, and church-state relations. Discusses arguments in favor of and against a written Bill of Rights, as well as such specific issues as political dissent, hate speech, religious belief, reproductive choice, racial and gender discrimination, public welfare, privacy, and police investigative powers.


A survey of classical political philosophy focusing on Plato’s Apology and Republic, Aristotle’s Politics and Nicomachean Ethics, and St. Augustine’s City of God. Examines ancient Greek and early Christian reflections on human nature, justice, the best regime, the relationship of the individual to the political community, the relationship of philosophy to politics, democracy, education, and religion.


A survey of modern political philosophy from Machiavelli to Hegel. Examines the overthrow of the classical horizon, the movement of human will and freedom to the center of political thought, the idea of the social contract, the origin and meaning of rights, the
relationship between freedom and equality, the role of democracy, and the replacement of nature by history as the source of human meaning. Authors include Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Hume, Rousseau, Kant, and Hegel.

[242b. Politics and Culture.]

[244b. Liberalism and Its Critics.]

[245b. Contemporary Political Philosophy.]

246b. Religion and Politics. Fall 2008. PAUL N. FRANCO.

Examines the relationship between religion and politics—the so-called theological-political question—primarily in modern Europe and America. Focuses first on the tension between and eventual separation of church and state in the early modern period; then considers the implications and complications of this historic separation, looking at recent Supreme Court cases, as well as contemporary discussion of the relationship between religion and politics. Comparisons with the treatment of this issue in the Islamic world are made throughout the course. Authors include Machiavelli, Luther, Calvin, Spinoza, Locke, Jefferson, Madison, Tocqueville, as well as a variety of contemporary and Islamic writers. (Same as Religion 246.)

Prerequisite: One of the following: Government 12 (formerly Government 112), 17 (formerly Government 117), 24 (formerly Government 104), 26 (formerly Government 106), 28 (formerly Government 108), 240, 241, 242, 244, 245, 248, 249, 250, 341, 346, or 347, or permission of the instructor.

[248b. Statesmanship. Ancient and Modern.]

249b. Eros and Politics. Spring 2009. JEAN M. YARBROUGH.

What and whom do we love? Do we seek “another self” or someone to complement our natures? Is there something other than human beings that we love? The Good, God, or some other principle? How do the answers to these questions affect our views of politics and justice? Readings include Plato’s Symposium; The Bible; Shakespeare; Rousseau’s Emile; Mary Wollstonecraft; Tocqueville; and contemporary thinkers.

250b. American Political Thought. Spring 2009. JEAN M. YARBROUGH.

Examines the political thought of American statesmen and writers from the founding to the twentieth century, with special emphasis on three pivotal moments: the Founding, the Crisis of the House Divided, and the growth of the modern welfare state. Readings include the Federalist Papers, the Anti-federalists, Jefferson and Hamilton, Calhoun, Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, W. E. B. Du Bois, Booker T. Washington, William Graham Sumner, the Progressives, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and contemporary thinkers on both the right and the left.

260b. International Law. Fall 2008. ALLEN L. SPRINGER.

The modern state system, the role of law in its operation, the principles and practices that have developed, and the problems involved in their application.


What is “Security”? How do we define it? Who defines it? Who, or what, constitutes a threat? Why are “they” threatening? Where do threats begin? Where do they end? Who, or what, is being “secured”? How far can we go in order to “secure” ourselves? Explores these and related questions from within a variety of theoretical approaches to International Security, grouped loosely into “traditional” National Security and “alternative” Critical
Security approaches, the latter representing a peculiar mix of (Neo-Marxist) Frankfurt School, French Deconstructivism, and Copenhagen (De)Securitization Theory. Students will learn to identify the premises that underpin landmark scholarship in the field of International Security and also use the theoretical debates to frame personal arguments concerning global security agenda.

Examines the political, legal, and institutional dimension of international efforts to protect the environment. Problems discussed include transboundary and marine pollution, maintaining biodiversity, and global climate change. (Same as Environmental Studies 263.)

Examines how the federal government in the United States, as well as states, communities, businesses, and nonprofits, can address climate change and energy issues. Compares American policies and politics with efforts in other countries and examines the links between American policies and efforts in other nations. (Same as Environmental Studies 264.)
Prerequisite: One course in environmental studies or government, or permission of the instructor.

Examines the politics underlying international economic relationships. Asks why and how it is that countries are sometimes able and sometimes unable to realize the benefits of trade. Looks at the political consequences of international trade and global finance at both the national and international level. Examines conflicts and cooperation in international economic relations and the effects of globalization on social structures, on inequality, and on national sovereignty. No previous experience in economics needed.

[268b. Bridging Divisions: Ethnonational Conflict Regulation.]

The twenty-first century may well be the “Age of the Arctic,” but what exactly do we mean when we say that? Are we talking about an Arctic linked by international and transnational cooperation, or about an Arctic locked into nuclear star wars? Students will contemplate various answers to this question by analyzing concrete instances of cooperation and conflict in the Arctic since the end of the Cold War. Begins with a brief historical account of Arctic spaces and formal laws and informal understandings by which these spaces have been regulated since the sixteenth century. Aware of the realities that comprise the Arctic past, students explore the present, in particular a set of case studies in contemporary Arctic politics related to ecological, economic, and military dimensions.

[282b. Globalization and World Politics.]


LEVEL C COURSES

Level C courses provide seniors and juniors with appropriate background the opportunity to do advanced work within a specific subfield. Enrollment is limited to fifteen students in each seminar. Priority is given to senior majors, then junior majors, particularly those with a concentration in the subfield. Sophomores may enroll with permission of the instructor. These courses are not open to first-year students.

While focusing primarily on American material, students have the option of choosing speech controversies in other polities as the subject of their seminar papers.


Examines presidential-congressional relations through a number of perspectives, including use of historical, quantitative, and institutional analyses. Readings consider the relationship between the executive branch and Congress in both the domestic arena (including regulatory and budgetary policy) and in the area of foreign and defense policy.

[308b. Money and Politics.]


Examines how the United States developed from a modest, agrarian republic into a “modern,” mass democracy. How have the forces often associated with the process of modernization (e.g., the expansion of commerce and new media, the growth of industry, the rise of a welfare and regulatory state) changed the shape of America’s representative institutions and the nature of American political culture? Readings focus on the development of the electoral system, the emergence of a “modern” bureaucratic establishment, and the rise of the presidency as the focal point of party politics. Discussion will examine how these and other developments have shaped America’s liberal democratic values and transformed its political institutions.


Analyzes the role of social protest in generating political change on issues such as civil rights, environmentalism, women’s rights, indigenous rights, and globalization. Begins by considering different theoretical approaches to understanding the emergence and effectiveness of social movements and non-governmental organizations; then engages in comparative analysis of social protest in Europe, the United States, Latin America, and elsewhere, paying particular attention to the advantages and risks of the increasingly transnational nature of social activism.

[322b. Contentious Politics.]

[324b. Post-Communist Pathways.]

[330b. Ending Civil Wars.]


Analyzes the political, social, and cultural underpinnings of modern politics, and asks how democracy works in Japan compared with other countries. Explores how Japan has achieved stunning material prosperity while maintaining, among the best healthcare and education systems in the world, high levels of income equality, and low levels of crime. Students are also instructed in conducting independent research on topics of their own choosing. (Same as Asian Studies 332.)

Prerequisite: Government 232 (same as Asian studies 282).?


Seeks to understand political change caused by China’s rapid economic ascendance and growing global influence by exploring the various underlying driving forces—marketization, globalization, etc., and how these are reshaping the socioeconomic foundation of the party-state, forcing changes in the governance structure and the ways power is contested and redistributed. The main theme varies each year to reflect important recent developments, e.g., elite politics, the transformation of the communist party, role of the military, political economy of development, the re-emerging class structure, etc. (Same as Asian Studies 333.)

Examines development from a variety of political, economic, moral, and cultural perspectives. Is democracy a luxury that poor countries cannot afford? Are authoritarian governments better at promoting economic growth than democracies? Does prosperity lead to democratization? Are democratic values and human rights universal, or culturally specific? Emphasis on Japan, China, India, and the Koreas. (Same as Asian Studies 337.)

[341b. Advanced Seminar in Political Theory: Tocqueville.]


An examination of the multifaceted and revolutionary thought of Jean-Jacques Rousseau, including his critique of the Enlightenment, his rejection of classical liberalism, his defense of democracy, his relationship to the French Revolution, his contribution to Romanticism, and his views on freedom, equality, education, religion, art, economics, the family, love, and the self.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Government 12 (formerly Government 112), 17 (formerly Government 117), 24 (formerly Government 104), 26 (formerly Government 106), 28 (formerly Government 108), 240, 241, 242, 244, 245, 246, 248, 249, 250, 341, 346, or 347, or permission of the instructor.

[347b. The Idea of Progress in American Political Thought.]


An upper-level interdisciplinary seminar on the nature of both international and national conflict. A variety of contexts and influence vectors are examined and students are encouraged to look at the ways conflicts can be solved short of actual warfare, as well as by it.


Examines the complex relationship between law and policy in international relations by focusing on two important and rapidly developing areas of international concern: environmental protection and humanitarian rights. Fulfills the environmental studies senior seminar requirement. (Same as Environmental Studies 363.)

Prerequisite: Government 260, 261, or 263, or permission of the instructor.


Examines a complex current environmental issue in depth. Explores the underlying social, economic, scientific, and cultural dimensions of the issue; reviews how this and related issues have been addressed so far by state and local governments as well as by the federal government; analyzes current policy-making efforts; and suggests lessons from this policy area about the capacity of public institutions to deal effectively with complex issues. Equal attention given to the substance of public policy, the political process, and implementation of past and proposed policies. Focuses primarily on the United States but will consider experiences in other nations as points of comparison and also any relevant international dimensions of the issue. (Same as Environmental Studies 395.)

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 202 or permission of the instructor.

401b–404b. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Government. The Department.
History

Professors: Daniel Levine, Allen Wells
Associate Professors: Dallas G. Denery II, Paul Friedland, K. Page Herrlinger, Sarah F. McMahon, Patrick J. Rael, Chair; Randolph Stakeman, Susan L. Tananbaum†
Assistant Professor: David Gordon†
Visiting Assistant Professor: David Hecht
Visiting Instructors: Mehmet Dosemeci, Aaron Windel
Consortium for Faculty Diversity Postdoctoral Fellow and Lecturer: Karen Teoh
Joint Appointment with Africana Studies: Professor Olufemi Vaughan
Joint Appointments with Asian Studies: Associate Professor Thomas Conlan, Assistant Professor Rachel L. Sturman
Joint Appointments with Environmental Studies: Associate Professor Matthew Klingle, Assistant Professor Connie Y. Chiang†
Department Coordinator: Josephine C. Johnson

Requirements for the Major in History

The departmental offerings are divided into the following fields: Africa, East Asia, Europe, Latin America, South Asia, and the United States. Students may, with departmental approval, define fields that differ from those specified above.

The major consists of ten courses, distributed as follows:

1. A primary field of concentration, selected from the above list, in which at least four and no more than five courses are taken. No more than five courses in any region will count toward the major. At least one of the courses in the field of concentration must be a 300-level seminar or a 400-level advanced independent study taken at Bowdoin.
2. One intermediate seminar in any field of history, to be taken at Bowdoin, preferably by the end of the sophomore year. It is recommended that students complete at least one 200-level course prior to taking an intermediate seminar.
3. At least three courses taken from two of the following fields: Africa, East Asia, Latin America, or South Asia.
4. One pre-modern course.
5. No more than two courses numbered below 200 can be counted toward the major; these must be taken prior to the junior year. No more than one such course can count toward the field of concentration.
6. Students must obtain a minimum course grade of C- to receive credit toward the major.
7. Students may not count Credit/D/Fail courses toward the major.
8. Students participating in off-campus study may count no more than one history course per semester toward the history major. In exceptional cases, students may petition to receive credit for more than one course per semester toward the history major. In all cases, a maximum of three history courses taken away from Bowdoin can count toward the history major, but no more than two can count toward the field of concentration.

The program chosen to meet the requirements for the major in history must be approved by a departmental advisor. Before electing to major in history, a student should have completed or have in progress at least two college-level courses in history. In consultation with the departmental advisor, a student should plan a program that begins at either the introductory or the intermediate level and progresses to the advanced level.
With departmental approval, a student may receive credit toward the history major for college-level work in history at other institutions. This work may represent fields other than those that are available at Bowdoin. In the sophomore year, a student who anticipates study away from Bowdoin should discuss with the departmental advisor a plan for the history major that includes work at Bowdoin and elsewhere.

All history majors seeking departmental honors are required to enroll in at least one semester of the Honors Program (History 451, 452). Its primary requirement is the research and writing of the honors thesis. To be eligible to register for Honors, a student must have the equivalent of a B+ average in courses taken in the department and the approval of a thesis advisor.

History majors are encouraged to develop competence in one or more foreign languages and to use this competence in their historical reading and research. Knowledge of a foreign language is particularly important for students planning graduate work.

Requirements for the Minor in History
The minor consists of five courses. Three courses are to be taken in one field of concentration and two in a subsidiary field; both fields should be chosen from the list specified by the department for a major. Students may not count Credit/D/Fail courses toward the minor. Students participating in off-campus study may count no more than two history courses toward the history minor. This must be approved by a departmental advisor.

Curriculum
Although first-year seminars and 100-level courses are designed as introductory courses for students who have not taken college-level courses in history, first-year students and all non-majors may also enroll in any lecture course numbered 200–289.

Intermediate seminars, listed beginning on page 197, are not open to first-year students. Most of these seminars have a prerequisite of one history course.

Advanced seminars or Problems Courses, listed beginning on page 201, are open to history majors and minors and to other juniors and seniors with sufficient background in the discipline.

First-Year Seminars
The following seminars, designed for first-year students, are introductory in nature. They do not assume that students have a background in the period or the area of the particular seminar topic. The seminars introduce students to the study of historical methods, the examination of particular questions of historical inquiry, and the development of analytical skills in reading and writing. The seminars are based on extensive reading, class discussion, and multiple short, critical essays. Enrollment is limited to sixteen students in each seminar.

For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

[10c. Monsters, Marvels, and Messiahs: Europe during the Age of Discovery.]
[13c.d. Living in the Sixteenth Century. (Same as Asian Studies 11.)]
[14c. The Atomic Bomb and American Society.]
### Courses of Instruction

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<td><strong>18c. The Racial Argument in Historical Perspective</strong></td>
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**Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses**


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<td>Examines the coming of the Civil War and the war itself in all its aspects. Considers the impact of changes in American society, the sectional crisis and breakdown of the party system, the practice of Civil War warfare, and social ramifications of the conflict. Includes readings of novels and viewing of films. Students are expected to enter with a basic knowledge of American history, and a commitment to participating in large class discussions. (Same as Africana Studies 139.)</td>
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<td><strong>140c.d. War and Society.</strong></td>
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<td>Explores the nature of warfare from the fifteenth century to the present. The central premise is that war is a reflection of the societies and cultures that wage it. This notion is tested by examining the development of war-making in Europe and the Americas from the period before the emergence of modern states, through the great period of state formation and nation building, to the present era, when the power of states to wage war in the traditional manner seems seriously undermined. Throughout, emphasis is placed on contact between European and non-European peoples. Students are required to view films every week outside of class.</td>
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<td><strong>201c - ESD. History of Ancient Greece: Bronze Age to the Death of Alexander.</strong></td>
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<td>Surveys the history of Greek-speaking peoples from the Bronze Age (c. 3000–1100 B.C.E.) to the death of Alexander the Great in 323 B.C.E. Traces the political, economic, social, religious, and cultural developments of the Greeks in the broader context of the Mediterranean world. Topics include the institution of the polis (city-state); hoplite warfare; Greek colonization; the</td>
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origins of Greek “science,” philosophy, and rhetoric; and fifth-century Athenian democracy and imperialism. Necessarily focuses on Athens and Sparta, but attention is also given to the variety of social and political structures found in different Greek communities. Special attention is given to examining and attempting to understand the distinctively Greek outlook in regard to gender, the relationship between human and divine, freedom, and the divisions between Greeks and barbarians (non-Greeks). A variety of sources—literary, epigraphical, archaeological—are presented, and students learn how to use them as historical documents. (Same as Classics 211.)


Surveys the history of Rome from its beginnings to the fourth century a.d. Considers the political, economic, religious, social, and cultural developments of the Romans in the context of Rome’s growth from a small settlement in central Italy to the dominant power in the Mediterranean world. Special attention is given to such topics as urbanism, imperialism, the influence of Greek culture and law, and multi-culturalism. Introduces different types of sources—literary, epigraphical, archaeological, etc.—for use as historical documents. (Same as Classics 212.)

[204c. Science, Magic, and Religion. (Same as Religion 204.)]


Examines changing conceptions of the body and gender from early Christianity through the Baroque. Special attention is paid to the cult of relics, bodily practices in Catholic and Reformed Christianity, the body of God, and the body as object of scientific investigation.

[206c - ESD. Early Modern Europe.]

207c - ESD. Medieval Europe. Fall 2008. DALLAS DENERY.

Examines the social, cultural, religious, and economic development of medieval Europe from the origins of Christianity to the beginnings of the Protestant Reformation. Particular attention is paid to the varying relations between church and state, the birth of urban culture and economy, institutional and popular religious movements, and the early formation of nation states.

214c - ESD. IP. City and Country in Roman Culture. Fall 2008. ROBERT SOBAK.

The American political landscape has been painted (by the pundits at least) in two contrasting colors: Blue and Red. These “states of mind” have become strongly associated with particular spatial differences as well: Urban and Rural, respectively. Examines the various ways in which Roman culture dealt with a similar divide at different times in its history. Explores the manner in which “urban” and “rural” are represented in Roman literature and visual arts, and how and why these representations changed over time. Studies depictions of the city and the country in sources as varied as Roman painting, sculpture, and architecture, as well as Roman authors such as Varro, Vergil, Horace, Pliny and Juvenal. Authors such as Henry David Thoreau, Max Weber, Jane Jacobs and Wendell Berry are read as modern analogues and as points of comparison. Analyzes how attitudes towards class, status, gender and ethnicity, in both ancient Rome and modern America, have historically manifested themselves in location, movement, consumption and production. Challenges our modern urban vs. rural polarity by looking at a similar phenomenon within the context of Roman history. (Same as Classics 224.)

In the turbulent and violent years from 1789 to 1815, France experienced virtually every form of government known to the modern world. After a brief overview of the old regime, focus of the course turns to exploration of the politics of the Revolution, as well as Revolutionary culture in general (the arts, theater, songs, fashion, the cult for the guillotine, and attitudes towards race and gender). Uses texts and images produced by the Revolutionaries themselves whenever possible.


Examines major transformations in Russian society, culture, and politics from 1825 to 1936. Among topics explored through novels, autobiographies, film, and other primary documents are life in “Old Regime” Russia, attempts at reform and modernization in the late nineteenth century, the rise of the revolutionary movement and the Revolutions of 1905 and 1917, the building of socialism under the Bolsheviks, and the making of the modern “Soviet system” under Stalin.

[219c. Russia's Twentieth Century: Revolution and Beyond.]


A social history of modern Britain from the rise of urban industrial society in the early nineteenth century to the present. Topics include the impact of the industrial revolution, acculturation of the working classes, the impact of liberalism, the reform movement, and Victorian society. Concludes with an analysis of the domestic impact of the world wars and of contemporary society.

[224c - ESD, IP. The Modern Middle East: The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict.]


Evolution of the built environment in four European cities from the mid-eighteenth century to the present. A variety of factors—geography, natural resources, politics, industrialization, transportation, planning, and architectural design—are considered as determinants of city form. Topics include the shaping of capital cities, housing parks, public spaces, boulevards and streets, urban infrastructure, and environmental problems. (Same as Environmental Studies 227.)


Explores the history of the British Empire in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, focusing especially on Africa, South Asia, and the West Indies. Examines the methods of British rule, the consequences of imperialism for those who were subject to British authority, and the movements of national independence that ended colonial rule. Special attention paid to the role of the Empire in shaping the metropolitan experience of the British Isles.

[230c - ESD. Science and Race in Modern America. (Same as Africana Studies 229.)]


A social history of the founding and growth of the colonies in British North America. Explores the difficulties of creating a new society, economy, polity, and culture in an unfamiliar and already inhabited environment; the effects of diverse and often conflicting goals and
expectations on the early settlement and development of the colonies; the gradual adaptations and changes in European, Native American, and African cultures, and their separate, combined, and often contested contributions to a new “provincial,” increasingly stratified (both socially and economically), and regionally disparate culture; and the later problems of maturity and stability as the thirteen colonies began to outgrow the British imperial system and become a new “American” society.

[232c - ESD. History of the American West. (Same as Environmental Studies 232.)]

233c - ESD. American Society in the New Nation, 1763–1840. Fall 2008. SARAH McMAHON.

A social history of the United States from the Revolution to the Age of Jackson. Topics include the various social, economic, cultural, and ideological roots of the movement for American independence; the struggle to determine the scope of the Constitution and the political shape of the new republic; the emergence of and contest over a new social and cultural order and the nature of American “identity”; and the diverging social, economic, and political histories of regions (North, South, and trans-Appalachian West) and peoples in the early to mid-nineteenth century. Topics include urbanization, industrialization, and the development of new forms of social organization in the North; religion and the Second Great Awakening; the westward expansion of the nation into areas already occupied; the southern plantation economy and slave communities; and the growth of the reform impulse in Jacksonian America.

[234c - ESD. Lawn Boy Meets Valley Girl: Gender and the Suburbs. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 235.)]

236c,d - ESD. The History of African Americans, 1619–1865. Spring 2009. PATRICK RAEI.

Examines the history of African Americans from the origins of slavery in America through the death of slavery during the Civil War. Explores a wide range of topics, including the establishment of slavery in colonial America, the emergence of plantation society, control and resistance on the plantation, the culture and family structure of enslaved African Americans, free black communities, and the coming of the Civil War and the death of slavery. (Same as Africana Studies 236.)

[237c,d - ESD. The History of African Americans from 1865 to the Present. (Same as Africana Studies 237.)]


Explores relationships between ideas of nature, human transformations of the environment, and the effect of the physical environment upon humans through time in North America. Topics include the “Columbian exchange” and colonialism; links between ecological change and race, class, and gender relations; the role of science and technology; literary and artistic perspectives of “nature”; agriculture, industrialization, and urbanization; and the rise of modern environmentalism. Assignments include a research-based service learning term project. (Same as Environmental Studies 203.)

Prerequisite: Environmental Studies 101 or permission of the instructor.

243c - ESD. The Civil Rights Movement. Spring 2009. DAN LEVINE.

The first part of the course will concentrate on studying the converging forces from the 1890s to the 1950s that combined to create the vastly increased activity toward racial justice in the 1950s and 1960s. The second part will concentrate on the tactics, uncertainties,
and, ultimately, the significant but incomplete victories of the 1960s. The third part will concentrate on what has been called the “retreat to the ghetto,” and an evaluation of where we are now. (Same as Africana Studies 241.)

Explores the evolution of the American city from the beginning of industrialization to the present age of mass communications. Focuses on the underlying explanations for the American city’s physical form by examining cultural values, technological advancement, aesthetic theories, and social structure. Major figures, places, and schemes in the areas of urban design and architecture, social criticism, and reform are considered. (Same as Environmental Studies 244.)

Women of color are often ignored or pushed to the margins. There is a cost to that absence, obviously, for women of color. As Zora Neale Hurston put it, “There is no agony like bearing an untold story inside you.” There is also a cost to those who are not women of color, as women of color are encountered as objects, rather than subjects. Addresses the gaps and explores the histories and contemporary issues affecting women of color and their ethnic/racial communities in the United States. (Same as Africana Studies 245 and Gender and Women’s Studies 245.)

A social history of American women from the colonial period through the nineteenth century. Examines women’s changing roles in both public and private spheres; the circumstances of women’s lives as these were shaped by class, ethnic, and racial differences; the recurring conflict between the ideals of womanhood and the realities of women’s experience; and focuses on family responsibilities, paid and unpaid work, religion, education, reform, women’s rights, and feminism.

Note: This course counts toward the major and minor in gender and women’s studies.

Examines the social, economic, and cultural history of American families from 1600 to 1900, and the changing relationship between families and their kinship networks, communities, and the larger society. Topics include gender relationships; racial, ethnic, cultural, and class variations in family and community ideals, structures, and functions; the purpose and expectations of marriage; philosophies of child-rearing; organization of work and leisure time; and the effects of industrialization, urbanization, immigration, and social and geographic mobility on patterns of family life and community organization.

Note: This course counts toward the major and minor in gender and women’s studies.

Introduces students to the history of Latin America from pre-Columbian times to about 1825. Traces developments fundamental to the establishment of colonial rule, drawing out regional comparisons of indigenous resistance and accommodation. Topics include the nature of indigenous societies encountered by Europeans; exploitation of African and Indian labor; evangelization and the role of the church; the evolution of race, gender, and class hierarchies in colonial society; and the origins of independence in Spanish America and Brazil. (Same as Latin American Studies 252.)
256c.d - IP. Environment and Society in Latin America. Spring 2009. ALLEN WELLS AND NATHANIEL WHEELWRIGHT.

Examines the evolving relationship between the environment, politics, and culture in Central America and the Caribbean. Topics include the environmental impact of economic development; colonialism; the predominance of plantation monoculture, slavery, and other forms of coerced labor; and political instability. (Same as Environmental Studies 256 and Latin American Studies 256.)

[258c.d. Latin American Revolutions. (Same as Latin American Studies 258.)]

261c.d - ESD. IP. Modern South Asia. Fall 2008. RACHEL STURMAN.

Chronological and thematic introduction to the history of South Asia from the rise of British imperial power in the mid-eighteenth century to the present. Topics include the formation of a colonial economy and society; religious and social reform; the emergence of anti-colonial nationalism; the road to independence and partition; and issues of secularism, religious fundamentalisms, democracy, and inequality that have shaped post-colonial South Asian societies. (Same as Asian Studies 256.)

[262c.d - ESD. IP. Africa and the Atlantic World, 1400–1880. (Same as Africana Studies 262.)]

264c.d - ESD. IP. Conquest, Colonialism, and Independence: Africa since 1880. Spring 2009. OLUFEMI VAUGHAN.

Focuses on conquest, colonialism, and its legacies in sub-Saharan Africa; the violent process of colonial pacification, examined from European and African perspectives; the different ways of consolidating colonial rule and African resistance to colonial rule, from Maji Maji to Mau Mau; and African nationalism and independence, as experienced by Africa’s nationalist leaders, from Kwame Nkrumah to Jomo Kenyatta, and their critics. Concludes with the limits of independence, mass disenchantment, the rise of the predatory post-colonial state, genocide in the Great Lakes, and the wars of Central Africa. (Same as Africana Studies 264.)

[265c.d - IP. Africa and the Indian Ocean World. (Same as Africana Studies 265.)]

[266c.d - IP. History of Mexico. (Same as Latin American Studies 266.)]

[268c.d - ESD. Asian American History, 1850–Present.]


From the 1789 French revolution to the “velvet revolutions” of 1989, the European continent convulsed with radical change. Focuses on the moment of revolution (broadly conceived) within European society during these two hundred years. Examines moments of success as well as failed and even “fake” revolutions. Topics include instances of popular political upheaval (1848, 1871, 1917–18, and 1968), but also sudden changes that inaugurated new ways of thinking, working, or killing, such as the Enlightenment, the Industrial Revolution, World War I, and the Holocaust.


Surveys the major currents and impulses that informed continental thought in the century and a half between 1790 and 1960. In some respects, this tradition provided the theoretical underpinnings of the tragic and violent decline of the continent into the catastrophes of fascism, war, state communism, and genocide. This same continental tradition, however, also
formulated what were and remain the most critical, nuanced, and informed responses to the convulsions of modernity, responses that continue to challenge our conventional assumptions about interpersonal norms, political organization, or the nature and limits of human knowledge and human agency. What can—and should—be saved from this tradition?


An introduction to the transformation of China’s political and social life from the advent of its last dynasty in 1644 to the present. Covers the rise and fall of the Qing dynasty, economic and cultural encounters with the West, Republican government, war with Japan, the Communist revolution, and the People’s Republic under Mao Zedong. Also discusses social and economic reforms in post-Mao China, and the global Chinese overseas community. Major themes include political and intellectual trends, the ongoing tension between the center and local society, problems of ethnicity and gender, challenges of modernization, and the (re-)emergence of the world’s oldest and largest bureaucratic state as a major power in the twenty-first century. (Same as Asian Studies 275.)


Uses controversial legal cases to explore changing notions of justice, rights, and equality in twentieth-century America. Focuses on issues of race, class, science, Cold War politics, and foreign policy. Trials discussed include Sacco & Vanzetti, the Scopes Monkey Trial, the Rosenberg spy case, Watergate, and O. J. Simpson. Uses a variety of primary and secondary sources, such as trial transcripts, news coverage, memoirs, film, and literature.


Explores the politics and culture of the 1960s in the United States. Particular topics of focus include civil rights, student activism, the Vietnam War, the counterculture, and the beginnings of the feminist and environmental movements of the 1970s. Also explores the political dynamics of the decade’s various controversies, paying particular attention to the way that such controversies shaped—and continue to shape—United States political culture. (Same as Africana Studies 278.)


Examines the history of modern global imperialism and colonialism from the sixteenth through the twentieth centuries. Focuses on the parallel emergence of European nationalism, imperialism, and ideas of universal humanity. Examines the historical development of anti-colonial nationalisms in the regions ruled by European empires, and considers the often-contentious nature of demands for human rights. Emphasis on the history of South Asia, with attention to Latin America and Africa. (Same as Asian Studies 230.)


How do a culture, a state, and a society develop? Designed to introduce the culture and history of Japan by exploring how “Japan” came into existence, and to chart how patterns of Japanese civilization shifted through time. Attempts to reconstruct the tenor of life through translations of primary sources, and to lead to a greater appreciation of the unique and lasting cultural and political monuments of Japanese civilization. (Same as Asian Studies 283.)


What constitutes a modern state? How durable are cultures and civilizations? Examines the patterns of culture in a state that managed to expel European missionaries in the seventeenth century, and came to embrace all things Western as being “civilized” in the mid-nineteenth
century. Compares the unique and vibrant culture of Tokugawa Japan with the rapid program of late-nineteenth-century industrialization, which resulted in imperialism, international wars, and ultimately, the post-war recovery. (Same as Asian Studies 284.)

288c - IP. The Cold War. Fall 2008. DAVID HECHT.

Examines the history of the Cold War. Primarily considers United States politics and culture of the era, focusing on issues such as the atomic bomb, the arms race, McCarthyism, civil rights, 1960s student protests, the Vietnam War, and the myriad ways in which all aspects of American culture—from film to literature to science to religion—were affected by the Cold War. Uses films—both current and from the era—to explore changing notions of Cold War history and the contemporary political and ideological implications of those ideas.

Intermediate Seminars

The following seminars offer the opportunity for more intensive work in critical reading and discussion, analytical writing, library or archival research, and thematic study than is available in the intermediate (200-level) lecture courses. They are intended for majors and non-majors alike, but, because they are advanced intermediate courses, they assume some background in the discipline and may require previous course work in history or the permission of the instructor (see individual course descriptions for prerequisites). Enrollment is limited to sixteen students. The intermediate seminars are not open to first-year students. They do not fulfill the history major requirement for a 300-level seminar.

200c. Creating the World: Genesis and Its Interpreters. Fall 2008. DALLAS DENERY.

Seminar. Examines the history of interpretation of the first chapters of Genesis from the earliest Jewish commentators to the controversies surrounding nineteenth-century evolutionary theory, concluding with an analysis of contemporary literal evangelical exegesis associated with groups like The Discovery Institute and Answers in Genesis (who operate The Creation Museum). Specific topics include the relation between faith and reason, the medieval exegetical tradition, and “Sacred Theory.” (Same as Religion 200.)

203c,d. Christianity and Islam in West Africa. Spring 2009. OLUFEMI VAUGHAN.

Seminar. Explores how Christianity, Islam, and indigenous religious beliefs shaped the formation of modern West African states and societies in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Discusses the role of these world and indigenous religious institutions and movements in the transformation of major West African societies in the following important historical themes: (1) religion and state formation in the turbulent nineteenth century; (2) religion and colonialism; (3) religion and decolonization; (4) religion and the post-colonial state; (5) religion and politics in the era of globalization. (Same as Africana Studies 203.)

[208c. The History of History.]
[209e. Cultures of Deception: The Court in European History.]
[210c. Modernity and Its Critics.]


Seminar. An in-depth inquiry into the troubled course of German history during the Weimar and Nazi periods. Among the topics explored are the impact of the Great War on culture and society in the 1920s; the rise of National Socialism; the role of race, class, and gender in the transformation of everyday life under Hitler; forms of persecution, collaboration, and resistance during the third Reich; Nazi war aims and the experience of war on the front and at “home,” including the Holocaust.
226c - ESD. The City as American History. Fall 2008. MATTHEW KLINGLE.
Seminar. America is an urban nation today, yet Americans have had deeply ambivalent feelings toward the city over time. Explores the historical origins of that ambivalence by tracing several overarching themes in American urban history from the seventeenth century to the present. Topics include race and class relations, labor, design and planning, gender and sexual identity, immigration, politics and policy, scientific and technological systems, violence and crime, religion and sectarian disputes, and environmental protection. Discussions revolve around these broad themes, as well as regional distinctions between American cities. Students are required to write several short papers and one longer paper based upon primary and secondary sources. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 266.)

229c - ESD. Science, Sex, and Politics. Fall 2008. DAVID HECHT.
Seminar. Examines the intersection of science, sex, and politics in twentieth-century United States history. Issues of sex and sexuality have been contested terrain over the past hundred years, as varying conceptions of gender, morality, and “proper” sexual behavior have become politically and socially controversial. Explores the way that science has impacted these debates—often as a tool by which activists of varying political and intellectual persuasions have attempted to use notions of scientific objectivity and authority to advance their agendas. Explores debates over issues such as birth control, sex education, same-sex marriage, and abortion. Readings include Margaret Sanger, Margaret Mead, and Alfred Kinsey. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 229 and Gender and Women’s Studies 230.)

235c - ESD. Green Injustice: Environment and Equity in North American History. (Same as Environmental Studies 235.)

Seminar. Examines the role of mass media and information technology in shaping the historical experience of Europe in the twentieth century. Examines, among others, the role of radio, television, satellite imaging, marketing, propaganda, and the Internet in shaping European identities and worldviews, altering the way war is waged and peace is maintained, and profoundly changing the ways people are governed and govern themselves. Focus is on Europe, but considers global processes and especially the role of the United States entertainment industry. A prior course in modern European history is strongly recommended.

239c,d. Comparative Slavery and Emancipation. (Same as Africana Studies 239.)

240c - ESD. Only a Game? Sports and Leisure in Europe and America.

Seminar. Examines the evolution of various Maine social and ecological communities—inland, hill country, and coastal. Begins with the contact of European and Native American cultures, examines the transfer of English and European agricultural traditions in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and explores the development of diverse geographic, economic, ethnic, and cultural communities during the nineteenth and into the early twentieth centuries. (Same as Environmental Studies 247.)
Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

249c. History of Women’s Voices in America. Spring 2010. SARAH McMAHON.
Seminar. Examines women’s voices in America from 1650 to the twentieth century, as these emerged in private letters, journals, and autobiographies; poetry, short stories, and novels; essays, addresses, and prescriptive literature. Readings from the secondary literature provide a historical framework for examining women’s writings. Research projects focus
on the form and content of women’s literature and the ways that it illuminates women’s understandings, reactions, and responses to their historical situation. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 249.)

Prerequisite: One course in history.

[250c - ESD. California Dreamin’: A History of the Golden State. (Same as Environmental Studies 250.)]


Seminar. Explores American history through close readings of arguments regarding a variety of topics in the history of the United States in the nineteenth century, including the emergence of the mass political party system, the market revolution, class and racial formation, gender, removal of Native Americans, slavery, Civil War, the Reconstruction, corporatism, the labor movement, and modernism. Explores the nature of historical arguments with an eye toward students’ writing.

Prerequisite: One course in history.


Seminar. Texts, novels, and films help unravel Argentine history and culture. Topics examined include the image of the gaucho and national identity; the impact of immigration; Peronism; the tango; the Dirty War; and the elusive struggle for democracy, development, and social justice. (Same as Latin American Studies 254.)


Seminar. The British were fond of describing the rule of law as their foremost “gift” to their Indian subjects. What did this law actually entail, both for the colonial rulers and for their colonized subjects? How did the British create a legal system for India, and what was the role of law within colonial Indian society? Draws on primary and secondary sources, examining law as a central arena for understanding colonial governance and political modernity. Topics include key colonial legal campaigns, such as the effort to reform Hindu marriage and the campaign to identify and eradicate “criminal castes and criminal tribes.” Also explores the contentious formation of religious laws of the family administered by the colonial state, the role of race and gender in defining colonial legal subjecthood, and the legacies of colonial law for the post-colonial Indian nation state. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Asian Studies 257.)

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.


Seminar. Explores changing conceptions of the body, sexuality, and gender in South Asia, with a focus on modern formations since the late eighteenth century. Topics include practices of female seclusion; ideas of purity, pollution, and the care of the self; religious renunciation and asceticism; the erotics of religious devotion; theories of desire; modern conjugality; and the emergence of a contemporary lesbian/gay/queer movement. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Asian Studies 237 and Gender and Women’s Studies 259.)


Seminar. Explores the theoretical and historical dimensions of nationalism, from its emergence as a “revolutionary virus” in Europe at the turn of the eighteenth century, its expansion and consolidation as the primary means of organizing society in the nineteenth century, and the twin problematic associated with its combustion at home (Europe) and
exportation abroad (colonial world) during the twentieth century. After laying out the major theoretical formulations of nationalist thought over the last two centuries, discusses how external categories such as race, gender, and post-colonial identity have deconstructed the nation from without and examines how internal critiques have called attention to the existence of different nations within, across, and above the nation state.

[267.c.d - IP. African Environmental History. (Same as Africana Studies 267 and Environmental Studies 268.)]

[269.c.d - ESD, IP. After Apartheid: South African History and Historiography. (Same as Africana Studies 269.)]

270c. Atlantic Antislavery. Fall 2009. PATRICK RAEL.

Seminar. The slavery that emerged with the expansion of European powers in the New World was historically unique—a form more exploitative and capitalistic than any seen before. Paradoxically, it was this same Atlantic world that bred the ideas of universal human liberty that led to slavery’s demise. Explores this conundrum and examines the movements in the Atlantic world dedicated to abolishing slavery in the Atlantic basin in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Considers the foundations of antislavery thought, the abolition of the slave trade, the relationship between capitalism and abolitionism, the role of African American protest, the emergence of immediatism in America, the progress of Atlantic emancipations, and the historical memory of antislavery. Intensive engagement with historical arguments on this topic. (Same as Africana Studies 274.)

271c, d - ESD, IP. The Modern Girl and Female Citizen in China and Japan. Spring 2009. KAREN TEOH.

Seminar. With the rise of East Asian nationalisms and global commercialism in the early twentieth century appeared two distinct yet related figures in China and Japan: the Modern Girl, characterized by her physical appearance and consumerism, who broke with social conventions regarding domesticity, sexuality, and politics; and the Female Citizen, idealized for her role in contributing to the establishment of the modern nation in a “scientific” and “progressive” way. These two images offer a comparative perspective on women’s symbolic roles in the nation, and how anxieties over the persons and actions of women reflected larger concerns about the tensions evoked by a rapidly changing world. Discussion themes include globalization and commercialization, changing cultural notions of womanhood, family and labor systems, female educations, feminism, and gendered nationalisms. (Same as Asian Studies 271 and Gender and Women’s Studies 271.)

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

272c - ESD. Foucault. Spring 2009. PAUL FRIEDLAND.

Seminar. An in-depth exploration of the texts of Michel Foucault, one of the most important thinkers of the late twentieth-century, whose writings on the history of insanity, punishment, and sexuality have been profoundly provocative and influential, not only in the discipline of history but throughout the humanities and social sciences. The aims of the course are two-fold: to explore the evolution of Foucault as a thinker and historian, and to explore the history of the categories of social difference that so interested him.

Prerequisite: One course in history or permission of the instructor.

281c,d - IP. The Courtly Society of Heian Japan. Fall 2008. THOMAS CONLAN.

Seminar. Japan’s courtly culture spawned some of the greatest cultural achievements the world has ever known. Using the Tale of Genji, a tenth-century novel of romance and intrigue, attempts to reconstruct the complex world of courtly culture in Japan, where marriages were
open and easy, even though social mobility was not; and where the greatest elegance, and most base violence, existed in tandem. (Same as Asian Studies 281.)

285c.d - IP. Conquests and Heroes. Spring 2010. THOMAS CONLAN.

Seminar. Examines the experience of war in China, Japan, and Europe in order to ascertain the degree to which war is a culturally specific act. Explores narratives of battle and investigates “heroic” qualities of European, Chinese, and Japanese figures. A secondary theme constitutes an examination of the impact the thirteenth-century Mongol Invasions had on each of these military cultures. (Same as Asian Studies 285.)

286c.d - IP. Japan and the World. Fall 2009. THOMAS CONLAN.

Seminar. Explores Japan’s relations with China, Korea, and Europe in premodern and modern contexts. Also explores larger issues of state identity and cultures in East Asia. (Same as Asian Studies 286.)

[287c.d - ESD. IP. Kingship in Comparative Perspective. (Same as Asian Studies 287.)]


Seminar. From tenements to the projects, picturesque Borderlands to standardized suburbia, and on to recent efforts at affordable and sustainable housing, explores the history of home in North America for people of all social classes. Based on the premise that the places we live in, whether by choice or circumstance, offer powerful statements about human values and desires, political and social ideals and practices, changing ideas of family and gender, and private and public life. (Same as Environmental Studies 340.)

Advanced Seminars

The 300-level problems courses in history engage students in the close investigation of certain historical “problems.” Following a critical reading and discussion of representative primary and secondary sources, with attention to issues of methodology and interpretation, students develop an independent, primary research topic related to the central problem of the course, which culminates in an analytical essay of substantial length. Sufficient background in the discipline and field is assumed, the extent of it depending on whether these courses build upon courses found elsewhere in the history curriculum. Enrollment is limited to sixteen students. Majors in fields other than history are encouraged to consider these seminars.

Problems in European History

307c. Topics in Medieval and Early Modern European History. Spring 2009. DALLAS DENERY.

A research seminar for majors and interested non-majors focusing on Medieval and Early Modern Europe. After an overview of recent trends in the historical analysis of this period, students pursue research topics of their own choice, culminating in a significant piece of original historical writing (approximately 30 pages in length).

Prerequisite: One course in history.

[311c. Experiments in Totalitarianism: Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia.]

Problems in British History

[321c. Victorian Age. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 321.)]
Courses of Instruction

Problems in American History


Explores the ideals and the social, economic, and cultural realities of community in American history, focusing on change, continuity, and racial, ethnic, and socio-economic diversity in community experience from the seventeenth through the nineteenth centuries. Examines the formation of new communities on a “frontier” that began on the Atlantic seaboard and gradually moved westward across the continent; the attempts to create alternative communities either separate from or contained within established communities; and the changing face of community that accompanied cultural diversity, expansion, modernization, urbanization, and suburbanization.

334c. Activism in America: Politics and Social Change in Twentieth-Century United States History.


Focuses on twentieth-century science, technology, and medicine. Uses a number of seminal events and ideas—evolution, nuclear weapons, environmentalism, genetics, and public health—to examine changing meanings of “science.” Science is neither as objective nor as detached from society as is commonly assumed; examines the nature of its interaction with broader themes and events in twentieth-century American politics and culture. The second half follows a workshop format, in which students each develop and write a substantial research paper of their own design.

336c,d. Research in Nineteenth-Century United States History. Fall 2008. PATRICK RAEL.

A research course for majors and interested non-majors that culminates in a single 25–30 page research paper. With the professor’s consent, students may choose any topic in Civil War or African American history, broadly defined. This is a special opportunity to delve into Bowdoin’s rich collections of primary historical source documents. (Same as Africana Studies 336.)

Prerequisite: One course in United States history.

Problems in Latin American History

351c,d. The Mexican Revolution. Spring 2009. ALLEN WELLS.

An examination of the Mexican Revolution (1910–1920) and its impact on modern Mexican society. Topics include the role of state formation since the revolution, agrarian reform, United States-Mexican relations, immigration, and other border issues. (Same as Latin American Studies 352.)

356c,d. The Cuban Revolution. (Same as Latin American Studies 356.)

Problems in African History

360c,d. Religion and Politics in African History. (Same as Africana Studies 360 and Religion 360.)
Problems in Asian History


Explores the “rise” of the warrior culture of Japan. In addition to providing a better understanding of the judicial and military underpinnings of Japan’s military “rule” and the nature of medieval Japanese warfare, shows how warriors have been perceived as a dominant force in Japanese history. Culminates in an extended research paper. (Same as Asian Studies 380.)

Prerequisite: Asian Studies 283 (same as History 283) or 284 (same as History 284), or permission of the instructor.

Independent Study and Honors in History


401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study. The Department.

451c–452c. Honors Seminar. Every year. The Department.

Interdisciplinary Majors

A student may, with the approval of the departments concerned and the Recording Committee, design an interdisciplinary major to meet an individual, cultural, or professional objective.

Bowdoin has nine interdisciplinary major programs that do not require the approval of the Recording Committee because the departments concerned have formalized their requirements. These programs are in art history and archaeology, art history and visual arts, chemical physics, computer science and mathematics, English and theater, Eurasian and East European studies, geology and chemistry, geology and physics, and mathematics and economics. A student wishing to pursue one of these majors needs the approval of the departments concerned.

Art History and Archaeology

Requirements

1. Art History 101; one of Art History 212, 213, 214, or 215; Art History 222; and one of Art History 302 through 388; Archaeology 101 (same as Art History 209), 102 (same as Art History 210), and any three additional archaeology courses, at least one of which must be at the 300 level.

2. Any two art history courses numbered 10 through 388.

3. One of the following: Classics 101, 211 (same as History 201), 212 (same as History 202), or 291 (Independent Study in Ancient History); Philosophy 111; or an appropriate course in religion at the 200 level.

4. Either Art History 401 or Archaeology 401.
Art History and Visual Arts

Requirements

1. Art History: 101; one course in African, Asian, or pre-Columbian art history numbered 103 or higher; four additional courses numbered 200 or higher; and one 300-level seminar.

2. Visual Arts: 150, and either 180, 190, or 195; plus four other courses in the visual arts, no more than one of which may be an Independent Study.

Chemical Physics

Requirements

1. Chemistry 109, 251; Mathematics 161, 171, and 181; Physics 103, 104, 223, and 229.

2. Either Chemistry 252 or Physics 310.

3. Two courses from Chemistry 310, 340, or approved topics in 401 or 402; Physics 251, 357 (same as Environmental Studies 357 and Geology 357), 300, 320, or approved topics in 401, 402, 451 or 452. At least one of these must at the 300 level or above. Other possible electives may be feasible; interested students should check with the departments.

Computer Science and Mathematics

Requirements


3. Computer Science 231 and 289.

4. Two additional Computer Science courses from: 270, any 300-level, and 401.

5. Two additional Mathematics courses from: 204 (same as Biology 174), 224, 225, 229, 244, 258, 262, 264, 265, and 401.

Independent study (291) may be applied to the major upon approval of the appropriate department.

English and Theater

The interdisciplinary major in English and theater focuses on the dramatic arts, broadly construed, with a significant emphasis on the critical study of drama and literature. Students of English and theater may blend introductory and advanced course work in both fields, while maintaining flexibility in the focus of their work. Honors theses in English and theater are listed as honors in English and theater, rather than in either field individually. Students completing an honors project should be guided by faculty in both fields. Students who decide to take this major are encouraged to work with advisors in both fields. Students wishing to study abroad are allowed to count two courses in approved study away programs such as the National Theater Institute or elsewhere toward the requirements for the major.
**Requirements**

1. An English first-year seminar or 100-level course.
2. One 100-level theater course, preferably Theater 120.
3. Three theater courses from the following: 101, 130 (same as Dance 130), 140 (same as Dance 140), 150 (same as Dance 150), 203 (same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 203 and Gender and Women’s Studies 203), 220, 225, 235, 260 (same as English 214), or 270.
4. One course from English 210 (same as Theater 210), 211 (same as Theater 211), or 212 (same as Theater 212); one course from English 223 (same as Theater 223) or 230 (same as Theater 230).
5. One course in modern drama, either English 246 (same as Gender and Women’s Studies 262 and Theater 262), or its equivalent in another department, such as French 316.
6. One 300-level course in theater, and one 300-level English seminar.
7. One elective in English and one elective in theater or dance at the 200 level or higher.

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**Eurasian and East European Studies**

The interdisciplinary major in Eurasian and East European Studies combines the study of the Russian language with related courses in anthropology, economics, German, government, history, music, and gender and women’s studies. The major emphasizes the common aspects of the geo-political area of Eurasia and East Europe, including the European and Asian countries of the former USSR, East Central Europe, and the Balkans. The Eurasian and East European Studies (EEES) major allows students to focus their study on one cultural, social, political or historical topic, illuminating the interrelated linkages of these countries.

In the past, students studying Russian have had double majors in the above disciplines. This major combines these fields into a study of one common theme, in order to provide a multi-disciplinary introduction to the larger region, while allowing for an in-depth study of the student’s specific geographical area of choice. EEES independent study allows an interested student to work with a faculty member(s) in order to merge introductory and advanced course work into a focused and disciplined research project. Course work in the Russian language or other regional languages is expected to start as early as possible in the student’s academic career.

Careful advising and consultation with EEES faculty members is essential to plan a student’s four-year program, taking into consideration course prerequisites, the rotation of courses, and/or sabbatical or research leaves. Independent study allows a student to conduct interdisciplinary research under the careful guidance of two or more advisers or readers.

**Requirements**

1. Two years of Russian (Russian 101, 102, 203, 204), or the equivalent in another language (i.e., Bulgarian, Polish, Serbian/Croatian, etc.).
2. Four courses from the concentration core courses after consultation with EEES faculty. At least one course should be at the 200 level and one at the 300 level or above. Upon petition to EEES faculty, a student completing the EEES concentration can satisfy the requirement by substituting a course from the complementary list of Russian courses (listed below) or through independent studies in those cases in which (1) faculty members are on sabbatical leave, (2) the course is not rotated often enough, (3) a course is withdrawn (as when a faculty member leaves), and/or (4) a new, related course is offered on a one-time-only basis.
3. Any two courses outside the EEES concentration to be selected from the complementary list below, one at the 200 and one at the 300 level, or above. With approval of an EEES faculty member, requirements (2) and (3) may be fulfilled in part by an independent study in the concentration or in the area of complementary courses.

4. Only one introductory course or first-year seminar may count toward the major.

5. An honors project in either concentration requires two semesters of independent study for a total of eleven courses in the major. EEES offers three levels of honors.

6. Off-campus study at an approved program is strongly recommended. Up to three courses in an approved program may be counted toward the major.

7. If students choose a double major in EEES and Russian, only the first two years of language (Russian 101, 102, 203, and 204) may be double counted. No other courses may be double counted.

### EEES Concentration Core and Complementary Courses beyond Russian 204

#### A. Concentration in Russian/East European Politics, Economics, History, Sociology, and Anthropology.

**Core courses:**

- [Anthropology 246b. Anthropology of the Balkans]
- Economics 221b - MCSR. Marxian Political Economy
- [Gender and Women’s Studies 227b.d - ESD, IP. Women and World Development]
- Government 230b. Post-Communist Russian Politics and Society
- [History 219c. Russia’s Twentieth Century: Revolution and Beyond]
- [History 311c. Experiments in Totalitarianism: Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia]

#### B. Complementary courses in Eurasian and East European Literature and Culture:

- German 151c - ESD. The Literary Imagination and the Holocaust
- German 317c - IP. German Literature and Culture since 1945
- [German 321c - IP. Before and After the Wall: East German Traditions in Literature, Culture, and Film]
- Music 273c - VPA. Chorus (when content applies)
- Russian 220c - IP. Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature
- Russian 221c - IP. Soviet Worker Bees, Revolution, and Red Love in Russian Film (same as Gender and Women’s Studies 220)
- Russian 223c. Dostoevery and the Novel (same as Gender and Women’s Studies 221)
- Russian 224c. Dostoevery or Tolstoy (same as Gender and Women’s Studies 217)
- Russian 251c.d - IP. Russia’s “Others”: Siberia and Central Asia through Film and Literature (same as Gender and Women’s Studies 243)

#### Courses in Russian:

- Russian 307c. Russian Folk Culture
- Russian 309c. Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature
- Russian 310c. Modern Russian Literature
- Russian 316c. Russian Poetry
Geology and Chemistry

Requirements

1. Chemistry 109 and four courses from the following: Chemistry 205 (same as Environmental Studies 205 and Geology 205), 210, 225, 226, 240, 251, and approved advanced courses.
2. Geology 101, 202, and 262.
3. Two courses from the following: Geology 220, 260, and 275 (same as Environmental Studies 275).
4. Physics 103 and Mathematics 161 and 171.

There are many different emphases a student can give to this major, depending on his or her interests. For this reason, the student should consult with the geology and chemistry departments in selecting electives.

Geology and Physics

Requirements

1. Chemistry 109, 119, or 159; Geology 101, 202, 241, 265; Mathematics 161, 171; Physics 103, 104, and 223.
2. Either Physics 257 (same as Environmental Studies 253 and Geology 257) or 300.
3. Three additional courses, 200-level or above, in geology and/or physics.

Mathematics and Economics

Requirements

1. Six courses in mathematics as follows: Mathematics 181, 201, 225, 265; and two of Mathematics 224, 229, 264, 304.
2. Either Computer Science 210 or Mathematics 235, 244, or 305.
3. Four courses in economics with a grade of C- or better, as follows: Economics 255, 256, 316, and one other 300-level course.
Courses of Instruction

Interdisciplinary Studies

An introductory course that presumes no previous knowledge of Arabic. Students begin to acquire an integrated command of speaking, reading, writing, and listening skills in Modern Standard Arabic. Some exposure to Egyptian Colloquial Arabic as well. Class sessions conducted primarily in Arabic.

A study of the concept, principles, practice, and significance of leadership. Content is presented through case studies intended to illustrate and illuminate various characteristics of leaders and their constituencies. Abraham Lincoln, Harriet Tubman, Joshua Chamberlain, Margaret Thatcher, Pope John XXIII, Adolph Hitler, and Ernest Shackleton are among those studied. “An army of deer led by a lion is more to be feared than an army of lions led by a deer.”

A hands-on, semester-long research experience in the local community. Students design and carry out research on elements of a longer-term research project focused on affordable housing, homelessness, hunger, and economic insecurity in the Brunswick-Topsham area in coordination with local agencies. Uses a variety of research methodologies, including quantitative analysis, in-depth interviewing, observation, and analysis of available data and historical records. Students with methodological training in a variety of disciplines are welcome. May be repeated for credit with permission of the instructor.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Anthropology 201, Economics 257, Education 203, Psychology 251, or Sociology 201, or permission of the instructor.
Latin American Studies

Administered by the Latin American Studies Committee; Enrique Yepes, Program Director
Emily C. Briley, Program Coordinator
(See committee list, page 354.)

Latin American Studies is an integrated interdisciplinary program that explores the cultural heritage of Mesoamerica, the Caribbean, and South America. Its multidisciplinary approach is designed to bring the scholarly methods and perspectives of several disciplines together in fostering increased understanding of Latin America’s history, political and economic realities, cultural diversity, and a range of aesthetic expression. Competence in Spanish (or another appropriate language such as French or Portuguese, with the approval of the administering committee) is required, and it is recommended that students participate in a study-away program in Latin America.

Requirements for the Major in Latin American Studies

The major in Latin American Studies consists of nine courses.

1. One of the following: Latin American Studies 207, Latin American Cultures (same as Spanish 207); Latin American Studies 209, Introduction to Hispanic Studies: Poetry and Theater (same as Spanish 209); Latin American Studies 210, Introduction Hispanic Studies: Essay and Narrative (same as Spanish 210).

2. Two of the following courses:
   a. Latin American Studies 252, Colonial Latin America (same as History 252), or Latin American Studies 255, Modern Latin America (same as History 255).
   b. A 200-level course in anthropology or sociology focused on Latin America.

3. A concentration of four additional courses centered on a particular geographic region (Andean region, Caribbean, Mesoamerica, Southern Cone, etc.) or theme (colonization, cultural hybridity, indigenous cultures, globalization, development issues, gender relations, etc.). The four-course concentration will be selected by each major in consultation with the faculty in Latin American Studies. The courses for the concentration should be primarily at the 200 or 300 level.

4. An elective course in Latin American Studies, outside of the student’s area of concentration.

5. In the senior year, each major will have the option of completing:
   a. a one- or two-semester independent study project or honors thesis, or
   b. a 300-level seminar approved for Latin American Studies credit.

A maximum of three courses from off-campus study programs may count toward the major with the approval of the director of Latin American Studies. Courses in which D or Credit (CR) grades are received will not count toward the major.

Requirements for the Minor in Latin American Studies

The minor consists of at least one Spanish course at Bowdoin beyond 204 (or another appropriate language): Latin American Studies 255, Modern Latin American History; and three additional courses, two of which must be outside the student’s major department.
Independent studies can meet requirements for the minor only with the approval of a written prospectus of the project by the director of Latin American Studies. Courses in which D or Credit (CR) grades are received will not count toward the minor.

Program Honors
Students contemplating honors candidacy must have established records of A and B in program course offerings and present clearly articulated proposals for scholarly research. Students must prepare and defend an honors thesis before a program faculty committee.

First-Year Seminars
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

(If you are not familiar with the project, you should read pages 160–66. Same as Africana Studies 14 and English 14.)

**[25b.d. Tasting Hierarchies: Food in Latin America. (Same as Anthropology 25.)]**

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

A chronological survey of the arts created by major cultures of ancient Mexico and Peru. Mesoamerican cultures studied include the Olmecs, Teotihuacan, the Maya, and the Aztec up through the arrival of the Europeans. South American cultures such as Chavin, Naca, and Inca are examined. Painting, sculpture, and architecture are considered in the context of religion and society. Readings in translation include Mayan myth and chronicles of the conquest. (Same as Art History 130.)

Surveys various musical traditions of the Caribbean, paying attention to the relation between sociohistorical context and artistic practice. Organized by geographic region, but addresses such larger issues as colonialism, nationalism, race, gender, and class. (Same as Africana Studies 138 and Music 138.)

**205c. Advanced Spanish.** Every semester. Fall 2008. Romance Languages Department.
The study of a variety of journalistic and literary texts and visual media, together with an advanced grammar review, designed to increase written and oral proficiency, as well as appreciation of the cultural history of the Spanish-speaking world. Foundational course for the major. Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with assistant. (Same as Spanish 205.)

Prerequisite: Spanish 204 or placement.

An introduction to the cultures of various French-speaking regions outside of France. Examines the history, politics, customs, cinema, literature, and the arts of the Francophone world, principally Africa and the Caribbean. Readings include newspaper and magazine articles, short stories, and a novel. Students see and discuss television news, documentaries, and feature films. Conducted in French. (Same as Africana Studies 207 and French 207.)

Prerequisite: French 205 or permission of the instructor.
209c - IP. Introduction to Hispanic Studies: Poetry and Theater. Every semester. ROMANCE LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT.
A chronological introduction to the cultural production of the Spanish-speaking world from Pre-Columbian times to the present, with particular emphasis on the analysis of poetry and theater. Examines major literary works and movements in their historical and cultural context. (Same as Spanish 209.)
Prerequisite: Spanish 205 (same as Latin American Studies 205) or permission of the instructor.

210c - IP. Introduction to Hispanic Studies: Essay and Narrative. Every semester. ROMANCE LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT.
A chronological introduction to the cultural production of the Spanish-speaking world from Pre-Columbian times to the present, with particular emphasis on the analysis of essay and narrative. Examines major literary works and movements in their historical and cultural context. (Same as Spanish 210.)
Prerequisite: Spanish 205 (same as Latin American Studies 205) or permission of the instructor.

211b,d - ESD. IP. Global Sexualities. Local Desires. (Same as Anthropology 210, Gay and Lesbian Studies 210, and Gender and Women’s Studies 210.)

225b - IP. Globalization and Social Change. (Same as Sociology 225.)

229b,d. Maya Archaeology and Ethnohistory. (Same as Anthropology 229.)

235b - IP. The Economy of Latin America. Fall 2008. JULIAN P. DIAZ.
Analyzes selected economic issues of Latin America in the twentieth century (and into the twenty-first century). Issues covered include the Import Substitution Industrialization strategy, the Debt Crisis of the 1980s, stabilization programs, trade liberalization and economic integration, inflation and hyperinflation in the region, and poverty and inequality. Important economic episodes of the past three decades such as the Mexican Crisis of 1994–1995, the Chilean Economic Miracle, dollarization in Ecuador, and the recent crisis in Argentina will also be examined. (Same as Economics 225.)
Prerequisite: Economics 101 and 102.

237b,d - ESD. IP. Gender and Family in Latin America. Fall 2008. KRISTA VAN VLEET.
Focuses on family, gender, and sexuality as windows onto political, economic, social, and cultural issues in Latin America. Topics include indigenous and natural gender ideologies, marriage, race, and class; machismo and masculinity; state and domestic violence; religion and reproductive control; compulsory heterosexuality; AIDS; and cross-cultural conceptions of homosexuality. Takes a comparative perspective and draws on a wide array of sources including ethnography, film, fiction, and historical narrative. (Same as Anthropology 237 and Gender and Women’s Studies 237.)
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or Sociology 101, or permission of the instructor.

252c,d - IP. Colonial Latin America. Fall 2008. ALLEN WELLS.
Introduces students to the history of Latin America from pre-Columbian times to about 1825. Traces developments fundamental to the establishment of colonial rule, drawing out regional comparisons of indigenous resistance and accommodation. Topics include the nature of indigenous societies encountered by Europeans; exploitation of African and Indian labor; evangelization and the role of the church; the evolution of race, gender, and class hierarchies in colonial society; and the origins of independence in Spanish America and Brazil. (Same as History 252.)
Courses of Instruction

Seminar. Texts, novels, and films help unravel Argentine history and culture. Topics examined include the image of the gaucho and national identity; the impact of immigration; Peronism; the tango; the Dirty War; and the elusive struggle for democracy, development, and social justice. (Same as History 254.)

Examines the evolving relationship between the environment, politics, and culture in Central America and the Caribbean. Topics include the environmental impact of economic development; colonialism; the predominance of plantation monoculture, slavery, and other forms of coerced labor; and political instability. (Same as Environmental Studies 256 and History 256.)

[258c.d. Latin American Revolutions. (Same as History 258.)]

266c.d - IP. History of Mexico. (Same as History 266.)]

Examines slave narratives and anti-slavery novels from the United States and Cuba (where almost all of the nineteenth-century writings in Spanish originated). Situates these works in their historical and literary contexts and explores the ways in which authors enter politically charged debates about slavery, gender, and sexuality. Authors include the orator, editor and statesmen, Frederick Douglass, the enslaved poet Juan Manzano, the feisty narrator Esteban Montejo, Martin Delany, known as the father of Black nationalism as well as the once enslaved authors and activists Harriet Jacobs and Louisa Picquet, and Jamaica’s famous woman warrior, Nanny. Spanish speakers will be encouraged to read primary texts and criticism in Spanish. Writing intensive. (Same as Africana Studies 268 and English 268.)
Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English or Africana studies.
Note: This course fulfills the literature of the Americas requirement for English majors.

[323c.d. The War of the (Latin American) Worlds. (Same as Spanish 323.)]

[324c.d. Empirical Africa: Exotism, Race, and Gender. (Same as Africana Studies 324 and French 324.)]

[326c.d. A Body “of One’s Own”: Latina and Caribbean Women Writers. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 326 and Spanish 326.)]

[331c.d. United States-Latino Literature in Spanish. (Same as Spanish 331.)]

[332c.d. Poetry and Social Activism in Latin America. (Same as Spanish 332.)]

[335c.d. Conquest and Sovereignty in Latin American Literature. (Same as Spanish 335.)]

[337c.d. Hispanic Short Story. (Same as Spanish 337.)]

[338c.d. Shining Path and the End of the World. (Same as Spanish 338.)]

[339c. Borges and the Borgesian. (Same as Spanish 339.)]

Studies nineteenth- and twentieth-century Argentinian and Uruguayan authors, focusing on the political and historical contexts in which they created their fictional works. Main course topics will include the representation of the city in Southern Cone literature, the relationship between fiction and visual arts during the twentieth century, and the discourses of political
identity in Argentina and Uruguay. Authors will include Esteban Echevarría, Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, Roberto Arlt, Silvina Ocampo, Jorge Luis Borges, Adolfo Bioy Casares, Luisa Valenzuela, Ricardo Piglia, Juan Carlos Onetti, among others. (Same as Spanish 340.)

Prerequisite: Spanish 209 (same as Latin American Studies 209) and 210 (same as Latin American Studies 210), or permission of the instructor.

A contextualized study of key texts from the Colonial period with special attention on the way in which our historical and ideological distance informs our readings. How do contemporary scholarship on the concepts of history, text, and power enhance or limit our understanding? Texts include letters and journals of the conquistadors, mestizo narratives of lost empires and cultures, treatises on the legal status of the natives, and narratives of shipwreck and adventure in the New World, among others. (Same as Spanish 341.)

Prerequisite: Spanish 209 (same as Latin American Studies 209) and 210 (same as Latin American Studies 210), or permission of the instructor.

An examination of the Mexican Revolution (1910–1920) and its impact on modern Mexican society. Topics include the role of state formation since the revolution, agrarian reform, United States-Mexican relations, immigration, and other border issues. (Same as History 351.)

[356c.d. The Cuban Revolution. (Same as History 356.)]

401c,d–402c,d. Advanced Independent Study in Latin American Studies. The Program.

Mathematics

Professors: William H. Barker, Stephen T. Fisk, Adam B. Levy, Chair; Rosemary A. Roberts, James E. Ward, Mary Lou Zeeman**
Associate Professor: Jennifer Taback
Assistant Professor: Thomas Pietraho
Visiting Assistant Professor: Mohammad Tajdari
Adjunct Lecturer: Leon Harkleroad
Postdoctoral Fellow: Helen Wong
Senior Department Coordinator: Suzanne M. Theberge

Requirements for the Major in Mathematics
A major consists of at least eight courses numbered 200 or above, including Mathematics 200 and 201 (or their equivalents), and a course numbered in the 300s. Students who have already mastered the material in Mathematics 200 or 201 may substitute a more advanced course after receiving approval from the department chair. Courses must be passed with a C- or better (including Credit) to count toward the major.

A student must submit a planned program of courses to the department when he or she declares a major. That program should include both theoretical and applied mathematics courses, and it may be changed later with the approval of the departmental advisor.
The requirement of a 300-level course is meant to ensure that all majors have sufficient experience in at least one specific area of mathematics. Those areas are algebra (Mathematics 201, 262, and 302); analysis (Mathematics 233, 263, and 303); applied mathematics (Mathematics 224, 264, and 304); probability and statistics (Mathematics 225, 265, and 305); and geometry (Mathematics 247 and 307).

In exceptional circumstances, a student may substitute a quantitative course from another department for one of the eight mathematics courses required for the major, but such a substitution must be approved in advance by the department. Without specific departmental approval, no course that counts toward another department’s major or minor may be counted toward a mathematics major or minor.

Majors who have demonstrated that they are capable of intensive advanced work are encouraged to undertake independent study projects. With the prior approval of the department, such a project counts toward the major requirement and may lead to graduation with honors in mathematics.

Requirements for the Minor in Mathematics

A minor in mathematics consists of a minimum of four courses numbered 200 or above. Courses must be passed with a C- or better (including Credit) to count toward the minor.

Interdisciplinary Majors

The department participates in interdisciplinary programs in computer science and mathematics and mathematics and economics. See pages 204 and 207.

Recommended Courses

Listed below are some of the courses recommended to students with the indicated interests.

For secondary school teaching:

For graduate study:
Mathematics 200, 201, 233, 262, 263, and at least one course numbered in the 300s.

For engineering and applied mathematics:
Mathematics 201, 204 (same as Biology 174), 224, 225, 233, 244, 258, 264, 265, 304.

For mathematical economics and econometrics:
Mathematics 201 or 225, 229, 244, 258, 263, 265, 304, 305, and Economics 316.

For statistics:
Mathematics 201, 224, 225, 235, 244, 265, 305.

For computer science:
Computer Science 231, 289; Mathematics 200, 201, 225, 229, 244, 258, 262, 265.

For operations research and management science:
Mathematics 200, 201, 225, 229, 258, 265, 305, and Economics 316.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


An introduction to the ideas of statistics. Students learn how to reason statistically and how to interpret and draw conclusions from data. Designed for students who want to understand the nature of statistical information. Open to first-year students and sophomores who want
to improve their quantitative skills. It is recommended that students with a background in calculus enroll in Mathematics 155 or 165.

Prerequisite: Recommendation of the director of the quantitative skills program and permission of the instructor.


Material selected from the following topics: combinatorics, probability, modern algebra, logic, linear programming, and computer programming. This course, in conjunction with Mathematics 155 or 161, is intended as a one-year introduction to mathematics and is recommended for those students who intend to take only one year of college mathematics.

155a - MCSR. Introduction to Statistics and Data Analysis. Spring 2009. The Department.

A general introduction to statistics in which students learn to draw conclusions from data using statistical techniques. Examples are drawn from many different areas of application. The computer is used extensively. Topics include exploratory data analysis, planning and design of experiments, probability, one and two sample t-procedures, and simple linear regression. Not open to students who have credit for Mathematics 165, Psychology 252, or Economics 257.

161a - MCSR. Differential Calculus. Every semester. The Department.

Functions, including the trigonometric, exponential, and logarithmic functions; the derivative and the rules for differentiation; the anti-derivative; applications of the derivative and the anti-derivative. Four to five hours of class meetings and computer laboratory sessions per week, on average. Open to students who have taken at least three years of mathematics in secondary school.


An introduction to the statistical methods used in the life sciences. Emphasizes conceptual understanding and includes topics from exploratory data analysis, the planning and design of experiments, probability, and statistical inference. One and two sample t-procedures and their non-parametric analogs, one-way ANOVA, simple linear regression, goodness of fit tests, and the chi-square test for independence are discussed. Four to five hours of class meetings and computer laboratory sessions per week, on average. Not open to students who have credit for Mathematics 155, Psychology 252, or Economics 257.

171a - MCSR. Integral Calculus. Every semester. The Department.

The definite integral; the Fundamental theorems; improper integrals; applications of the definite integral; differential equations; and approximations including Taylor polynomials and Fourier series. Four to five hours of class meetings and computer laboratory sessions per week, on average.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 161.

172a - MCSR. Integral Calculus, Advanced Section. Every fall. The Department.

A review of the exponential and logarithmic functions, techniques of integration, and numerical integration. Improper integrals. Approximations using Taylor polynomials and infinite series. Emphasis on differential equation models and their solutions. Four to five hours of class meetings and computer laboratory sessions per week, on average. Open to students whose backgrounds include the equivalent of Mathematics 161 and the first half of Mathematics 171. Designed for first-year students who have completed an AB Advanced Placement calculus course in their secondary schools.
181a - MCSR. Multivariate Calculus. Every semester. The Department.

Multivariate calculus in two and three dimensions. Vectors and curves in two and three dimensions; partial and directional derivatives; the gradient; the chain rule in higher dimensions; double and triple integration; polar, cylindrical, and spherical coordinates; line integration; conservative vector fields; and Green’s theorem. Four to five hours of class meetings and computer laboratory sessions per week, on average.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 171.


An introduction to logical deductive reasoning, mathematical proof, and the fundamental concepts of higher mathematics. Specific topics include set theory, induction, infinite sets, permutations, and combinations. An active, guided discovery classroom format.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 171 or permission of the instructor.


Topics include vectors, matrices, vector spaces, inner product spaces, linear transformations, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, and quadratic forms. Applications to linear equations, discrete dynamical systems, Markov chains, least-squares approximation, and Fourier series. Formerly Mathematics 222.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 171 or permission of the instructor.

204a - MCSR. Biomathematics. Fall 2008. Mary Lou Zeeman.

A study of mathematical methods driven by questions in biology. Biological questions are drawn from a broad range of topics, including disease, ecology, genetics, population dynamics, neurobiology, endocrinology and biomechanics. Mathematical methods include compartmental models, matrices, linear transformations, eigenvalues, eigenvectors, matrix iteration and simulation; ODE models and simulation, stability analysis, attractors, oscillations and limiting behavior, mathematical consequences of feedback, and multiple time-scales. Three hours of class meetings and two hours of computer laboratory sessions per week. Within the biology major, this course may count as the mathematics credit or as biology credit, but not both. Students are expected to have taken a year of high school or college biology prior to taking this course. Formerly Mathematics 174. (Same as Biology 174.)

Prerequisite: Mathematics 161 or permission of the instructor.


A study of some of the ordinary differential equations that model a variety of systems in the natural and social sciences. Classical methods for solving differential equations with an emphasis on modern, qualitative techniques for studying the behavior of solutions to differential equations. Applications to the analysis of a broad set of topics, including population dynamics, competitive economic markets, and design flaws. Computer software is used as an important tool, but no prior programming background is assumed.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 181 or permission of the instructor.


A study of the mathematical models used to formalize nondeterministic or “chance” phenomena. General topics include combinatorial models, probability spaces, conditional probability, discrete and continuous random variables, independence and expected values. Specific probability densities, such as the binomial, Poisson, exponential, and normal, are discussed in depth.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 181 or permission of the instructor.

Topology studies properties of geometric objects that do not change when the object is deformed. The course covers knot theory, surfaces, and other elementary areas of topology.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 or permission of the instructor.

229a - MCSR. Optimization. Every other spring. Spring 2009. The Department.

A study of optimization problems arising in a variety of situations in the social and natural sciences. Analytic and numerical methods are used to study problems in mathematical programming, including linear models, but with an emphasis on modern nonlinear models. Issues of duality and sensitivity to data perturbations are covered, and there are extensive applications to real-world problems.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 181 or permission of the instructor.


A standard course in elementary number theory, which traces the historical development and includes the major contributions of Euclid, Fermat, Euler, Gauss, and Dirichlet. Prime numbers, factorization, and number-theoretic functions. Perfect numbers and Mersenne primes. Fermat’s theorem and its consequences. Congruences and the law of quadratic reciprocity. The problem of unique factorization in various number systems. Integer solutions to algebraic equations. Primes in arithmetic progressions. An effort is made to collect along the way a list of unsolved problems.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 or permission of the instructor.

233a - MCSR. Functions of a Complex Variable. Fall 2009. The Department.

The differential and integral calculus of functions of a complex variable. Cauchy’s theorem and Cauchy’s integral formula, power series, singularities, Taylor’s theorem, Laurent’s theorem, the residue calculus, harmonic functions, and conformal mapping.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 181 or permission of the instructor.


Almost all data collected by researchers is multivariate. An introduction to the theory and techniques of exploratory multivariate data analysis. Topics include graphical techniques, scientific visualization, discriminant analysis, principle components, multi-dimensional scaling, classification, phylogeny trees and genomics, cluster analysis, and data mining. Students learn how to use the statistical system R.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) or permission of the instructor.

244a - MCSR. Numerical Methods. Spring 2010. The Department.

An introduction to the theory and application of numerical analysis. Topics include approximation theory, numerical integration and differentiation, iterative methods for solving equations, and numerical analysis of differential equations.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) or permission of the instructor.


Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 or permission of the instructor.

258a - MCSR. Combinatorics and Graph Theory. Every other spring. Spring 2009. The Department.

An introduction to combinatorics and graph theory. Topics to be covered may include enumeration, matching theory, generating functions, partially ordered sets, Latin squares, designs, and graph algorithms.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 or permission of the instructor.

262a - MCSR. Introduction to Algebraic Structures. Spring 2009. The Department.

A study of the basic arithmetic and algebraic structure of the common number systems, polynomials, and matrices. Axioms for groups, rings, and fields, and an investigation into general abstract systems that satisfy certain arithmetic axioms. Properties of mappings that preserve algebraic structure.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 and 201 (formerly Mathematics 222), or permission of the instructor.


Emphasizes proof and develops the rudiments of mathematical analysis. Topics include an introduction to the theory of sets and topology of metric spaces, sequences and series, continuity, differentiability, and the theory of Riemann integration. Additional topics may be chosen as time permits.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200 or a 200-level mathematics course approved by the instructor.


A study of some of the partial differential equations that model a variety of systems in the natural and social sciences. Classical methods for solving partial differential equations, with an emphasis where appropriate on modern, qualitative techniques for studying the behavior of solutions. Applications to the analysis of a broad set of topics, including air quality, traffic flow, and imaging. Computer software is used as an important tool, but no prior programming background is assumed.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) and 224, or permission of the instructor.

265a - MCSR. Statistics. Every spring. The Department.

An introduction to the fundamentals of mathematical statistics. General topics include likelihood methods, point and interval estimation, and tests of significance. Applications include inference about binomial, Poisson, and exponential models, frequency data, and analysis of normal measurements.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) and 225, or permission of the instructor.

302a. **Advanced Topics in Algebra.** Every other spring. Spring 2010. **The Department.**

One or more specialized topics from abstract algebra and its applications. Topics may include group representation theory, coding theory, symmetries, ring theory, finite fields and field theory, algebraic numbers, and Diophantine equations.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 262 or permission of the instructor.

303a. **Advanced Topics in Analysis.** Every other spring. Spring 2009. **The Department.**

One or more selected topics from analysis. Possible topics include geometric measure theory, Lebesque general measure and integration theory, Fourier analysis, Hilbert and Banach space theory, and spectral theory.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) and 263, or permission of the instructor.

304a. **Advanced Topics in Applied Mathematics.** Every other fall. Fall 2008. **Adam Levy.**

One or more selected topics in applied mathematics. Material selected from the following: Fourier series, partial differential equations, integral equations, optimal control, bifurcation theory, asymptotic analysis, applied functional analysis, and topics in mathematical physics.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 200, 201 (formerly Mathematics 222), and 224, or permission of the instructor.

305a. **Advanced Topics in Probability and Statistics.** Every other fall. Fall 2009. **The Department.**

One or more specialized topics in probability and statistics. Possible topics include regression analysis, nonparametric statistics, logistic regression, and other linear and nonlinear approaches to modeling data. Emphasis is on the mathematical derivation of the statistical procedures and on the application of the statistical theory to real-life problems.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) and 265, or permission of the instructor.

307a. **Advanced Topics in Geometry.** Every other fall. Fall 2009. **The Department.**

A survey of three-dimensional Euclidean geometry, affine geometry, projective geometry, and non-Euclidean geometries. Culminates in the geometry of four-dimensional space-time in special relativity. The unifying theme is the transformational viewpoint of Klein’s Erlangen Program.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 201 (formerly Mathematics 222) and 247, or permission of the instructor.

401a–404a. **Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Mathematics.** **The Department.**
Music

Professors: Robert K. Greenlee†, Mary Hunter, Chair; Cristle Collins Judd
Associate Professor: James W. McCalla
Assistant Professor: Vineet Shende
Visiting Assistant Professors: Shannon M. Chase, Anthony Perman
Senior Lecturer: Anthony F. Antolini
Lecturer: Frank Mauceri
Adjunct Lecturer: Christopher Watkinson
Director of the Bowdoin Concert Band: John Morneau
Director of Chamber Ensembles: Roland Vazquez
Senior Department Coordinator: Linda Marquis

Requirements for the Major in Music

The music major consists of ten academic courses and two performance credits. Most majors follow one of the tracks indicated in the “Sample Majors” listed below, but students are also invited to design a major to suit their own needs. No more than two 100-level courses in addition to Music 101, 131, and 151 may be counted toward the major, and two 300-level courses in addition to Music 451 are normally required of all majors. Honors work normally adds one extra course to the standard ten, and its second semester counts as the senior independent study.

The process for declaring the major is as follows: (1) The student consults with a member of the music faculty as early in the individual’s college career as possible. (2) Before declaring a major, the student proposes a list of courses that fulfill the major, or identifies a sample major to follow by submitting a list or sample major announcement to the music department chair or to another member of the department. (3) Upon departmental approval of the list of courses or the particular track, the major declaration is signed by the department chair. Subsequent alterations to this list of courses are possible only in consultation with the chair of the department or another member of the music faculty.

Sample Sequences of Courses for the Music Major

General Music Major

Music 101, 131 or 211, 151, 203, 302, and 451.
Four electives, including two 200-level courses and one 300-level course. One consecutive year of lessons on the same instrument; one consecutive year in the same ensemble. Honors in music adds one advanced independent study to this list.

Music and Culture

Music 101 or 151, 131, 211; a total of five electives: two or three from the music department (including at least one at the 200 level); and two or three relevant and sequential courses from another department, including at least one at the 200 level; a 200-level independent study combining departmental and extra-departmental perspectives; one course numbered 355–358, and 451; and one full credit of a non-Western ensemble.

Composition

Music 101, 151, 203, 218 or 291, 243, one course numbered 250–259, 302, 361, 451, and one elective, plus the lessons and ensemble required for the general major, above.
Western Music History

Music 101, 131, 151, 203, one course numbered 250–259, 302, one course numbered 351–354, two electives (including at least one at the 200 level), 451; plus the lessons and ensemble required for the general major, above.

Requirements for the Minor in Music

The minor in music consists of six credits (five academic courses and one consecutive year of private lessons or one year of participation in a single ensemble). The five academic courses include 101 and any four others including at least two above the 100 level.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


For the entry-level student. Explores the fundamental elements of music — form, harmony, melody, pitch, rhythm, texture, timbre — and teaches basic skills in reading and writing Western music notation for the purposes of reading, analyzing, and creating musical works.


Designed for students with some beginning experience in music theory and an ability to read music. Covers scales, keys, modes, intervals, and basic tonal harmony. Entrance to the course is determined by a placement exam or permission of the instructor. To ensure proper placement, students are expected to have taken the music placement examination prior to registering for Music 101.


Introduction to some major works and central issues in the canon of Western music, from the middle ages up to the present day. Includes some concert attendance and in-class demonstrations.


Explores the history of audio recording technology, aesthetic function of recording technique, modern applications of multitrack recording, and digital editing of sound created and captured in the acoustic arena. Topics will include the physics of sound, microphone form and function, audio mixing board topology, dynamic and modulation processors, studio design and construction, principles of analog to digital (ADA) conversion, and artistic choice as an audio engineer. One-half credit.

[111c,d - VPA. Rhythm!]

[113c,d - VPA. African Dance and Music. (Same as Africana Studies 113 and Dance 113.])

[115c. Bodywork for Performers. (Same as Dance 115 and Theater 115.)]

Music 120 through 149 cover specific aspects of music history and literature, designed for students with little or no background in music. Course titles and contents may change every semester.
   A survey of jazz’s development from its African American roots in the late nineteenth century through the Swing Era of the 1930s and 1940s, and following the great Swing artists—e.g., Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Billie Holiday, and Benny Goodman—through their later careers. Emphasis is on musical elements, but includes much attention to cultural and historical context through readings and videos. (Same as Africana Studies 121.)

   A survey of jazz’s development from the creation of bebop in the 1940s through the present day, e.g., from Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie through such artists as Joshua Redman, James Carter, and the Art Ensemble of Chicago. Emphasis is on musical elements, but includes much attention to cultural and historical context through readings and videos. (Same as Africana Studies 122.)

125c,d - VPA. Music in the Arab World. Every other year. Fall 2009. Mary Hunter.
   A general survey of Arab music in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula. An introduction to characteristic pan-Arab instruments, scales, rhythms and principles of musical construction, followed by considerations of selected folk, popular, classical, and religious traditions. Includes visits by Arab musicians working in the Boston area.

   Highly recommended for those considering majoring in music. An introduction to the academic study of music and the types of questions confronting music scholars today. Why do humans make music? In what ways are ideas communicated with musical sounds? How do musical preferences develop? How can we understand musical practices from different cultural and historical contexts? Introduces students to the disciplinary goals and methods of the numerous subfields of music scholarship, as well as the ways in which music scholarship contributes to a variety of interdisciplinary approaches and life outside of academia.

   Surveys various musical traditions of the Caribbean, paying attention to the relation between sociohistorical context and artistic practice. Organized by geographic region, but addresses such larger issues as colonialism, nationalism, race, gender, and class. (Same as Africana Studies 138 and Latin American Studies 138.)

139c,d - IP, VPA. Music of South Asia. Every three years. Spring 2010. Vineet ShenDe.
   A survey of the musical traditions of the Indian Subcontinent, with particular emphasis on the genres of North Indian (Hindustani) classical, South Indian (Karnatak) classical, and “Bollywood” film music. While historical and cultural factors are studied, focus is on musical construction concepts and processes. (Same as Asian Studies 139.)
   Prerequisite: Music 61, 101, or 131, or permission of the instructor.

   A largely practical, project-oriented course, for students with some basic experience in music. Students learn elementary tonal vocabulary through writing and performing their own songs, mostly in “Rodgers and Hammerstein” style. Chord writing and analysis, bass-line construction, text-setting, and basic keyboard skills are addressed. Small-group and individual lab sessions are scheduled separately.
   Prerequisite: Music 101 or passing grade on the department’s music theory placement examination, or permission of instructor.

Through a survey of music from Bach to Beethoven, the student learns to recognize the basic processes and forms of tonal music, to read a score fluently, and to identify chords and modulations. Knowledge of scales and key signatures, as well as ability to read bass clef, are required.

Prerequisite: Music 151 or permission of instructor.


An introduction to the principal theories and methods of ethnomusicology. Focuses on the foundational texts defining the cultural study of the world’s musics, drawing upon concepts and tools from both anthropology and musicology. Addresses issues regarding musical fieldwork, recording, and cultural analysis. Students engage in ethnomusicological field projects to put into practice what they study in the classroom.

Prerequisite: One course in music, or permission of the instructor.


The careers of composer/leader/bassist Charles Mingus (1922–1979) and singer/pianist Nina Simone (1933–2003) reflected similar concerns—the multifarious varieties of black music, the use of black musics as statements of racial pride, the openness toward many musical genres in their own work, the constant explorations, and not least the intense involvement in civil rights and their own explosive temperaments. At the same time, these two major artists were very different in their individual styles and in their life experiences. Studies the output of both Mingus and Simone in their relationship to jazz history and other musical genres, and in the context of the social movements of their time. Biographical and autobiographical readings as well as some secondary literature will complement the critical musical analysis. (Same as Africana Studies 212.)

Prerequisite: Music 121 or 122.


Examination of the history and techniques of electronic and computer music. Topics include compositional aesthetics, recording technology, digital and analog synthesis, sampling, MIDI (Musical Instrument Digital Interface), and computer-assisted composition. Ends with a concert of student compositions.

Prerequisite: Music 203.


Do we understand improvised and composed music differently, and, if so, how? Investigates musical syntax in improvised settings and its consequences for the organization of time in music. Also considers the social functions and meanings of improvisation. Analysis draws from recordings, interviews, and writings in ethnomusicology, semiotics, and music theory. At the same time, students participate in regular improvisation workshops exploring vernacular musics, avant-garde open forms, and interactive electronics.

Prerequisite: Music 151 or permission of the instructor.


Examines how Britten’s operas address real concerns of contemporary audiences: the isolated self in society, the nature of evil, and sexuality and its often sublimated expressions. Concentrates on five Britten operas: Peter Grimes (1945), Billy Budd (1951/1960), The Turn of the Screw (1954), A Midsummer Night’s Dream (1960), and Death in Venice (1973).
Courses of Instruction

Students read the original sources of the last four (Herman Melville, Henry James, William Shakespeare, and Thomas Mann) and consider the transformations and, in some cases, the refocusing necessary to move these works to the operatic stage.

Prerequisite: One course in music, or permission of the instructor.

[227c - VPA. Mozart’s Operas.]


An integrated study of song literature, singing style, and musicianship focusing on interpretation and analysis according to genre, form, literary theme, and conventions of performance. Examines an eclectic song repertory by preeminent composers and arrangers spanning centuries and continents such as Italian art song, Celtic folk song, German lied, vocal jazz ballad, contemporary American art song, operatic aria, and examples from musical theater. The central subject of archetypal romantic love characterizes the music under study. Topics include subtext and its musical manifestation, the relationship between imagery and text painting in musical settings of romantic poetry, songs of love and despair, and characters of love and their songs. Engages student in music listening, score reading and analysis, singing, song study, practice, and performance. Requires basic musicianship skills and some singing experience.


An introduction to the art of combining the elements of melody, harmony, rhythm, form, and orchestration to create cohesive and engaging music. Students learn techniques for generating and developing musical ideas through exercises and four main compositional assignments: a work for solo instrument, a theme and variations for solo instrument and piano, a song for voice and piano, and a multi-movement work for three to five instruments. Students also learn ways to discuss and critique their own and one another’s work. Ends with a concert of student compositions.

Prerequisite: Music 101 or permission of the instructor.


Explores the role music plays in several religious and spiritual contexts around the world. Explores the relationship between music and a range of epistemological systems incorporating religion, spirituality, philosophy, mythology, and cosmology. Aims to understand how music works in ritual settings, enacts normative social orders, and triggers altered states of being such as trance, spirit possession, and spiritual ecstasy. (Same as Anthropology 262.)

Prerequisite: One course in music or permission of the instructor.


An examination of selected vocal works by Josquin Des Prez, Palestrina, Monteverdi, Handel, and Bach, among others. A survey of the changing aesthetics of vocal music on either side of the “invention” of opera in 1600, and consideration of the relation between genre (motet, madrigal, opera, oratorio, mass) and text setting during this time.

Prerequisite: Music 151 or permission of the instructor.


A historical study of many of the principal works of Western classical music, with special attention to the processes of canon formation and the changes in the canon over time.

Prerequisite: Music 203.

[302c. Tonal Composition.]
[351c. Topics in Music History.]


Explores the ways in which music and emotion are connected in musical practice and experience. Students explore the role of music in heightened experiences such as trance and ecstasy, as well as the everyday emotional responses to performance. Students are introduced to the literature exploring these themes from music history, music theory, ethnomusicology, and anthropology in an effort to understand the fundamental role music plays in human experience.

Prerequisite: Three courses in music, or permission of the instructor.


An in-depth examination of factors to consider when writing for modern orchestral instruments. Students become familiar with all such instruments and arrange and transcribe works for ensembles such as string quartet, woodwind quartet, brass quintet, percussion ensemble, and full orchestra. Students also study scores by composers such as Brahms, Mahler, Ravel, Schoenberg, Stravinsky, and Takemitsu in order to further their knowledge of the techniques of instrumentation.

Prerequisite: Music 203, 243, or 302, or permission of the instructor.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Music. The Department.

451c. Senior Project in Music. Every spring. The Department.

All senior majors must take this course, which involves either a single semester of independent work or the second semester of an honors thesis. Students meet regularly with each other and at least one faculty member to discuss their work or readings relevant to all senior majors. Must be taken in the spring of the senior year. Open only to senior music majors.

PERFORMANCE STUDIES

Up to six credits of individual performance and ensemble courses together may be taken for graduation credit. Music 385 and 386 count as academic credits and are thus not included in this limitation. Lessons, large ensembles, chamber ensembles, and jazz ensembles may also be taken as non-credit courses.


The following provisions govern applied music lessons for credit:

1. Individual performance courses are intended for the continued study of instruments with which the student is already familiar. Students must take at least two consecutive semesters of study on the same instrument to receive one-half credit per semester and to receive the reduced rate. The first semester of study on the first instrument will be designated Music 285. The second and all subsequent semesters of credit lessons on the same instrument will be designated Music 286. The first semester of study on a different instrument will be designated Music 287. The second and all subsequent semesters of study on that second instrument will be designated Music 288. The number Music 289 is reserved for all semesters of study on a third instrument.
2. One-half credit, graded CR/D/F, may be granted for each semester of study. To receive credit, students must register for lessons at the beginning of each semester of study in the Office of the Registrar and the Department of Music. *Note:* Add/drop dates for lessons are earlier than add/drop dates for other courses. *The deadline to add lessons is one week from the start of classes, and the deadline to drop lessons is two weeks from the start of classes.*

3. Admission is by audition only. Only students who are intermediate or beyond in the development of their skills are admitted.

4. Beginning with the second semester of lessons, students must perform in an end-of-semester public performance. Repertory classes, Lunchbreak Concerts, and other designated music department venues all count as public performances. Such performances must be registered with the department coordinator to count for credit.

5. To receive credit for Individual Performance Studies, the student must complete an academic course in the music department (including *Music 385*) within the first year and a half of study, or by graduation, whichever comes first.

6. Students taking lessons for credit pay a fee of $467 for twelve one-hour lessons per semester. Junior and senior music majors and minors may take two half-credits free of charge.

7. Student Recitals. In most circumstances, a student is required to take *Music 385–387* (see below) in order to perform a solo recital. In some cases, however, a student may be allowed to perform a recital without taking *Music 385–387*, subject to permission of the instructor, availability of suitable times, and contingent upon a successful audition in the music department. The student is expected to arrange for an accompanist (who must play for the audition) and pay any accompanist’s fees.

*385c–387c - VPA. Advanced Individual Performance Studies.* Every year.

Prerequisite: *Music 286*.

1. This option for private study is open only to students already advanced on their instruments. Students may take one or more semesters of this option. *Music 386* may be repeated for credit. *The first semester of study will be designated Music 385. The second and all subsequent semesters of private lessons on the same instrument will be designated Music 386. The number 387 is reserved for all semesters of study on a second instrument.*

2. A full credit may be granted for each semester of study. To receive credit, students must register at the beginning of each semester of lessons in the Office of the Registrar and the Department of Music. *Note:* Add/drop dates for lessons are earlier than add/drop dates for other courses. *The deadline to add lessons is one week from the start of classes, and the deadline to drop lessons is two weeks from the start of classes.*

3. Admission is by departmental audition only. Students must audition with a member of the music department before signing up for this option. Subsequent semesters of advanced lessons on the same instrument do not require further auditions.

4. To receive credit for lessons, the student must perform a thirty- to forty-five-minute recital at the end of the semester. The student is expected to write program notes for this recital and other written work acceptable to the faculty advisor.
5. To receive credit, the student must have an advisor from the music department faculty, and be able to demonstrate to that faculty member that he or she understands the structure and/or context of the music. The letter grade will be determined jointly by the applied teacher and the faculty member after the recital.

6. Fees as with half-credit lessons.

Instructors for 2008–2009 include Julia Adams (viola), Annie Antonacos (piano), Christina Astrachan (voice), Naydene Bowder (piano and harpsichord), Christina Chute (cello), Ray Cornils (organ), Matt Fogg (jazz piano), Allen Graffam (trumpet), Steve Grover (drums), Molly Hahn (harp), Anita Jerosch (low brass), Timothy Johnson (voice), John Johnstone (classical guitar), David Joseph (bassoon), Stephen Kecskemethy (violin), Greg Loughman (electric bass), Frank Mauceri (jazz saxophone), Kathleen McNerney (oboe), Joyce Moulton (piano), Gilbert Peltola (saxophone and clarinet), Bonnie Scarpelli (voice), Krysia Tripp (flute), Scott Vaillancourt (tuba), and Gary Wittner (jazz guitar).

**Ensemble Performance Studies.** Every year.

The following provisions govern ensemble:

1. All ensembles are auditioned; returning students need not normally re-audition.
2. One-half credit may be granted for each semester of study. To receive credit, the student must register for the course in the Office of the Registrar.
3. Grading is Credit/D/Fail.
4. Ensembles meet regularly for a minimum of three hours weekly, inclusive of time without the ensemble director; ensemble directors establish appropriate attendance policies.
5. All ensembles require public performance.

[269c - VPA. Middle Eastern Ensemble.]

271c - VPA. Chamber Choir. Shannon Chase.

273c - VPA. Chorus. Anthony Antolini.

275c - VPA. Concert Band. John Morneau.

279c - VPA. Chamber Ensembles. Roland Vazquez.

281c - VPA. World Music Ensemble. Anthony Perman.

283c - VPA. Jazz Ensembles. Frank Mauceri.
Neuroscience

Administered by the Neuroscience Committee; Patsy S. Dickinson, Chair
Julie J. Santorella, Program Coordinator
(See committee list, page 354.)

Joint Appointments with Biology: Professor Patsy S. Dickinson, Assistant Professor
Hadley Wilson Horch
Joint Appointments with Psychology: Associate Professor Richmond Thompson,
Assistant Professor Seth Ramus
Laboratory Instructor: Nancy J. Curtis

Requirements for the Major in Neuroscience

The major consists of twelve courses, including nine core courses and three electives from
the lists below. Advanced placement credits may not be used to fulfill any of the course
requirements for the major. Independent study in neuroscience may be used to fulfill one of
the two elective credits. If students place out of Psychology 101, twelve courses related to
Neuroscience must still be completed.

Note: The information provided below is a listing of required and elective courses for the
major in Neuroscience. These courses are offered by other departments and programs within
the College. Please refer to the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, and
Psychology for further information, including course descriptions, instructors, and semesters
when these courses will next be offered.

I. Core Courses

Introductory Level and General Courses

Biology 109a - MCSR, INS. Introductory Biology
or Biology 102a - MCSR, INS. Biological Principles II
Chemistry 225a. Organic Chemistry I
Psychology 10b. What’s on Your Mind? An Introduction to the Brain
and Behavior
or Psychology 101b. Introduction to Psychology
Psychology 252a - MCSR. Data Analysis
or Mathematics 165a - MCSR. Biostatistics

Introductory Neuroscience Course

Biology 213a - MCSR, INS. Neurobiology
or Psychology 218a. Physiological Psychology

Mid-level Neuroscience Courses

Three of the following:
Biology 253a. Neurophysiology
Biology 266a. Molecular Neurobiology
Psychology 275a - INS. Laboratory in Behavioral Neuroscience: Social Behavior
Psychology 276a - INS. Laboratory in Behavioral Neuroscience: Learning and Memory
Advanced Neuroscience Course

One of the following:
Biology 325a. Topics in Neuroscience
Biology 329a. Neuronal Regeneration
Psychology 315a. Hormones and Behavior
Psychology 316a. Comparative Neuroanatomy
Psychology 319a. Memory and Brain

II. Three electives may be chosen from the courses listed above (but not already taken) or below:

Biology 101a - MCSR, INS. Biological Principles I
Biology 212a - MCSR, INS. Genetics and Molecular Biology
Biology 214a - MCSR, INS. Comparative Physiology
Biology 217a - MCSR, INS. Developmental Biology
Biology 224a - MCSR, INS. Biochemistry and Cell Biology
(same as Chemistry 231)
Biology 333a. Advanced Cell and Molecular Biology
Chemistry 232a - MCSR. Biochemistry (same as Biology 232)
Computer Science 355a. Cognitive Architecture
Mathematics 204a - MCSR. Biomathematics (same as Biology 174)
Physics 104a - MCSR, INS. Introductory Physics II
Psychology 210b. Infant and Child Development
Psychology 216b. Cognitive Psychology
Psychology 217a. Neuropsychology
Psychology 251b. Research Design in Psychology
Psychology 259b/260b. Abnormal Psychology
Psychology 270b. Laboratory in Cognition

Neuroscience 291a–294a. Intermediate Independent Study
Neuroscience 401a–404a. Advanced Independent Study and Honors
Courses of Instruction

Philosophy

Professors: Denis Corish, Scott R. Sehon**
Associate Professor: Matthew F. Stuart
Joint Appointment with Environmental Studies: Associate Professor Lawrence H. Simon, Chair
Assistant Professor: Sarah O’Brien Conly
Department Coordinator: Emily C. Briley

Requirements for the Major in Philosophy
The major consists of eight courses, which must include Philosophy 111, 112, and 223; at least one other course from the group numbered in the 200s; and two from the group numbered in the 300s. The remaining two courses may be from any level. Courses in which D grades are received are not counted toward the major.

Requirements for the Minor in Philosophy
The minor consists of four courses, which must include Philosophy 111 and 112 and one course from the group numbered in the 200s. The fourth course may be from any level. Courses in which D grades are received are not counted toward the minor.

First-Year Seminars
Topics in first-year seminars change from time to time but are restricted in scope and make no pretense to being an introduction to the whole field of philosophy. They are topics in which contemporary debate is lively and as yet unsettled and to which contributions are often being made by more than one field of learning. For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

18c. Love. Fall 2009. Sarah Conly.
[27c. Moral History.]

Introductory Courses
Introductory courses are open to all students regardless of year and count towards the major. They do not presuppose any background in philosophy and are good first courses.

   The sources and prototypes of Western thought. We try to understand and evaluate Greek ideas about value, knowledge, and truth.

   A survey of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century European philosophy, focusing on discussions of the ultimate nature of reality and our knowledge of it. Topics include the nature of the mind and its relation to the body, the existence of God, and the free will problem. Readings from Descartes, Locke, Hume, Kant, and others.

Our society is riven by deep and troubling moral controversies. Examines some of these controversies in the context of current arguments and leading theoretical positions. Possible topics include abortion, physician-assisted suicide, capital punishment, sexuality, the justifiability of terrorism, and the justice of war.


Does God exist? Can the existence of God be proven? Can it be disproven? Is it rational to believe in God? What does it mean to say that God exists (or does not exist)? What distinguishes religious beliefs from non-religious beliefs? What is the relation between religion and science? Approaches these and related questions through a variety of historical and contemporary sources, including philosophers, scientists, and theologians. (Same as Religion 142.)


Intermediate Courses


What are the causes of historical development? Is history progressive? Do freedom and reason manifest themselves in history? A study of the development of political philosophy and philosophy of history in nineteenth-century German philosophy from Kant through Hegel to Marx.


Examines issues central for physicians, biological researchers, and society: cloning, genetic engineering, biological patenting, corporate funding for medical research, use of experimental procedures, and others.


How should one live? What is the good? What is my duty? What is the proper method for doing ethics? The fundamental questions of ethics are examined in the classic texts of Aristotle, Hume, Mill, and Kant.

222c. Political Philosophy.


The central problem of logic is to determine which arguments are good and which are bad. To this end, we introduce a symbolic language and rigorous, formal methods for seeing whether one statement logically implies another. We apply these tools to a variety of arguments, philosophical and otherwise. We also demonstrate certain theorems about the formal system we construct.


Focuses on the problems of time, but also addresses some questions covering space, and some concerning the general structure, of which time and space might be considered interpretations. Considers some ancient views (Plato and Aristotle), some early modern views (Newton and Leibniz), and some contemporary disputed questions (e.g., is time to be thought of in such terms as "earlier"/"later," or rather, "past"/"present"/"future"/).

Science is often thought of as the paradigm of rational inquiry, as a method that gives us an unparalleled ability to understand the nature of the world. Others have doubted this rosy picture, and have emphasized historical and sociological aspects of the practice of science. Investigates the nature of science and scientific thought by looking at a variety of topics, including the demarcation of science and non-science, relativism and objectivity, logical empiricism, scientific revolutions, and scientific realism.


Metaphysics is the study of very abstract questions about reality. What does reality include? What is the relation between things and their properties? What is time? Do objects and persons have temporal parts as well as spatial parts? What accounts for the identity of persons over time? What is action, and do we ever act freely?


An examination of some key figures and works in the development of analytic philosophy. Particular attention is given to theory about the nature of physical reality and our perceptual knowledge of it, and to questions about the nature and function of language. Readings from Bertrand Russell, G. E. Moore, W. V. O. Quine, Gilbert Ryle, and others.


Investigates several philosophically important results of modern logic, including Gödel’s incompleteness theorems, the Church-Turing Theorem (that there is no decision procedure for quantificational validity), and Tarski’s theorem (the indefinability of truth for formal languages). Discusses both the mathematical content and philosophical significance of these results.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 223 or permission of the instructor.

235c - ESD. Topics in Feminist Theory. Spring 2010. Sarah Conly.

Examines central questions in feminist theory. What is gender? Is gender natural or is it a social construction? How many genders are there? What makes someone a woman? Can what it is to be a woman change? Can men become women? Can women become men? What is the difference, if any, between gender and sex? Addresses these and other central issues in feminist philosophy. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 235 and Gender and Women’s Studies 236.)


An introduction to legal theory. Central questions include: What is law? What is the relationship of law to morality? What is the nature of judicial reasoning? Particular legal issues include the nature and status of privacy rights (e.g., contraception, abortion, and the right to die); the legitimacy of restrictions on speech and expression (e.g., pornography, hate speech); the nature of equality rights (e.g., race and gender); and the right to liberty (e.g., homosexuality).


Examines contemporary work in this diverse and exciting area. African philosophers raise many questions: Given the variety of African cultures, is there a distinctive outlook African philosophers share, and if so, what is it? How should academic philosophers regard indigenous philosophy? Are their distinctive African concepts of beauty, truth, and the good life? What “counts” as African? Examines these and other ethical, aesthetic, and metaphysical questions. (Same as Africana Studies 249.)

What things in nature have moral standing? What are our obligations to them? How should we resolve conflicts among our obligations? After an introduction to ethical theory, topics to be covered include anthropocentrism, the moral status of nonhuman sentient beings and of nonsentient living beings, preservation of endangered species and the wilderness, holism versus individualism, the land ethic, and deep ecology. (Same as Environmental Studies 258.)


Advanced Courses

Although courses numbered in the 300s are advanced seminars primarily intended for majors in philosophy, adequately prepared students from other fields are also welcome. Besides stated prerequisites, at least one of the courses from the group numbered in the 200s will also be found a helpful preparation.


Do we have free will and moral responsibility? Can we have free will and moral responsibility if determinism is true? More broadly, can we have free will if all human behaviors can be explained scientifically? Readings from contemporary sources.

Prerequisite: One course in philosophy.

[337c. Hume.]

[346c. Philosophy of Gender: Sex and Love. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 346 and Gender and Women's Studies 346.)]


Examines metaphysical theories about our nature, the unity of consciousness, and our persistence over time. Readings include classic early modern texts (Locke, Hume, Reid, Butler), important twentieth-century contributions (Shoemaker, Williams, Parfit), and Eric Olson’s 2007 book What Are We?


Examines philosophical, moral, political, and policy questions regarding various environmental issues. Possible topics include the ethics of climate change policy, our obligations to future generations, benefit-cost analysis vs. the precautionary principle as a decision-making instrument, and the relationship between justice and sustainability. (Same as Environmental Studies 392.)


An in-depth examination of a topic of current philosophical interest. Students read recent books or journal articles and invite the authors of those works to discuss them with the group. Typically, this involves visits by two or three guest philosophers per semester. Limited to philosophy majors; others with permission of the instructor. May be repeated for credit.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Philosophy. The Department.
Physics and Astronomy

Professors: Stephen G. Naculich†, Dale A. Syphers
Associate Professors: Mark Battle, Thomas Baumgarte, Madeleine Msall, Chair
Visiting Instructor: Yoshihiro Sato
Lecturer: Karen Topp
Laboratory Instructors: Kenneth Dennison, Gary L. Miers
Department Coordinator: Dominica Lord-Wood

The major program depends to some extent on the student’s goals, which should be discussed with the department. Those who intend to do graduate work in physics or an allied field should plan to do an honors project. For those considering a program in engineering, consult pages 45–46. A major with an interest in an interdisciplinary area such as geophysics, biophysics, or oceanography will choose appropriate courses in related departments. Secondary school teaching requires a broad base in science courses, as well as the necessary courses for teacher certification. For a career in industrial management, some courses in economics and government should be included.

Requirements for the Major in Physics
A student majoring in physics is expected to complete Mathematics 161, 171, Physics 103, 104, 223, 229, one 300-level methods course (Physics 300, 301, or 302), and three additional approved courses above 104 (one of which may be Mathematics 181 or above). At least five physics courses must be taken at Bowdoin.

For honors work, a student is expected to complete Mathematics 181, and Physics 103, 104, 223, 229, 300, 310, 451, and four additional courses, two of which must be at the 300 level, and one of which may be in mathematics above Mathematics 181.

Requirements for the Minor in Physics
The minor consists of at least four Bowdoin physics courses numbered 103 or higher, at least one of which is Physics 104.

Interdisciplinary Majors
The department participates in interdisciplinary programs in chemical physics, and geology and physics. See pages 204 and 207.

Prerequisites
Students must earn a grade of C- or above in any prerequisite physics course.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses
[50a - MCSR, Physics of Musical Sound.]


A mix of qualitative and quantitative discussion of topics including the night sky, the solar system and its origin, the nature of stars and galaxies, stellar evolution, and the formation and evolution of the universe. Several nighttime observing sessions are required. Students who have credit for or are concurrently taking any physics course numbered 100 or above do not receive credit for this course.
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81a - INS. Physics of the Environment. Spring 2009. Mark Battle. An introduction to the physics of environmental issues, including past climates, anthropogenic climate change, ozone destruction, and energy production and efficiency. (Same as Environmental Studies 81.)

93a. Introduction to Physical Reasoning. Fall 2008. Madeleine Msall. Climate science. Quantum Physics. Bioengineering. Rocket science. Who can understand it? Anyone with high school mathematics (geometry and algebra) can start. Getting started in physics requires an ability to mathematically describe real world objects and experiences. Prepares students for additional course work in physical science and engineering by focused practice in quantitative description, interpretation, and calculation. Includes hands-on measurements, some introductory computer programming, and many questions about the physics all around us. To ensure proper placement, students are expected to have taken the physics placement examination prior to registering for Physics 93.

103a - MCSR, INS. Introductory Physics I. Every semester. Fall 2008. Thomas Baumgarte and Dale Syphers. Spring 2009. Karen Topp. An introduction to the conservation laws, forces, and interactions that govern the dynamics of particles and systems. Shows how a small set of fundamental principles and interactions allow us to model a wide variety of physical situations, using both classical and modern concepts. A prime goal of the course is to have the participants learn to actively connect the concepts with the modeling process. Three hours of laboratory work per week. To ensure proper placement, students are expected to have taken the physics placement examination prior to registering for Physics 103.

Prerequisite: Previous credit or concurrent registration in Mathematics 161 or 171 or higher, or permission of the instructor.

104a - MCSR, INS. Introductory Physics II. Every semester. Fall 2008. Mark Battle. Spring 2009. Dale Syphers. An introduction to the interactions of matter and radiation. Topics include the classical and quantum physics of electromagnetic radiation and its interaction with matter, quantum properties of atoms, and atomic and nuclear spectra. Three hours of laboratory work per week will include an introduction to the use of electronic instrumentation.

Prerequisite: Physics 103 and previous credit or concurrent registration in Mathematics 171 or 181, or permission of the instructor.

162a - INS. Stars and Galaxies. Spring 2009. The Department. A quantitative introduction to astronomy, with emphasis on stars, stellar dynamics, and the structures they form, from binary stars to galaxies. Topics include the night sky, stellar structure and evolution, white dwarfs, neutron stars, black holes, quasars, and the expansion of the universe. Several nighttime observing sessions are required. Intended for both science majors and non-majors who are secure in their mathematical skills. A working familiarity with algebra, trigonometry, geometry, and calculus is expected. Does not satisfy pre-med or other science departments’ requirements for a second course in physics.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 161 or higher, or permission of the instructor.

223a - INS. Electric Fields and Circuits. Every fall. Fall 2008. Karen Topp. The basic phenomena of the electromagnetic interaction are introduced. The basic relations are then specialized for a more detailed study of linear circuit theory. Laboratory work stresses the fundamentals of electronic instrumentation and measurement with basic circuit
components such as resistors, capacitors, inductors, diodes, and transistors. Three hours of laboratory work per week.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.


An introduction to two cornerstones of twentieth-century physics, quantum mechanics, and special relativity. The introduction to wave mechanics includes solutions to the time-independent Schrödinger equation in one and three dimensions with applications. Topics in relativity include the Galilean and Einsteinian principles of relativity, the “paradoxes” of special relativity, Lorentz transformations, space-time invariants, and the relativistic dynamics of particles. Students who have credit for or are concurrently taking Physics 275, 310, or 375 do not receive credit for this course.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.


Develops a framework capable of predicting the properties of systems with many particles. This framework, combined with simple atomic and molecular models, leads to an understanding of such concepts as entropy, temperature, and chemical potential. Some probability theory is developed as a mathematical tool.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.


Examines the physics of materials from an engineering viewpoint, with attention to the concepts of stress, strain, shear, torsion, bending moments, deformation of materials, and other applications of physics to real materials, with an emphasis on their structural properties. Also covers recent advances, such as applying these physics concepts to ultra-small materials in nano-machines. Intended for physics majors and architecture students with an interest in civil or mechanical engineering or applied materials science.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.


A brief introduction to the physics of semiconductors and semiconductor devices, culminating in an understanding of the structure of integrated circuits. Topics include a description of currently available integrated circuits for analog and digital applications and their use in modern electronic instrumentation. Weekly laboratory exercises with integrated circuits.

Prerequisite: Physics 103 or 104, or permission of the instructor.


An introduction to the motion and propagation of sound waves. Covers selected topics related to normal modes of sound waves in enclosed spaces, noise, acoustical measurements, the ear and hearing, phase relationships between sound waves, and many others, providing a technical understanding of our aural experiences.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.


Solid state physics describes the microscopic origin of the thermal, mechanical, electrical and magnetic properties of solids. Examines trends in the behavior of materials and evaluates the success of classical and semi-classical solid state models in explaining these trends and in predicting material properties. Applications include solid state lasers, semiconductor devices and superconductivity. Intended for physics, geology, or chemistry majors with an interest in materials physics or electrical engineering.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.
257a. **Atmosphere and Ocean Dynamics.** Fall 2008. **Mark Battle.**

A mathematically rigorous analysis of the motions of the atmosphere and oceans on a variety of spatial and temporal scales. Covers fluid dynamics in inertial and rotating reference frames, as well as global and local energy balance, applied to the coupled ocean-atmosphere system. (Same as Environmental Studies 253 and Geology 257.)

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.

262a. **Astrophysics.** Every other fall. Fall 2008. **Dale Syphers.**

A quantitative discussion that introduces the principal topics of astrophysics, including stellar structure and evolution, planetary physics, and cosmology.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.

280a. **Nuclear and Particle Physics.** Every other spring. Spring 2009. **Mark Battle.**

An introduction to the physics of subatomic systems, with a particular emphasis on the standard model of elementary particles and their interactions. Basic concepts in quantum mechanics and special relativity are introduced as needed.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.

291a–294a. **Intermediate Independent Study in Physics.** The Department.

Topics to be arranged by the student and the faculty. If the investigations concern the teaching of physics, this course may satisfy certain of the requirements for the Maine State Teacher’s Certificate. Students doing independent study normally have completed a 200-level physics course.

300a. **Methods of Theoretical Physics.** Every fall. Fall 2008. **Thomas Baumgarte.**

Mathematics is the language of physics. Similar mathematical techniques occur in different areas of physics. A physical situation may first be expressed in mathematical terms, usually in the form of a differential or integral equation. After the formal mathematical solution is obtained, the physical conditions determine the physically viable result. Examples are drawn from heat flow, gravitational fields, and electrostatic fields.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 and Mathematics 181, or permission of the instructor.

301a. **Methods of Experimental Physics.** Every spring. Spring 2009. **Madeleine Msall.**

Intended to provide advanced students with experience in the design, execution, and analysis of laboratory experiments. Projects in optical holography, nuclear physics, cryogenics, and materials physics are developed by the students.

Prerequisite: Physics 223 or permission of the instructor.

302a. **Methods of Computational Physics.** Every other fall. Fall 2009. **Thomas Baumgarte.**

An introduction to the use of computers to solve problems in physics. Problems are drawn from several different branches of physics, including mechanics, hydrodynamics, electromagnetism, and astrophysics. Numerical methods discussed include the solving of linear algebra and eigenvalue problems, ordinary and partial differential equations, and Monte Carlo techniques. Basic knowledge of a programming language is expected.

Prerequisite: Physics 104 or permission of the instructor.

310a. **Introductory Quantum Mechanics.** Every fall. Fall 2008. **Yoshihiro Sato.**

A mathematically rigorous development of quantum mechanics, emphasizing the vector space structure of the theory through the use of Dirac bracket notation. Linear algebra will be developed as needed.

Prerequisite: Physics 300 or permission of the instructor.

*Note:* Beginning in Fall 2009, the title of this course will be *Quantum Mechanics*, and its prerequisite will be Physics 224 and 300.
320a. **Electromagnetic Theory.** Every other spring. Spring 2010. **The Department.**

First the Maxwell relations are presented as a natural extension of basic experimental laws; then emphasis is given to the radiation and transmission of electromagnetic waves.

Prerequisite: Physics 223 and 300, or permission of the instructor.

357a. **The Physics of Climate.** Every other spring. Spring 2009. **Mark Battle.**

A rigorous treatment of the earth’s climate, based on physical principles. Topics include climate feedbacks, sensitivity to perturbations, and the connections between climate and radiative transfer, atmospheric composition, and large-scale circulation of the oceans and atmospheres. Anthropogenic climate change will also be studied. (Same as Environmental Studies 357 and Geology 357.)

Prerequisite: Physics 229, 255, 256, or 300, or permission of the instructor.

370a. **Advanced Mechanics.** Every other spring. Spring 2009. **The Department.**

A thorough review of particle dynamics, followed by the development of Lagrange’s and Hamilton’s equations and their applications to rigid body motion and the oscillations of coupled systems.

Prerequisite: Physics 300 or permission of the instructor.

401a–404a. **Advanced Independent Study in Physics.** **The Department.**

Topics to be arranged by the student and the faculty. Students doing advanced independent study normally have completed a 300-level physics course.

451a–452a. **Honors in Physics.** **The Department.**

Programs of study are available in semiconductor physics, microfabrication, superconductivity and superfluidity, astrophysics, relativity, ultrasound, and atmospheric physics. Work done in these topics normally serves as the basis for an honors paper.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

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**Psychology**

*Professors:* Barbara S. Held†, Louisa M. Slowiaczek  
*Associate Professors:* Suzanne Lovett†, Samuel P. Putnam, *Chair;* Paul Schaffner  
*Joint Appointments with Neuroscience:* Associate Professor Richmond R. Thompson, Assistant Professor Seth J. Ramus  
*Visiting Assistant Professors:* Rachel W. Kallen, Julie Quimby  
*Senior Department Coordinator:* Donna M. Trout

Students in the Department of Psychology may elect a major within the psychology program, or they may elect an interdisciplinary major in neuroscience, sponsored jointly by the Departments of Psychology and Biology (see Neuroscience, pages 228–29). The program in psychology examines contemporary perspectives on principles of human behavior, in areas ranging from cognition, language, development, and behavioral neuroscience to interpersonal relations and psychopathology. Its approach emphasizes scientific methods of inquiry and analysis.
Requirements for the Major in Psychology

The psychology major comprises ten courses. These courses are selected by students with their advisors and are subject to departmental review. Each student must take three core courses: an introductory course, Psychology 10 or 101, which will serve as a prerequisite to further study in the major; and Psychology 251 and 252. These core courses should be completed before the junior year. Students must take three electives numbered 200 or above. Finally, students must take laboratory and advanced courses. Students have the option of taking either (a) two laboratory courses numbered 260–279 and two advanced (300-level) courses, or (b) three laboratory courses numbered 260–279 and one advanced (300-level) course. Note that either Psychology 10 or 101, but not both, may count toward the major requirement. In addition, either Psychology 275 or 276, but not both, may count toward the two- or three-course laboratory-requirement options. Similarly, either Psychology 320 or 321, but not both, may count toward the two-advanced-course-requirement option; and no more than one course from among Psychology 315, 316, 318, and 319 may count toward the two-advanced-course-requirement option. Independent study courses at any level count as electives, but do not count toward the laboratory requirement or the advanced-course requirement. Majors are encouraged to consider an independent study course on a library, laboratory, or field research project during the senior year.

Students who are considering a major in psychology are encouraged to enroll in Psychology 10 or 101 during their first year at Bowdoin and to enroll in Psychology 251 and 252 during their second year. Students must take Psychology 251 before 252, and both before they take their laboratory courses, except for those labs (274, 275, 276, and 277) that allow concurrent enrollment in 252 and 260, which does not require 252. If possible, students should begin their laboratory work no later than the fall of their junior year. Only juniors and seniors are allowed to enroll in the advanced courses. Those who plan to study away from campus for one or both semesters of their junior year should complete at least one laboratory course before leaving for their off-campus experience and plan their courses so that they can complete the major after returning to campus. Students should speak with the chair of the department regarding their off-campus study plans and transfer of credit toward the major. Laboratory or 300-level courses taken elsewhere are not ordinarily counted toward the major.

Requirements for the Minor in Psychology

The psychology minor comprises six courses, including Psychology 10 or 101, Psychology 251 and 252, and one laboratory course. Note that either Psychology 10 or 101, but not both, may count toward the minor requirement.

Grade Requirements

To fulfill a major (or minor) requirement in psychology, or to serve as a prerequisite for another psychology course, a grade of C- or better must be earned in a course. There is one exception: Psychology 10 or 101 may be taken on a Credit/D/Fail basis, and it will count toward the major (or minor) and serve as a prerequisite for other psychology courses if Credit (CR) is earned in the course.

AP/IB Policy

Students who receive an AP score of 4 or higher on the psychology exam receive one AP credit and are considered to have met the prerequisite for courses requiring Psychology 10 or 101. This credit also counts toward the major or minor. Students who receive an IB score (higher level) of 5 or higher on the psychology exam receive one IB credit and are
considered to have met the prerequisite for courses requiring Psychology 10 or 101. This credit also counts toward the major or minor. No AP or IB credit for psychology is awarded if a student takes Psychology 10 or 101. Students do not receive duplicate credit for AP and IB exams in psychology.

Requirements for the Major in Neuroscience
See Neuroscience, pages 228–29.

COURSES IN PSYCHOLOGY

First-Year Seminars
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

10b. What’s on Your Mind? An Introduction to the Brain and Behavior. Every fall. SETH J. RAMUS.

Introductory Courses

101b. Introduction to Psychology. Every semester. THE DEPARTMENT.
A general introduction to the major concerns of contemporary psychology, including physiological psychology, perception, learning, cognition, language, development, personality, intelligence, and abnormal and social behavior. Recommended for first- and second-year students. Juniors and seniors should enroll in the spring semester.

Intermediate Courses

210b. Infant and Child Development. Every fall. SAMUEL P. PUTNAM. Spring 2010. SUZANNE LOVETT.
A survey of major changes in psychological functioning from conception through childhood. Several theoretical perspectives are used to consider how physical, personality, social, and cognitive changes jointly influence the developing child’s interactions with the environment.
Prerequisite: Psychology 10 or 101.

211b. Personality. Every fall. JULIE QUIMBY.
A comparative survey of theoretical and empirical attempts to explain personality and its development. The relationships of psychoanalytic, interpersonal, humanistic, and behavioral approaches to current research are considered.
Prerequisite: Psychology 10 or 101.

212b. Social Psychology. Every spring. PAUL SCHAFFNER.
A survey of theory and research on individual social behavior. Topics include self-concept, social cognition, affect, attitudes, social influence, interpersonal relationships, and cultural variations in social behavior.
Prerequisite: Psychology 10 or 101, or Sociology 101.

[213b. Atypical Child Development.]
[215b. Adolescent Development.]
216b. **Cognitive Psychology**. Every fall. **LOUISA M. SLOWIACZEK**.

A survey of theory and research examining how humans perceive, process, store, and use information. Topics include visual perception, attention, memory, language processing, decision making, and cognitive development.

Prerequisite: **Psychology 10 or 101**.

217a. **Neuropsychology**. Every other spring. Spring 2009. **SETH J. RAMUS**.

An introduction to the brain basis of behavior, concentrating on the contributions from studies of brain damaged and brain dysfunctional patients. Focuses on the contributions of neuropsychology and experimental and clinical neuropsychology to the understanding of normal cognitive processes. Topics include neuroanatomy, amnesia, aphasia, agnosia, and attentional disorders, in particular those implicated in various spatial neglect syndromes.

Prerequisite: **Psychology 10 or 101**.

218a. **Physiological Psychology**. Every spring. **RICHMOND R. THOMPSON**.

An introductory survey of biological influences on behavior. The primary emphasis is on the physiologic regulation of behavior in humans and other vertebrate animals, focusing on genetic, developmental, hormonal, and neuronal mechanisms. Additionally, the evolution of these regulatory systems is considered. Topics discussed include perception, cognition, sleep, eating, sexual and aggressive behaviors, and mental disorders.

Prerequisite: **Psychology 10 or 101**, or one of the following: **Biology 102, 104, 105**, or **109**.

219b. **Cultural Psychology**. Spring 2009. **RACHEL W. KALLEN**.

An examination of current theories and research on the psychology of culture. Examines the way in which sociocultural context influences and is influenced by psychological processes such as self, agency, motivation, emotion, cognition, and relationships. Includes important discussion of methodological and theoretical issues, as well as current empirical evidence for cultural variation in psychological processes. Special topics such as culture and development, psychopathology, race and ethnicity, acculturation, cognition, and gender are discussed.

Prerequisite: **Psychology 10 or 101**.

251b. **Research Design in Psychology**. Every fall. **PAUL SCHAFFNER**. Every spring. **LOUISA M. SLOWIACZEK**.

A systematic study of the scientific method as it underlies psychological research. Topics include prominent methods used in studying human and animal behavior, the logic of causal analysis, experimental and non-experimental designs, issues in internal and external validity, pragmatics of careful research, and technical writing of research reports.

Prerequisite: **Psychology 10 or 101**.

252a - MCSR. **Data Analysis**. Every fall. **RACHEL W. KALLEN**. Every spring. **SETH J. RAMUS**.

An introduction to the use of descriptive and inferential statistics and design in behavioral research. Weekly laboratory work in computerized data analysis. Required of majors no later than the junior year, and preferably by the sophomore year.

Prerequisite: **Psychology 10 or 101**, and one of the following: **Psychology 251, Biology 102, 104, 105**, or **109**.
Courses that Satisfy the Laboratory Requirement (except 259)


A general survey of the nature, etiology, diagnosis, and treatment of common patterns of mental disorders. The course may be taken for one of two purposes:

259b. Non-laboratory course credit. Participation in the practicum is optional, contingent upon openings in the program.

Prerequisite: Psychology 211.

260b. Laboratory course credit. Students participate in a supervised practicum at a local psychiatric unit.

Prerequisite: Psychology 211 and 251.

270b. Laboratory in Cognition. Every fall. Louisa M. Slowiaczek.

An analysis of research methodology and experimental investigations in cognition, including such topics as auditory and sensory memory, visual perception, attention and automaticity, retrieval from working memory, implicit and explicit memory, metamemory, concept formation and reasoning. Weekly laboratory sessions allow students to collect and analyze data in a number of different areas of cognitive psychology.

Prerequisite: Psychology 216, 251, and 252.

274b. Laboratory in Group Dynamics. Every fall. Paul Schaffner.

Principles and methods of psychological research, as developed in Psychology 251 and 252, are applied to the study of small group interaction. Students design, conduct, and report on social behavior research involving an array of methods to shape and assess interpersonal behavior.

Prerequisite: Psychology 211, 212, or 219; Psychology 251; and previous credit or concurrent registration in Psychology 252.


A laboratory course that exposes students to modern techniques in neuroscience that can be applied to the study of social behavior. Underlying concepts associated with various molecular, neuroanatomical, pharmacological, and electrophysiological methods are discussed in a lecture format. Students then use these techniques in laboratory preparations that demonstrate how social behavior is organized within the central nervous system of vertebrate animals, including humans.

Prerequisite: Psychology 218 or Biology 213; one of the following: Psychology 251, Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109; and previous credit or concurrent registration in Psychology 252.

276a - INS. Laboratory in Behavioral Neuroscience: Learning and Memory. Every fall. Seth J. Ramus.

Explores current research and theories in the neurobiology of learning and memory by examining the modular organization of the brain with an emphasis on a brain systems-level approach to learning and memory, using both lectures and laboratory work. Memory is not a unitary phenomenon, rather, different parts of the brain are specialized for storing and expressing different kinds of memory. In addition to discussing contemporary research, students use modern neuroscientific methods in the laboratory to demonstrate how different memory systems can be dissociated. Techniques include behavioral, neurosurgical, and histological analysis in vertebrate species.

Prerequisite: Psychology 218 or Biology 213; one of the following: Psychology 251, Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109; and previous credit or concurrent registration in Psychology 252.
277b. Research in Developmental Psychology. Every spring. SAMUEL P. PUTNAM.

The multiple methods used in developmental research are examined both by reading research reports and by designing and conducting original research studies. The methods include observation, interviews, questionnaires, lab experiments, among others. Students learn to evaluate the relative strengths and weaknesses of both qualitative and quantitative approaches.

Prerequisite: Psychology 210, 213, or 215; Psychology 251; and previous credit or concurrent registration in Psychology 252.

Advanced Courses

307b. Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy. Fall 2008. JULIE QUIMBY.

Theories of counseling and psychotherapy, with an emphasis on the major models within the field, will be critically evaluated, contrasted, and applied to a range of psychological problems and diverse populations. Explorations of the historical background and developmental precipitants of each theory as well as the multicultural strengths and weaknesses of each counseling approach.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Psychology 213, 259, or 260; or Philosophy 210, 226, 227, 237, or 399; or permission of the instructor.

309b. Psychotherapy, Psychology, and Philosophy. Fall 2009. BARBARA S. HELD.

As conventional assumptions about the discipline of psychology are increasingly challenged, many psychologists are returning to psychology’s roots in philosophy for guidance. Examines the intersection of philosophy and psychology in general, and clinical psychology in particular. Topics include such ontological issues as the nature of personhood, the self, mental health/psychopathology, agency, free will vs. determinism, and change/transformation. Also examines such epistemological issues as the nature of psychological knowledge/truth, self-knowledge, rationality, justification for knowledge claims, and methods for obtaining justified knowledge claims. Emphasizes current debates about what a proper science or study of (clinical) psychology and psychotherapy should be.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Psychology 213, 259, or 260; or Philosophy 210, 226, 227, 237, or 399; or permission of the instructor.

315a. Hormones and Behavior. Every other fall. Fall 2008. RICHMOND R. THOMPSON.

An advanced discussion of concepts in behavioral neuroendocrinology. Topics include descriptions of the major classes of hormones, their roles in the regulation of development and adult behavioral expression, and the cellular and molecular mechanisms responsible for their behavioral effects. Hormonal influences on reproductive, aggressive, and parental behaviors, as well as on cognitive processes are considered.

Prerequisite: Psychology 218 or Biology 213; one of the following: Psychology 251, Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109; and Psychology 252.

316a. Comparative Neuroanatomy. Every other fall. Fall 2009. RICHMOND R. THOMPSON.

An advanced discussion of concepts in vertebrate brain organization. The primary emphasis is upon structure/function relationships within the brain, particularly as they relate to behavior. Topics include basic neuroanatomy, brain development and evolution, and the neural circuitry associated with complex behavioral organization. Studies from a variety of animal models and from human neuropsychological assessments are used to demonstrate general principles of brain evolution and function.

Prerequisite: Psychology 218 or Biology 213; one of the following: Psychology 251, Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109; and Psychology 252.
317b. The Psychology of Language. Every spring. LOUISA M. SŁOWIAZCEK.
An examination of psychological factors that affect the processing of language, including a discussion of different modalities (auditory and visual language) and levels of information (sounds, letters, words, sentences, and text/discourse). Emphasis is on the issues addressed by researchers and the theories developed to account for our language abilities.
Prerequisite: Psychology 216, 251, and 252.

319a. Memory and Brain. Every other spring. Spring 2010. SETH J. RAMUS.
Advanced seminar exploring the biological basis of learning and memory from a cellular to a systems-level analysis, providing insights into the mechanisms and organization of neural plasticity. Includes topics in molecular neuroscience, neurophysiology, neuropharmacology, and systems neuroscience. Discussions include evaluation of current research and theories, as well as a historical perspective.
Prerequisite: Psychology 218 or Biology 213; one of the following: Psychology 251, Biology 102, 104, 105, or 109; and Psychology 252.

320b. Social Development. Every fall. SAMUEL P. PUTNAM.
Research and theory regarding the interacting influences of biology and the environment as they are related to social and emotional development during infancy, childhood, and adolescence. Normative and idiographic development in a number of domains, including morality, aggression, personality, sex roles, peer interaction, and familial relationships are considered.
Prerequisite: Psychology 210, 213, or 215, and Psychology 251 and 252.

Examines the development of cognitive understanding and cognitive processes from infancy through adolescence. Emphasis on empirical research and related theories of cognitive development. Topics include infant perception and cognition, concept formation, language development, theory of mind, memory, problem solving, and scientific thinking.
Prerequisite: Psychology 210, 213, or 215, and Psychology 251 and 252.

325b. Organizational Behavior. Every spring. PAUL SCHAFFNER.
Examines how people experience work in modern human organizations. Weekly seminar meetings address motivation, performance, commitment, and satisfaction; affect and cognition at work; coordination of activity; anticipation, planning, and decision making; organization-environment dynamics; and the enactment of change.
Prerequisite: Psychology 251 and 252.

A critical examination of classic and contemporary theories and research on stigma. Emphasis will be on the psychological experiences of members of stigmatized groups; why individuals stigmatize others; sensitivity to discrimination; collective identity; methods of coping; and implications for the self, social interaction, and intergroup relations. Topics include race, ethnicity, gender, mental illness, sexuality, HIV/AIDS, and health/physical disabilities. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 326 and Gender and Women’s Studies 325.)
Prerequisite: Psychology 212, 251, and 252.

Independent Study and Honors
401b–404b. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Psychology.
The Department of Religion offers students opportunities to study the major religions of the world, East and West, ancient and modern, from a variety of academic viewpoints and without sectarian bias.

Each major is assigned a departmental advisor who assists the student in formulating a plan of study in religion and related courses in other departments. The advisor also provides counsel in career planning and graduate study.

**Requirements for the Major in Religion**

The major consists of at least eight courses in religion. Required courses include *Religion 101* (Introduction to the Study of Religion); *Religion 390* (Theories about Religion); and three courses at the 200 level, including one each from the following three designated areas: (1) *Religion 215* (The Hebrew Bible in Its World), or *Religion 216* (The New Testament in Its World); (2) *Religion 249* (Monotheism and Masculinity), *Religion 250* (Western Religious Thought in Modern and Postmodern Contexts), *Religion 251* (Christianity, Culture and Conflict), or *Religion 252* (Marxism and Religion); (3) *Religion 220* (Hindu Literatures), *Religion 221* (Hindu Cultures), *Religion 222* (Theravada Buddhism), or *Religion 223* (Mahayana Buddhism). In addition, candidates for honors complete a ninth course, advanced independent study, as part of their honors projects. (See below, “Honors in Religion.”)

No more than one first-year seminar may be counted toward the major. In order to enroll in *Religion 390*, a major normally will be expected to have taken four of the eight required courses. This seminar is also open to qualified non-majors with permission of the instructor. Normally, no more than three courses taken at other colleges or universities will count toward the major.

**Honors in Religion**

Students contemplating honors candidacy should possess a record of distinction in departmental courses, including those that support the project, a clearly articulated and well-focused research proposal, and a high measure of motivation and scholarly maturity. Normally, proposals for honors projects shall be submitted for departmental approval along with registration for advanced independent study, and in any case no later than the end of the second week of the semester in which the project is undertaken. It is recommended, however, that honors candidates incorporate work from *Religion 390* as part of their honors projects, or complete two semesters of independent study in preparing research papers for honors consideration. In this latter case, proposals are due no later than the second week of the fall semester of the senior year.

**Requirements for the Minor in Religion**

A minor consists of five courses—*Religion 101*, three courses at the 200 level or higher (among these three electives, at least one course shall be in Western religions and cultures and one in Asian religions and cultures) and *Religion 390*.
First-Year Seminars

These introductory courses focus on the study of a specific aspect of religion, and may draw on other fields of learning. They are not intended as prerequisites for more advanced courses in the department unless specifically designated as such. They include readings, discussion, reports, and writing. Topics change from time to time to reflect emerging or debated issues in the study of religion. For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

[14c. Heresy and Orthodoxy.]


   (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 16 and Gender and Women’s Studies 17.)


Introductory Courses

   Basic concepts, methods, and issues in the study of religion, with special reference to examples comparing and contrasting Eastern and Western religions. Lectures, films, discussions, and readings in a variety of texts such as scriptures, novels, and autobiographies, along with modern interpretations of religion in ancient and contemporary, Asian and Western contexts.

[125c - ESD, IP. Entering Modernity: European Jewry. (Same as History 125.)]

   Does God exist? Can the existence of God be proven? Can it be disproven? Is it rational to believe in God? What does it mean to say that God exists (or does not exist)? What distinguishes religious beliefs from non-religious beliefs? What is the relation between religion and science? Approaches these and related questions through a variety of historical and contemporary sources, including philosophers, scientists, and theologians. (Same as Philosophy 142.)

Intermediate Courses

   Seminar. Examines the history of interpretation of the first chapters of Genesis from the earliest Jewish commentators to the controversies surrounding nineteenth-century evolutionary theory, concluding with an analysis of contemporary literal evangelical exegesis associated with groups like The Discovery Institute and Answers in Genesis (who operate The Creation Museum). Specific topics include, the relation between faith and reason, the medieval exegetical tradition and “Sacred Theory.” (Same as History 200.)

[204c. Science, Magic, and Religion. (Same as History 204.)]

   Uses literary, anthropological, and historical religious examples in order to investigate religious views of “evil” to ask: “Evil” to whom, for/against whom, under what circumstances? Is “evil” a given, and does it have an unquestioned, autonomous existence? Deals with evil as religious/cultural constructs. Among the issues are witchcraft, demons, political-religious-
demagogic leaders and their followers, and religious ideologies of murderous-suicidal groups. Sources range from the early medieval Beowulf to present-day extreme forms of Christianity and Islam, covering various time-periods and geographical locales. Not theological or conceptual-abstract; focuses on pragmatics.

207c.d - ESD. Introduction to Judaism. Spring 2009. ROBERT G. MORRISON.
   Surveys Jewish texts, traditions, and beliefs from the end of the Hellenistic period to the origins of the Reform, Reconstructionist, Conservative, and Modern Orthodox movements in Europe and America. With an emphasis throughout on the role of historical drama in Jewish practice, pays special attention to the formation of Rabbinic Judaism, medieval Jewish literature and thought, and to how Jews’ historical memory affected their responses to the Enlightenment.

209c.d - ESD. Gender in Islam. Fall 2008. JORUNN BUCKLEY.
   Explores categories for interpreting female symbolism in Islamic thought and practice, and women’s religious, legal, and political status in Islam. Attention is given to statements about women in the Qur’an, as well as other traditional and current Islamic texts. Emphasis on analysis of gender in public versus private spheres, individual vs. society, Islamization vs. modernization/Westernization, and the placement/displacement of women in the traditionally male-dominated Islamic power structures. Students may find it helpful to have taken Religion 208, but it is not a prerequisite. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 209.)

215c - ESD. The Hebrew Bible in Its World. Fall 2008. JORUNN BUCKLEY.
   Close readings of chosen texts in the Hebrew Bible (i.e., the Old Testament), with emphasis on its Near Eastern religious, cultural, and historical context. Attention is given to the Hebrew Bible’s literary forerunners (from c. 4000 B.C.E. onwards) to its “successor” The Dead Sea Scrolls (c. 200 B.C.E. to 200 A.C.E.). Emphasis on creation and cosmologies, gods, and humans, hierarchies, politics, and rituals.

   Situates the Christian New Testament in its Hellenistic cultural context. While the New Testament forms the core of the course, attention is paid to parallels and differences in relation to other Hellenistic religious texts; Jewish, (other) Christian, and pagan. Religious leadership, rituals, secrecy, philosophy of history, and salvation are some of the main themes.

220c.d - IP. Hindu Literatures. Fall 2008. JOHN HOLT.
   A reading of various genres of translated Hindu religious literature, including Rig Veda hymns, philosophical Upanishads, Yoga Sutras, the epics Ramayana and Mahabharata, including the Bhagavad Gita, selected myths from the Puranas, and poetry and songs of medieval devotional saints. Focuses on development of various types of religious world views and religious experiences within Hindu traditions, as reflected in classical Sanskrit and vernacular literature of India. (Same as Asian Studies 240.)

221c.d - IP. Hindu Cultures. Spring 2009. JOHN HOLT.
   A consideration of various types of individual and communal religious practice and religious expression in Hindu tradition, including ancient ritual sacrifice, mysticism and yoga (meditation), dharma and karma (ethical and political significance), pilgrimage (as inward spiritual journey and outward ritual behavior), puja (worship of deities through seeing, hearing, chanting), rites of passage (birth, adolescence, marriage, and death), etc. Focuses on the nature of symbolic expression and behavior as these can be understood from indigenous theories of religious practice. Religion 220 is recommended as a previous course. (Same as Asian Studies 241.)
222c.d - ESD, IP. **Theravada Buddhism.** Fall 2009. **John Holt.**

An examination of the major trajectories of Buddhist religious thought and practice as understood from a reading of primary and secondary texts drawn from the Theravada traditions of India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Burma. (Same as Asian Studies 242.)

222c.d - IP. **Mahayana Buddhism.** Spring 2010. **John Holt.**

Studies the emergence of Mahayana Buddhist worldviews as reflected in primary sources of Indian, Chinese, and Japanese origins. Buddhist texts include the *Buddhacarita* (“Life of Buddha”), the *Sukhavati Vyuha* (“Discourse on the ‘Pure Land’”), the *Vajracchedika Sutra* (the “Diamond-Cutter”), the *Prajnaparamitra-hrdaya Sutra* (“Heart Sutra of the Perfection of Wisdom”), the *Saddharmapundarika Sutra* (the “Lotus Sutra”), and the *Platform Sutra of the Sixth Patriarch*, among others. (Same as Asian Studies 223.)

225c.d - ESD, IP. **Religion and Political Violence in South Asia.** (Same as Anthropology 223 and Asian Studies 226.)

232c.d - IP. **Approaches to the Qur’an.** Fall 2008. **Robert G. Morrison.**

Explores a variety of approaches to and interpretations of the Qur’an, the foundational text of Islam. Special attention will be paid to the Qur’an’s doctrines, to the Qur’an’s role in Islamic law, to the Qur’an’s relationship to the Bible, and to the Qur’an’s historical context. While the Qur’an will be read entirely in English translation, the role of the Arabic Qur’an in the lives of Muslims worldwide will also be explored.

246b. **Religion and Politics.** Fall 2008. **Paul N. Franco.**

Examines the relationship between religion and politics—the so-called theological-political question—primarily in modern Europe and America. Focuses first on the tension between and eventual separation of church and state in the early modern period; then considers the implications and complications of this historic separation, looking at recent Supreme Court cases, as well as contemporary discussion of the relationship between religion and politics. Comparisons with the treatment of this issue in the Islamic world are made throughout the course. Authors include Machiavelli, Luther, Calvin, Spinoza, Locke, Jefferson, Madison, Tocqueville, as well as a variety of contemporary and Islamic writers. (Same as Government 246.)

Prerequisite: One of the following: Government 12, 24, 26, 28 (formerly Government 108), 117, 240, 241, 242, 244, 245, 248, 249, 250, 341, 346, or 347; or permission of the instructor.

249c - ESD. **Monotheism and Masculinity.** Spring 2009. **Elizabeth Pritchard.**

Focuses on the emergence of and continuing elaborations of transcendent monotheism in the Abrahamic traditions. Of particular interest in this examination is the relationship between portrayals of the divine and assumptions about gender, class, and race. Other topics include whether it is possible or permissible to obtain knowledge of the divine (and perhaps be able to see or depict the divine); the relationship between transcendent monotheism, cultural identity, and violence; and the ways in which monotheism informs various renderings of morality and politics. Readings include selections from the Bible, Augustine, Maimonides, Aquinas, Ibn-Arabi, and Luther. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 238.)

250c. **Western Religious Thought in the Modern and Postmodern Contexts.**

251c. **Christianity, Culture, and Conflict.** Spring 2009. **Elizabeth Pritchard.**

An introduction to the diversity and contentiousness of Christian thought and practice. This diversity is explored through analyses of the conceptions, rituals, and aesthetic media that serve to interpret and embody understandings of Jesus, authority, body, family, and
church. Historical and contemporary materials highlight not only conflicting interpretations of Christianity, but the larger social conflicts that these interpretations reflect, reinforce, or seek to resolve.

[252c. Marxism and Religion.]

[253c - ESD. Women in Religion. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 256.)]


Focuses include (1) an examination of the manner in which the power of the feminine has been expressed mythologically and theologically in Hinduism; (2) how various categories of goddesses can be seen or not as the forms of the “great goddess”; and (3) how Hindu women have been deified, a process that implicates the relationship between the goddess and women. Students read a range of works, primary sources such as Devi Mahatmya, biographies and myths of deified women, and recent scholarship on goddesses and deified women. One-half credit. (Same as Asian Studies 289.)

291c–294c. Intermediate Independent Study in Religion. THE DEPARTMENT.

Advanced Courses

The following courses study in depth a topic of limited scope but major importance, such as one or two individuals, a movement, type, concept, problem, historical period, or theme. Topics change from time to time. Religion 390 is required for majors, and normally presupposes that four of eight required courses have been taken.

[310c - ESD. Gnosticism.]


Pilgrimage will be examined theoretically in two ways: first, through a comparative study of pilgrimage as a ritualized religious process of sacred space and sacred journey observed in Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, and Hinduism within the historical and cultural contexts of the Middle East, India, Southeast Asia, China and Japan; second, as a narrative literary structure in contemporary fiction and non-fiction in modern South and East Asia. Culminates with each student selecting a pilgrimage site or literary work as the focus of an analytical paper. (Same as Asian Studies 318.)

[319c.d. Religion and Fiction in Modern South Asia. (Same as Asian Studies 319.)]

[321c. Medieval Drama. (Same as English 321.)]

[360c.d. Religion and Politics in African History. (Same as Africana Studies 360 and History 360.)]

390c. Theories about Religion. Fall 2008. ELIZABETH PRITCHARD.

Seminar focused on how religion has been explained and interpreted from a variety of intellectual and academic perspectives from the sixteenth century to the present. In addition to a historical overview of religion’s interpretation and explanation, the focus also includes consideration of postmodern critiques and the problem of religion and violence in the contemporary world.

Prerequisite: Religion 101.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Religion. THE DEPARTMENT.
Courses of Instruction

Romance Languages

Professors: John H. Turner**, William C. VanderWolk†
Associate Professors: Elena Cueto-Asín, Charlotte Daniels, Chair; Katherine Dauge-Roth, Arielle Saiber†, Enrique Yepes
Assistant Professors: Nadia V. Celis, Gustavo Faverón-Patriaur†, Margaret Hanétha Vété-Congolo
Visiting Assistant Professor: Giovanni Spani
Lecturers: Davida Gavioli, Anna Rein
Visiting Lecturer: Eugenia Wheelwright
Visiting Instructors: Annelle Curulla, Esmeralda A. Ulloa, Carolyn Wolfenzon
Consortium for Faculty Diversity Postdoctoral Fellow and Lecturer: Karen U. Lindo
Adjunct Lecturer: Valérie Guillet
Teaching Fellows: Pierre-Yves Danzé, Sara Miguel Gómez, Jennifer F. Jaffeux
Department Coordinator: Kate Flaherty

The Department of Romance Languages offers courses in French, Italian, and Spanish language, literature, and culture. In addition to focusing on developing students’ fluency in the languages, the department provides students with a broad understanding of the cultures and literatures of the French-speaking, Italian-speaking, and Spanish-speaking worlds through a curriculum designed to prepare students for teaching, international work, or graduate study. Native speakers are involved in most language courses. Unless otherwise indicated, all courses are conducted in the respective language.

Study Abroad
A period of study in an appropriate country, usually in the junior year, is strongly encouraged for all students of language. Bowdoin College is affiliated with a wide range of excellent programs abroad, and interested students should seek the advice of a member of the department early in their sophomore year to select a program and to choose courses that complement the offerings at the College.

Independent Study
This is an option primarily intended for students who are working on honors projects. It is also available to students who have taken advantage of the regular course offerings and wish to work more closely on a particular topic. Independent study is not an alternative to regular course work. An application should be made to a member of the department prior to the semester in which the project is to be undertaken and must involve a specific proposal in an area in which the student can already demonstrate knowledge.

Honors in Romance Languages
Majors may elect to write an honors project in the department. This involves two semesters of independent study in the senior year and the writing of an honors essay and its defense before a committee of members of the department. Candidates for departmental honors must have an outstanding record in other courses in the department.

Requirements for Majors in the Department of Romance Languages
Students may declare a major in French or in Spanish or in Romance languages (with courses in French, Spanish, and Italian). All majors are expected to achieve breadth in their knowledge of the French-, Italian-, and/or Spanish-speaking worlds by taking courses on the
literatures and cultures of these areas from their origins to the present. Students should also take complementary courses in study-away programs or in other departments and programs such as art history, Latin American studies, history, English, and Africana studies. The major consists of nine courses more advanced than French 204 or Spanish 204. Spanish majors will complete Spanish 205. * Students must achieve a grade of C or higher in all prerequisite courses.

All majors in Spanish, French, and Romance languages will complete at least three 300-level courses. No more than two courses may be in independent study, and no fewer than five Bowdoin courses should be taken. Students who study abroad for one semester will receive a maximum of three credits toward the major. Those who study abroad for the academic year will receive a maximum of four credits toward the major.

**Spanish Major Requirements**

Nine courses above Spanish 204*, including:
1. Spanish 205, 209 and 210
2. three courses at the 300 level—at least two 300-level courses must be taken at Bowdoin.
3. Students are strongly encouraged to include courses dealing with all periods and several Spanish-speaking contexts.

**French Major Requirements**

Nine courses above French 204*, including:
1. two of the following four courses (one from 207, 208; one from 209, 210, or the equivalent in study abroad):
   - French 207
   - French 208
   - French 209
   - French 210
2. three courses at the 300 level, including French 351 (senior seminar)—at least two 300-level courses must be taken at Bowdoin.
3. Students are strongly encouraged to include courses dealing with all periods and several Francophone contexts.

* or eight courses above 204 for students beginning in 101, 102, or 203.

**Romance Languages Major Requirements**

Nine courses above 204, including:
1. French 207 or 208 (or the equivalent in study abroad)
2. Italian 208 (or the equivalent in study abroad), if combining Spanish or French with Italian
3. Spanish 209 or 210 (or the equivalent in study abroad)
4. French 209 or 210 (or the equivalent in study abroad)
5. three courses at the 300 level, including one senior seminar

**Requirements for Minors in Romance Languages**

Students may declare a minor in French, Italian, or Spanish. The minor consists of at least three courses at Bowdoin in one language above 204, including one 300-level course. The Italian minor may include one course from abroad.

**Placement**

Students who plan to take French or Spanish must take the appropriate placement test at the beginning of the fall semester.

A study of the basic forms, structures, and vocabulary. Emphasis on listening comprehension and spoken French. Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with assistant, plus regular language laboratory assignments. Primarily open to first- and second-year students who have had two years or less of high school French. A limited number of spaces are available for juniors and seniors.


A continuation of French 101. A study of the basic forms, structures, and vocabulary. Emphasis on listening comprehension and spoken French. During the second semester, more stress is placed on reading and writing. Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with assistant, plus regular language laboratory assignments.

Prerequisite: French 101 or the equivalent.


A review of basic grammar, which is integrated into more complex patterns of written and spoken French. Short compositions and class discussions require active use of students’ acquired knowledge of French. Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with teaching fellow.

Prerequisite: French 102 or placement.


Continued development of oral and written skills; course focus shifts from grammar to reading. Short readings from French literature, magazines, and newspapers form the basis for the expansion of vocabulary and analytical skills. Active use of French in class discussions and conversation sessions with French assistants. Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with teaching fellow.

Prerequisite: French 203 or placement.


Conversation and composition based on a variety of contemporary films and texts about France and Francophone countries. Grammar review and frequent short papers. Emphasis on student participation including short presentations and debates. Three hours per week plus one weekly viewing session for films and weekly conversation session with teaching fellow.

Prerequisite: French 204 or placement.


An introduction to the cultures of various French-speaking regions outside of France. Examines the history, politics, customs, cinema, literature, and the arts of the Francophone world, principally Africa and the Caribbean. Readings include newspaper and magazine articles, short stories, and a novel. Students see and discuss television news, documentaries, and feature films. Conducted in French. (Same as Africana Studies 207 and Latin American Studies 206.)

Prerequisite: French 205 or permission of the instructor.
208c - ESD. IP. Contemporary France through the Media. Every spring. Spring 2009. CHARLOTTE DANIELS AND KATHERINE DAUGE-ROTH.

An introduction to contemporary France through newspapers, magazines, television, music, and film. Emphasis is on enhancing communicative proficiency in French and increasing cultural understanding prior to study abroad in France or another Francophone country. Conducted in French.

Prerequisite: French 205 or permission of the instructor.

209c. Introduction to the Study and Criticism of Medieval and Early Modern French Literature. Every fall. Fall 2008. ANNELLE CURULLA.

An introduction to the literary tradition of France from the Middle Ages to the French Revolution. Students are introduced to major authors and literary movements in their cultural and historical contexts. Conducted in French.

Prerequisite: French 205 or permission of the instructor.

210c - IP. Introduction to the Study and Criticism of Modern French Literature. Every spring. Spring 2009. CHARLOTTE DANIELS.

Introduces students to the literary tradition of the French-speaking world from 1789 to the present. Focus on major authors and literary movements in historical and cultural context. Conducted in French.

Prerequisite: French 205 or permission of the instructor.

310–329. Topics in French and Francophone Literature. Every year. THE DEPARTMENT.

Designed to provide students who have a basic knowledge of literature in French the opportunity to study more closely an author, a genre, or a period. Conducted in French.

[314c. Paris and Its Artists.]

319c.d. Remembering Slavery in the French Tradition. Fall 2008. CHARLOTTE DANIELS.

Examines recent efforts to bring visibility to slavery and the slave trade, long left out French school manuals. Explores competing versions of the writing and, as much so, the telling of this history. Readings include works by the philosophes, the memoirs of a French slave trader, several tales of African griots, and the writings of authors in the French Caribbean.

Prerequisite: Two of the following: French 207 or 208, French 209 or 210, one 300-level course in French; or permission of the instructor.

[323c. Murder, Monsters, and Mayhem: The fait divers in Literature and Film.]

[324c.d. Empirical Africa: Exoticism, Race, and Gender. (Same as Africana Studies 324 and Latin American Studies 324.)]

325c. Witches, Monsters, and Demons: Representing the Occult in Early Modern France. Fall 2008. KATHERINE DAUGE-ROTH.

The occult is, by definition, that which is hidden or unknown, yet popular and scholarly fascination with the shadowy and uncertain worlds of witches, monsters, demons, the devil, and the mysteries of nature and the cosmos has fueled attempts by various authorities, writers, and artists to represent and thus to know, control, or exploit the spectacular potential of the occult. Explores early modern and modern representations of occult figures, events, practitioners, and practices in France through historical, literary, journalistic readings, art, film, television, and the Web. Emphasis is placed on the early modern period, but analysis of modern inheritances and interest in the occult parallels investigation of earlier periods throughout the course. Conducted in French.

Prerequisite: Two of the following: French 207 or 208, French 209 or 210, one 300-level course in French; or permission of the instructor.
Courses of Instruction

[327c. Love, Letters, and Lies.]


The seminar offers students the opportunity to synthesize work done in courses at Bowdoin and abroad. The topic will change each year. This course is required for the major in French or Romance languages.

401c–404c. Independent Study and Honors in French. The Department.

ITALIAN


Three class hours per week, plus weekly drill sessions and language laboratory assignments. Study of the basic forms, structures, and vocabulary. Emphasis is on listening comprehension and spoken Italian.


Continuation of Italian 101. Three class hours per week, plus weekly drill sessions and language laboratory assignments. Study of the basic forms, structures, and vocabulary. More attention is paid to reading and writing.

Prerequisite: Italian 101 or the equivalent.


Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with assistant. Aims to increase fluency in both spoken and written Italian. Grammar fundamentals are reviewed. Class conversation and written assignments are based on contemporary texts of literary and social interest.

Prerequisite: Italian 102 or placement.


Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with assistant. Aims to increase fluency in both spoken and written Italian. Grammar fundamentals are reviewed. Class conversation and written assignments are based on contemporary texts of literary and social interest.

Prerequisite: Italian 203 or placement.


Expands the oral and written capacities of the students while offering an introduction to contemporary Italian society and culture. Reviews grammatical and linguistic structures together with readings that encourage the knowledge of Italian regional characteristics. Uses the book Io non ho paura (I’m Not Scared) by Niccolò Ammaniti to accomplish these objectives. Beyond the use of a grammar manual and passages from literary texts, adopts Internet sites as cultural texts, as well as articles and other materials available online and/or assigned by the instructor. Conducted in Italian.

Prerequisite: Italian 204 or placement.


In the recent past, Italy has experienced violent political, economic, and cultural changes. In short succession, it experienced Fascist dictatorship, the Second World War, the Holocaust, and Civil War, a passage from Monarchy to Republic, a transformation from a peasant existence to an industrialized society, giving rise to a revolution in cinema, fashion, and transportation. How did all this happen? Who were the people behind these events? What effect did they have on everyday life? Answers these questions, exploring the history and the culture of
Italy from Fascism to contemporary Italy, passing through the economic boom, the “Years of Lead,” and the Mafia. Students have the opportunity to “re-live” the events of the twentieth century, assuming the identity of real-life men and women. Along with historical and cultural information, students read newspaper articles, letters, excerpts from novels and short stories from authors such as Calvino, Levi, Ginzburg, and others, and see films by directors like Scola, Taviani, De Sica, and Giordana.

Prerequisite: Italian 205 or permission of the instructor.

[221c - IP. Mona Lisa and the Mafia: Italian Culture through the Centuries.]

[222c. Dante’s Divine Comedy.]

[232c - ESD. How To Do It: Guides to the Art of Living Well in the Italian Renaissance.]

[250b. The Worlds of Venice. (Same as Anthropology 250.)]

251b. The Culture of Italian Fascism. Fall 2008. Pamela Ballinger.

Examines Italian fascism through a focus on its cultural contexts. Topics explored include the relationship between politics and aesthetics (particularly avant-garde art movements), colonialism and race, and fascist interventions into work, family, and leisure. Artistic representations of fascism in post-1945 Italy, as well as contemporary contests over the fascist legacy, are also discussed. (Same as Anthropology 251.)

Prerequisite: Anthropology 101, Italian 221, or Sociology 101.

[252b. Made in Italy: Anthropology of Modern Italy. (Same as Anthropology 252.)]


An introduction to the literary tradition of Italy from the Middle Ages through the early Baroque period. Focus on major authors and literary movements in their historical and cultural contexts. Conducted in Italian.

Prerequisite: Italian 205 or permission of the instructor.

[312c. Hallucinatory Landscapes: The Fantastic in Italian Film and Literature.]

[314c. Italian Theater.]


Examines the genre of the Italian “Giallo” and its importance in contemporary Italian fiction. Considers critical approaches to the genre and addresses specific theoretical and cultural issues in the context of modern Italy, with specific focus on the cultural/geographic context that so thoroughly informs the “Giallo.” Examines the style and the formal and thematic choices made by authors such as Sciascia, Scerbanenko, Macchiavelli, Camilleri, Lucarelli, and Carlotto. Conducted in Italian.

Prerequisite: Italian 208 or permission of the instructor.

401c–404c. Independent Study in Italian. The Department.
SPANISH

Three class hours per week and weekly conversation sessions with assistant, plus laboratory assignments. An introduction to the grammar of Spanish, aiming at comprehension, reading, writing, and simple conversation. Emphasis is on grammar structure, with frequent oral drills. **Spanish 101** is open to first- and second-year students who have had less than two years of high school Spanish.

Continuation of **Spanish 101**. Three class hours per week and weekly conversation sessions with assistant, plus laboratory assignments. An introduction to the grammar of Spanish, aiming at comprehension, reading, writing, and simple conversation. More attention is paid to reading and writing.
Prerequisite: **Spanish 101** or the equivalent.

Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with the teaching assistant. Grammar fundamentals are reviewed. Class conversation and written assignments are based on readings in modern literature.
Prerequisite: **Spanish 102** or placement.

Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with the assistant. Grammar fundamentals are reviewed. Class conversation and written assignments are based on readings in modern literature.
Prerequisite: **Spanish 203** or placement.

The study of a variety of journalistic and literary texts and visual media, together with an advanced grammar review, designed to increase written and oral proficiency, as well as appreciation of the cultural history of the Spanish-speaking world. Foundational course for the major. Three class hours per week and one weekly conversation session with assistant.
(Same as Latin American Studies 205.)
Prerequisite: **Spanish 204** or placement.

209c - IP. Introduction to Hispanic Studies: Poetry and Theater. Every semester. The Department.
A chronological introduction to the cultural production of the Spanish-speaking world from pre-Columbian times to the present, with particular emphasis on the analysis of poetry and theater. Examines major literary works and movements in their historical and cultural context. (Same as Latin American Studies 209.)
Prerequisite: **Spanish 205** (same as Latin American Studies 205) or permission of the instructor.
210c - IP. Introduction to Hispanic Studies: Essay and Narrative. Every semester. The Department.
A chronological introduction to the cultural production of the Spanish-speaking world from pre-Columbian times to the present, with particular emphasis on the analysis of essay and narrative. Examines major literary works and movements in their historical and cultural context. (Same as Latin American Studies 210.)
Prerequisite: Spanish 205 (same as Latin American Studies 205) or permission of the instructor.

310–339. Topics in Hispanic Literary and Cultural Studies. Every year. The Department.
Designed to provide advanced students with the opportunity to deepen the study of specific aspects of the cultural production from the Spanish-speaking world. Conducted in Spanish.

[323c.d. The War of the (Latin American) Worlds. (Same as Latin American Studies 323.)]

[324c. Twentieth-Century Spanish Theater.]

[325c. Spanish Civil War in Literature and Film.]

[326c.d. A Body “of One’s Own”: Latina and Caribbean Women Writers. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 326 and Latin American Studies 326.)]

327c. Reading Spanish Film. Fall 2008. Elena Cueto-Asín.
A panoramic study of the film traditions of Spain from their origins in 1896 to the most recent trends, including directors from Luis Buñuel to Pedro Almodóvar. Narrative notions of film semiotics are applied to read Spanish film as literary and artistic manifestations of tendencies such as surrealism, social realism, tremendism, etc., and in connection with political and social phases of modern history of Spain (the Republic, the Civil War, the Franco regime, and the transition to democracy). In addition to regular class sessions, attendance at weekly film screenings is required.
Prerequisite: Spanish 209 (same as Latin American Studies 209) and 210 (same as Latin American Studies 210), or permission of the instructor.

Study of the text of Cervantes’s seminal work in its historical and cultural context, and consideration of some of its interpretations, in Spain and elsewhere.
Prerequisite: Spanish 209 (same as Latin American Studies 209) and 210 (same as Latin American Studies 210), or permission of the instructor.

[331c.d. United States-Latino Literature in Spanish. (Same as Latin American Studies 331.)]

[332c.d. Poetry and Social Activism in Latin America. (Same as Latin American Studies 332.)]

[335c.d. Conquest and Sovereignty in Latin American Literature. (Same as Latin American Studies 335.)]

[337c.d. Hispanic Short Story. (Same as Latin American Studies 337.)]

[338c.d. Shining Path and the End of the World. (Same as Latin American Studies 338.)]
[339c. Borges and the Borgesian. (Same as Latin American Studies 339.)]

340c.d. River Plate Writers. Fall 2008. CAROLYN WOLFENZON.

Studies nineteenth- and twentieth-century Argentinian and Uruguayan authors, focusing on the political and historical contexts in which they created their fictional works. Main course topics will include the representation of the city in Southern Cone literature, the relationship between fiction and visual arts during the twentieth century, and the discourses of political identity in Argentina and Uruguay. Authors will include Esteban Echevarría, Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, Roberto Arlt, Silvina Ocampo, Jorge Luis Borges, Adolfo Bioy Casares, Luisa Valenzuela, Ricardo Piglia, Juan Carlos Onetti, among others. (Same as Latin American Studies 340.)

Prerequisite: Spanish 209 (same as Latin American Studies 209) and 210 (same as Latin American Studies 210), or permission of the instructor.

341c.d. Colonial Experience and Post-colonial Perspectives. Fall 2008. ESMEERALDA A. ULLOA.

A contextualized study of key texts from the Colonial period with special attention to the way in which our historical and ideological distance informs our readings. How do contemporary scholarship on the concepts of history, text, and power enhance or limit our understanding? Texts include letters and journals of the conquistadors, mestizo narratives of lost empires and cultures, treatises on the legal status of the natives, and narratives of shipwreck and adventure in the New World, among others. (Same as Latin American Studies 341.)

Prerequisite: Spanish 209 (same as Latin American Studies 209) and 210 (same as Latin American Studies 210), or permission of the instructor.

401c–404c. Independent Study and Honors in Spanish. THE DEPARTMENT.

Russian

Professor: Jane E. Knox-Voina, Chair
Associate Professor: Raymond H. Miller†
Visiting Assistant Professor: Elena Monastireva-Ansdell
Department Coordinator: Tammis L. Lareau

Requirements for the Major in Russian Language and Literature

The Russian major consists of ten courses (eleven for honors). These include Russian 101, 102 and 203, 204; four courses in Russian above Russian 204; and two approved courses in either Russian literature in translation or Slavic civilization, or approved related courses in government, history, or economics (e.g., Government 231, Post-Communist Russian Politics and History 218, The Making of Modern Russia).

Interdisciplinary Major

The department participates in an interdisciplinary major in Eurasian and East European studies. See pages 205–06.
Study Abroad
Students are encouraged to spend at least one semester in Russia. There are several approved summer and one-semester Russian-language programs in Moscow, St. Petersburg, Yaroslavl, Voronezh, and Irkutsk that are open to all students who have taken the equivalent of two or three years of Russian. Programs should be discussed with the Russian department. Students returning from study abroad will be expected to take two courses in the department unless exceptions are granted by the chair. Two of the four semester credits from a one-semester study abroad program may be counted toward both the Eurasian and East European major and the Russian major; four credits may be counted toward a Russian major from a year-long program.

Advanced Independent Study
This is an option intended for students who wish to work on honors projects or who have taken advantage of all the regular course offerings and wish to work more closely on a particular topic already studied. Independent study is not an alternative to regular course work. Application should be made to a member of the department prior to the semester in which the project is to be undertaken and must involve a specific proposal in an area in which the student can already demonstrate basic knowledge. Two semesters of advanced independent studies are required for honors in Russian. Petition for an honors project must be made in the spring of the junior year.

Requirements for the Minor in Russian
The minor consists of seven courses (including the first two years of Russian).

Courses Taught in English Translation
The department offers courses in English that focus on Russian history, literature, and culture. These may be taken by non-majors and include a series of 200-level courses: Russian 220–251.

First-Year Seminars
[22c. “It Happens Rarely, Maybe, but It Does Happen” – Fantasy and Satire in East Central Europe.]

Courses in Russian for Majors and Minors
   Emphasis on the acquisition of language skills through imitation and repetition of basic language patterns; the development of facility in speaking and understanding simple Russian. Conversation hour with a native speaker.

   Continuation of Russian 101. Emphasis on the acquisition of language skills through imitation and repetition of basic language patterns; the development of facility in speaking and understanding simple Russian. Conversation hour with native speaker.
   Prerequisite: Russian 101 or permission of the instructor.

A continuation of Russian 101, 102. Emphasis on maintaining and improving the student’s facility in speaking and understanding normal conversational Russian. Writing and reading skills are also stressed. Conversation hour with native speaker.
Prerequisite: Russian 102 or permission of the instructor.


A continuation of Russian 203. Emphasis on maintaining and improving the student’s facility in speaking and understanding normal conversational Russian. Writing and reading skills are also stressed. Conversation hour with native speaker.
Prerequisite: Russian 203 or permission of the instructor.


Upon demand, this course may be conducted as a small seminar for several students in areas not covered in the above courses (e.g., the Russian media or intensive language study).
Prerequisite: Russian 305 or permission of the instructor.


Intended to develop the ability to read Russian at a sophisticated level by combining selected language and literature readings, grammar review, and study of Russian word formation. Discussion and reports in Russian. Conversation hour with native speaker.
Prerequisite: Russian 204 or permission of the instructor.


A study of Russian folk culture: folk tales, fairy tales, legends, and traditional oral verse, as well as the development of folk motives in the work of modern writers. Special emphasis on Indo-European and Common Slavic background. Reading and discussion in Russian. Short term papers.
Prerequisite: Russian 305 or permission of the instructor.


Prerequisite: Russian 305 or permission of the instructor.


An introduction to twentieth-century Russian literature from Symbolism to Postmodernism. Reading of poetry by Blok, Akhmatova, Mayakovskiy, Evtushenko, and Okudzhava, along with short prose by Zamiatin, Babel, Zoshchenko, Kharms, Shalamov, Aksenov, Shukshin, Petrushevskaya, Tolstaya, Ulitskaya, Sadur, and Pelevin. Close readings of the assigned works are viewed alongside other artistic texts and cultural phenomena, including the bard song, film, conceptual and sots-art, and rock- and pop-music.
Prerequisite: Russian 305 or permission of the instructor.


Examines various nineteenth- and twentieth-century Russian poets, including Pushkin, Lermontov, Blok, and Mayakovskiy. Earlier history of Russian verse is also discussed. Includes study of Russian poetics and the cultural-historical context of each poet’s work. Reading and discussion are in Russian. Short term papers.
Prerequisite: Russian 305 or permission of the instructor.
401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Russian. THE DEPARTMENT.

Individual research in Russian studies. Major sources should be read in Russian. A two-semester project is necessary for honors in Russian.

Prerequisite: One course in Russian above 305.

IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION

220c - IP. Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature. Fall 2010. RAYMOND MILLER.

Traces the development of Russian realism and the Russian novel in the context of contemporary intellectual history. Specific topics include the Russian response to Romanticism; the rejection of Romanticism in favor of the “realistic” exposure of Russia’s social ills; Russian nationalism and literary Orientalism; the portrayal of women and their role in Russian society; the reflection of contemporary political controversies in Russian writing. Authors include Pushkin, Gogol’, Lermontov, Belinsky, Dostoevsky, and Tolstoy. Russian majors are required to do some reading in Russian.

221c - IP. Soviet Worker Bees, Revolution, and Red Love in Russian Film. Fall 2009. JANE KNOX-VOINA.

Explores twentieth-century Russian culture through film, art, architecture, and literature. Topics include scientific utopias, eternal revolution, individual freedom, collectivism, conflict between the intelligentsia and the common man, the “new Soviet woman,” nationalism, and the demise of the Soviet Union. Works of Eisenstein, Tarkovsky, Kandinsky, Chagall, Mayakovksy, Pasternak, Brodsky, Akhmatova, Solzhenitsyn, and Tolstaya. Weekly film viewings. Russian majors are required to do some reading in Russian. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 220.)


Examines Fyodor Dostoevsky’s later novels. Studies the author’s unique brand of realism (“fantastic realism,” “realism of a higher order”), which explores the depths of human psychology and spirituality. Emphasis on the anti-Western, anti-materialist bias of Dostoevsky’s quest for meaning in a world growing increasingly unstable, violent, and cynical. Special attention is given to the author’s treatment of urban poverty and the place of women in Russian society. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 221.)

224c. Dostoevsky or Tolstoy. Fall 2009. RAYMOND MILLER.

Explores and compares two giants of Russian literature, Lev Tolstoy and Fyodor Dostoevsky. Their works are read for their significance, both to Russian cultural history and to European thought; special attention is paid to the portrayal of women and women’s issues by both authors. Part I studies Dostoevsky’s quest for guiding principles of freedom and love in a world of growing violence, cynicism, and chaos. “The Woman Question” emerges as a constant subject: Dostoevsky particularly concerned himself with the suffering of poor and humiliated women. A close reading of several short works and the novel Brothers Karamazov set in their historical, and intellectual framework. Emphasis on the novelist’s struggle between Western materialistic individualism and Eastern voluntary self-renunciation. Examines Dostoevsky’s “fantastic realism” as a polyphony of voices, archetypes, and religious symbols. Part II studies Tolstoy’s development both as a novelist and a moral philosopher. Examines several works, the most important being the novel Anna Karenina, with special emphasis on the tension between Tolstoy-the-artist and Tolstoy-the-moralist. Discussion of the writer’s role as “the conscience of Russia” in the last thirty years of his life, as well as his influence on such figures as Gandhi and Martin Luther King. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 217.)

Examines Stalin’s 1920-30s fundamental transformation of Russian society with his ruthless revolution from above. Topics include official and dissident culture of (Mayakovsky, Bulgakov, Sozhenitsyn, Akhmatova, and others), and art. Investigates how some Soviet artists shaped and popularized Stalin’s vision of a socialist utopia, how others questioned and subverted the emergent totalitarian system. Memoirs and diaries from the years of terror (mid- to late 1930s) provide insights into the everyday experiences and personal struggles of regular Soviet people. Discussion of a series of de-Stalinization campaigns after his death in 1953, how Stalin’s cultural legacy is neither gone nor forgotten, post-Stalinist culture and reactions against Stalinism, and resurgence of Stalinist myths and mindsets in Russia today.


Films, music, short stories, folklore, art analyzed for the construction of national identity of Asian peoples from the Caucasus to the Siberian Bering Straits—Russia and the Former Central Asia (the “stans” and Mongolia). Themes: Multicultural conflicts along the Silk Road, the transit zone linking West to East. Changing roles of Asian women as cornerstone for nations. Survival and role of indigenous peoples in solving cultural, economic, and geopolitical issues facing the twenty-first century. Arrival of “outsiders”: from early traders to Siberian settlers to exiled convicts; from early conquerors to despotic Bolshevik rulers, from Genghis Khan to Stalin. Impact of Soviet collectivization and industrialization on traditional beliefs, destruction of environment and subsistence cultures, Eastern spiritualities (Muslimism, shamanism). Questions how film and literature both tell and shape the story of “nations.” Films include S. Bodrov’s *Prisoner of the Mountains (Caucasus)* and *Mongol*; V. Pudovkin’s *Storm Over Asia*, A. Kurosawa’s *Dersu Uzala*, N. Mikhalkov’s *Close to Eden*, A. Konchalovsky’s *Siberiade*, G. Omarova’s *Schizo*. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 243.)

**Sociology and Anthropology**

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*Assistant Professors:* Dhiraj Murthy, Seth Ovadia

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*Department Coordinator:* Lori B. Quimby

**Requirements for the Major**

In consultation with an advisor, each student plans a major program that will nurture an understanding of society and the human condition, demonstrate how social and cultural knowledge are acquired through research, and enrich his or her general education. On the practical level, a major program prepares the student for graduate study in sociology or anthropology and contributes to preprofessional programs such as law and medicine. It
also provides background preparation for careers in urban planning, public policy, the civil service, social work, business or personnel administration, social research, law enforcement and criminal justice, the health professions, journalism, secondary school teaching, and development programs.

A student may choose either of two major programs or two minor programs:

The major in sociology consists of ten courses, including Sociology 101, 201, 211, and 310. One or two of the ten courses may be advanced courses from anthropology (or, if approved by the department chair, from related fields to meet the student’s special interests) or off-campus study courses (with departmental approval). In all cases, at least seven of the courses counted toward the major must be Bowdoin sociology courses. Sociology 201 should be taken in the sophomore year.

The major in anthropology consists of nine courses, including Anthropology 101, 102, 201, 203, and 310, and one course with an area focus. Students are urged to complete Anthropology 101, 102, 201, and 203 as early as possible. One or two of the nine courses may be taken from the advanced offerings in sociology and/or, with departmental approval, from off-campus study programs. In all cases, at least seven of the courses counted toward the major must be Bowdoin anthropology courses.

Requirements for the Minor

The minor in sociology consists of five sociology courses, including Sociology 101, 201, and 211, and two other sociology courses. One of the elective courses may be from off-campus study.

The minor in anthropology consists of five anthropology courses, including Anthropology 101 and 203, either 102 or 201, and an area study course. One of the elective courses may be from off-campus study.

For the anthropology major or minor program, one semester of independent study may be counted. For the sociology major program, two semesters of independent study may be counted, while for the minor program one semester may be counted.

Core Courses

The core courses in sociology (101, 201, 211, and 310) and the core courses in anthropology (101, 102, 201, 203, and 310) must be taken at Bowdoin. Courses in which CR (Credit) grades are received do not count toward the major or minor. In order for a course to fulfill the major or minor requirements in sociology or anthropology, a grade of C- or above must be earned in that course.

Off-Campus Study

Study away in a demanding academic program can contribute substantially to a major in sociology and anthropology. Students are advised to plan study away for their junior year. A student should complete either the Sociology 201 or Anthropology 201 research methods course, depending on their major, before studying away. Students must obtain provisional approval for their study away courses in writing by department faculty before they leave for study away, and then seek final approval upon their return to Bowdoin.
Departmental Honors

Students distinguishing themselves in either major program may apply for departmental honors. Awarding of the degree with honors will ordinarily be based on grades attained in major courses and a written project (emanating from independent study), and will recognize the ability to work creatively and independently and to synthesize diverse theoretical, methodological, and substantive materials.

SOCIOMETRY

First-Year Seminars

For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

   (Same as Africana Studies 10.)

[14b. America in the 1970s.]

[16b. Deviance and Conformity.]


Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


The major perspectives of sociology. Application of the scientific method to sociological theory and to current social issues. Theories ranging from social determinism to free will are considered, including the work of Marx, Weber, Durkheim, Merton, and others. Attention is given to such concepts as role, status, society, culture, institution, personality, social organization, the dynamics of change, the social roots of behavior and attitudes, social control, deviance, socialization, and the dialectical relationship between individual and society.


Provides firsthand experience with the specific procedures through which social science knowledge is developed. Emphasizes the interaction between theory and research, and examines the ethics of social research and the uses and abuses of research in policy making. Reading and methodological analysis of a variety of case studies from the sociological literature. Field and laboratory exercises that include observation, interviewing, use of available data (e.g., historical documents, statistical archives, computerized data banks, cultural artifacts), sampling, coding, use of computer, elementary data analysis and interpretation. Lectures, laboratory sessions, and small-group conferences.

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or permission of the instructor.

[204b. Families: A Comparative Perspective. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 204.)]


An introduction to the sociological analysis of cities. Topics include the development and evolution of cities, the major paradigms in urban sociology, and an extended overview of contemporary urban issues. Cities in the United States are the primary focus, but some international comparisons are made. Students complete a semester-long case study of an American city of their choice, using a variety of research materials.

Prerequisite: Sociology 101.

The social and cultural meaning of race and ethnicity, with emphasis on the politics of events and processes in contemporary America. Analysis of the causes and consequences of prejudice and discrimination. Examination of the relationships between race and class. Comparisons among racial and ethnic minorities in the United States. (Same as Africana Studies 208.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101, Africana Studies 101, or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.

[209b. Immigration, Culture, and Community.]


An analysis of selected works by the founders of modern sociology. Particular emphasis is given to understanding differing approaches to sociological analysis through detailed textual interpretation. Works by Marx, Weber, Durkheim, and selected others are read.

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or permission of the instructor.

[215b. Criminology and Criminal Justice.]


Explores and critiques a variety of proposed solutions for healing racism in the United States. A working definition of racism is developed through a careful examination of the social structures that support the continuance of racism and discrimination based on race in the United States. The dominant/subordinate relationships of European Americans with African Americans, Latino/a Americans, Native Americans, and Asian Americans are reviewed. (Same as Africana Studies 217.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 10 or 101, or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.


An analysis of the development and function of law and legal systems in industrial societies. Examines the relationships between law and social change, law and social inequality, and law and social control. Special attention is paid to social influences on the operation of legal systems and the resultant gaps between legal ideals and the “law in action.”

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.

[220b - ESD. Class, Labor, and Power.]

221b, d - ESD. Environmental Inequality and Justice. Fall 2008. Joe Bandy.

A critical examination of the relationships between social inequalities and environmental degradation, both in the U.S. and internationally. Through case studies and comparative literatures, surveys a variety of topics that reveal the complex interactions between social structures of power and environment, including the distribution of environmental hazards across race and class, natural resource rights and management, urban health and sustainability, and energy and environmental security. Also studies critically the development of a broad-based environmentalism of the poor, most notably environmental justice organizations and indigenous struggles over resources, as well as their coalitions and conflicts with mainstream environmental and other social movements. (Same as Environmental Studies 221.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Environmental Studies 101 or permission of the instructor.

[222b - ESD. Introduction to Human Population. (Same as Environmental Studies 222 and Gender and Women’s Studies 224.)]
223b - ESD. Cultural Interpretations of Medicine. Spring 2009. SUSAN BELL.

Explores a series of topics in health studies from the perspectives of the humanities and social sciences: medical ethics, the development and use of reproductive technologies, relationships between doctors and patients, disability, public health, and the experience of illness. Encourages reflection about these topics through ethnographies, monographs, novels, plays, poetry, and visual arts, such as Barker’s *Regeneration*, Squiers’, *The Body at Risk: Photography of Disorder, Illness, and Healing*, Kafka’s *Metamorphosis*, Bosk’s *Forgive and Remember*, and Alvord’s *The Scalpel and the Silver Bear*. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 223.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101.

224b - IP. Global Health Matters. Fall 2008. SUSAN BELL.

Introduces students to international health, healing, and medicine from individual experiences in local contexts to global practices. Locates health and health care within particular cultural, social, historical, and political circumstances. How do these diverse forces shape the organization of healthcare providers and systems of health care delivery? How do these forces influence people’s symptoms, health beliefs, utilization of healthcare, and interactions with healthcare providers? How are local practices of health and healthcare linked to large-scale social and economic structures? Topics include structural violence; global pharmaceuticals; the commodification of bodies, organ trafficking, and organ transplantation; pregnancy and reproduction.

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101.

[225b - IP. Globalization and Social Change. (Same as Latin American Studies 225.)]

227b - IP. Transnational Race and Ethnicity. Spring 2009. DHIRAJ MURTHY.

Examines globally mediated formations of ethnic and racial identities, including the ways in which transnational communities are shaped through contact with “homelands” (physically and virtually) and vice versa. Particular attention is given to “Black” and “South Asian” diasporic communities based in London and the transnational cultural networks in Africa, the Indian Subcontinent, and the Caribbean that they help maintain. Readings include works by Paul Gilroy, Arjun Appadurai, Les Back, Stuart Hall, Jayne Ifekwunigwe, Ian Ang, and the Delhi-based sarai school. (Same as Africana Studies 227 and Asian Studies 263.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101.

[233b - ESD. Asian American Experience.]


[253b. Constructions of the Body. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 253 and Gender and Women’s Studies 253.)]

[275b - ESD. Cultural Encounters with/in Hawai‘i.]

278b.d - ESD, IP. China, Gender, Family. Fall 2008. NANCY RILEY.

Examines issues surrounding gender and family in China, focusing on contemporary society but with some historical work. Topics to be examined include footbinding, constructions of gender during the Cultural Revolution, the role of family in society and in gender construction, and the effect of new economic changes on families and genders. (Same as Asian Studies 278 and Gender and Women’s Studies 278.)

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101, or permission of the instructor.


Draws together different theoretical and substantive issues in sociology in the United States, primarily since 1950. Discusses current controversies in the discipline, e.g., quantitative versus qualitative methodologies, micro versus macro perspectives, and pure versus applied work.

Prerequisite: Sociology 211 or permission of the instructor.

[312b. Resistance and Accommodation: Comparative Perspectives on Gender. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 312 and Gender and Women’s Studies 312.)]


Advanced seminar in visual sociology. In the early twentieth century visual images were included routinely in sociology journals, and photographers worked with sociologists to document rural poverty. In the late twentieth century, sociologists again began to employ visual analysis of organizations, institutions, communities, and popular culture; to use sociological theory in making, interpreting, and presenting visual evidence; and to develop a visual sociological imagination by learning how to read photographs, documentary and popular films, and other media. Why did the sociological imagination become text-based? What do visual images do? Particular attention given to photography and film as resources and topics of sociological knowledge. Readings will include theoretical works about the sociology of knowledge, including the colonial and ethnographic gaze.

Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or Anthropology 101 and one of: Sociology 211, Sociology 312 (same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 312 and Gender and Women’s Studies 312), Anthropology 201, Anthropology 203, Gender and Women’s Studies 201, Sociology 224, Sociology 253 (same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 253 and Gender and Women’s Studies 253), Interdisciplinary Studies 240, or Visual Arts 180.

[320b. Poverty and Social Policy.]

401b–404b. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Sociology. The Department.

ANTHROPOLOGY

First-Year Seminars
For a full description of first-year seminars, see pages 147–57.

[20b. Fantastic Archaeology.]


[25b.d. Tasting Hierarchies: Food in Latin America. (Same as Latin American Studies 25.)]

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


Cultural anthropology explores the diversities and commonalities of cultures and societies in an increasingly interconnected world. Introduces students to the significant issues, concepts, theories, and methods in cultural anthropology. Topics may include cultural relativism and
ethnocentrism, fieldwork and ethics, symbolism, language, religion and ritual, political and economic systems, family and kinship, gender, class, ethnicity and race, nationalism and transnationalism, and ethnographic representation and validity.

An introduction to the discipline of archaeology and the studies of human biological and cultural evolution. Among the subjects covered are conflicting theories of human biological evolution, debates over the genetic and cultural bases of human behavior, the expansion of human populations into various ecosystems throughout the world, the domestication of plants and animals, the shift from nomadic to settled village life, and the rise of complex societies and the state.

Anthropological research methods and perspectives are examined through classic and recent ethnography, statistics and computer literacy, and the student’s own fieldwork experience. Topics include ethics, analytical and methodological techniques, the interpretation of data, and the use and misuse of anthropology.
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101.

Introduces students to the methods and concepts that archaeologists use to explore the human past. Shows how concepts from natural science, history, and anthropology help archaeologists investigate past societies, reveal the form and function of ancient cultural remains, and draw inferences about the nature and causes of change in human societies over time. Will include a significant fieldwork component, including excavations on campus.
Prerequisite: Anthropology 102, or Archaeology 101 or 102, or permission of the instructor.

An examination of the development of various theoretical approaches to the study of culture and society. Anthropology in the United States, Britain, and France is covered from the nineteenth century to the present. Among those considered are Morgan, Tylor, Durkheim, Boas, Malinowski, Mead, Geertz, and Lévi-Strauss.
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101.

[205c.d - IP. Who Owns the Past? The Roles of Museums in Preserving and Presenting Culture. (Same as Archaeology 207.)]

[206b - ESD. The Archaeology of Gender and Ethnicity. (Same as Africana Studies 206.)]

[210b.d - ESD. IP. Global Sexualities, Local Desires. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 210, Gender and Women’s Studies 210, and Latin American Studies 211.)]

Archaeology began with the study of the great states of the ancient world, with Egypt, Mesopotamia, China, the Maya, and the Aztecs. Examines the origins of civilizations in the Old and New Worlds, using archaeological, historical, and ethnographic data. Reviews the major debates on state formation processes, the question of whether integrated theories of state formation are possible, and the processes leading to the collapse of state societies.
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or 102.

[223c.d - ESD. IP. Religion and Political Violence in South Asia. (Same as Asian Studies 226 and Religion 225.)]
225b. Class and Culture. Fall 2008. SARA DICKEY.
Examines theories of class and hierarchy, ranging from Marx and Weber to Foucault, and ethnographies of class cultures. Investigates the mutual impact of class and culture, the places of socioeconomic classes in wider systems of stratification, and the interactions of class and other forms of hegemony.
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or Sociology 101.

[229b.d. Maya Archaeology and Ethnohistory. (Same as Latin American Studies 229.)]

[230b - ESD. Language, Identity, and Power.]

[231b.d. Native Peoples and Cultures of Arctic America. (Same as Environmental Studies 231.)]

Explores Indian films, film consumption, and film industries since 1947. Focuses on mainstream cinema in different regions of India, with some attention to the impact of popular film conventions on art cinema and documentary. Topics include the narrative and aesthetic conventions of Indian films, film magazines, fan clubs, cinema and electoral politics, stigmas on acting, filmmakers and filmmaking, rituals of film watching, and audience interpretations of movies. The production, consumption, and content of Indian cinema are examined in social, cultural, and political contexts, particularly with an eye to their relationships to class, gender, and nationalism. Attendance at weekly evening screenings is required. Part of the Other Modernities course cluster (see page 70). (Same as Asian Studies 247.)
Prerequisite: One of the following: Anthropology 101, Sociology 101, Film 101, Film 202; or permission of the instructor.

[233b.d - ESD, IP. Peoples and Cultures of Africa. (Same as Africana Studies 233.)]

237b.d - ESD, IP. Gender and Family in Latin America. Fall 2008. KRISTA VAN VLEET.
Focuses on family, gender, and sexuality as windows onto political, economic, social, and cultural issues in Latin America. Topics include indigenous and natural gender ideologies, marriage, race, and class; machismo and masculinity; state and domestic violence; religion and reproductive control; compulsory heterosexuality; AIDS; and cross-cultural conceptions of homosexuality. Takes a comparative perspective and draws on a wide array of sources including ethnography, film, fiction, and historical narrative. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 237 and Latin American Studies 237.)
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or Sociology 101, or permission of the instructor.

[238b.d. Culture and Power in the Andes. (Same as Latin American Studies 238.)]


244b. Peoples and Societies of the Mediterranean. Spring 2009. PAMELA BALLINGER.
Exploring the conceptual and political construction of “the Mediterranean” as a region, examines similarities and differences between the Mediterranean’s northern and southern shores, focusing on religious systems and practices, gender relations, and political systems and behaviors. Attention also given to contemporary issues of economic development, immigration, and regionalism. Materials examined include traveler accounts, novels, anthropological and historical analyses, and popular films.
Prerequisite: One course in anthropology or sociology, or permission of the instructor.
[246b. Anthropology of the Balkans.]

[248b.d. Activist Voices in India. (Same as Asian Studies 248 and Gender and Women’s Studies 246.)]

[250b. The Worlds of Venice. (Same as Italian 250.)]

251b. The Culture of Italian Fascism. Fall 2008. Pamela Ballinger.
Examines Italian fascism through a focus on its cultural contexts. Topics explored include the relationship between politics and aesthetics (particularly avant-garde art movements), colonialism and race, and fascist interventions into work, family, and leisure. Artistic representations of fascism in post-1945 Italy, as well as contemporary contests over the fascist legacy, are also discussed. (Same as Italian 251.)
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101, Italian 221, or Sociology 101.

[252b. Made in Italy: Anthropology of Modern Italy. (Same as Italian 252.)]

Examines the prehistory of Africa since the appearance of modern humans on that continent about 100,000 years ago. Particular attention paid to changes in African economies and social systems through time. Some of the topics covered include the cultural development of modern humans in Africa; the beginnings of agriculture in different parts of the continent; state formation processes in sub-Saharan Africa; and the coordination of ethnographic, linguistic, and archaeological data in research. (Same as Africana Studies 256.)
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or 102, or permission of the instructor.

Explores the role music plays in several religious and spiritual contexts around the world. Explores the relationship between music and a range of epistemological systems incorporating religion, spirituality, philosophy, mythology, and cosmology. Aims to understand how music works in ritual settings, enacts normative social orders, and triggers altered states of being such as trance, spirit possession, and spiritual ecstasy. (Same as Music 252.)
Prerequisite: One course in music or permission of the instructor.

Bowdoin faculty and students have been traveling to the Arctic since 1860, studying northern environments and cultures, and exploring unmapped regions. Their work is part of a longer history involving Westerners who have been exploring the Arctic for centuries, drawn by a desire to map the geography of the earth, claim lands and their resources, find new shipping routes, understand Arctic environments, and develop insights into the lifeways of northern indigenous peoples. Examines some of the social, economic, political, and scientific factors shaping Arctic exploration. The ways in which expeditions and specific explorers affected and continue to affect northern peoples, the general public, and the contemporary geopolitical landscape will be examined. Students will read published accounts and unpublished journals and papers, and will study archival photographs and motion picture films. (Same as Environmental Studies 266.)
Prerequisite: Anthropology 101 or 102.

[280b - ESD. Race, Biology, and Anthropology. (Same as Africana Studies 280.)]

   Close readings of recent ethnographies and other materials are used to examine current theoretical and methodological developments and concerns in anthropology.
   Prerequisite: Anthropology 101, 102, 201, and 203, or permission of the instructor.

   The earth’s environment has changed in both subtle and dramatic ways over the last 20,000 years. Some changes have resulted from natural processes, while others have been triggered by human activities. Examines the complex relationships between cultures and environments using examples drawn from archaeological, ethnohistorical, and historical records. Why do some cultures adapt successfully to changes in marine and terrestrial conditions, shifts in resource availability, and catastrophic events, while others fail? What can we learn from these examples as we reflect on contemporary responses to environmental change? Case studies will be drawn from around the world. Students will work with archaeological, cultural, and paleoenvironmental data. (Same as Environmental Studies 312.)
   Prerequisite: Anthropology 101, 102, or Sociology 101; and two 200-level courses in anthropology, archaeology, environmental studies, or sociology.

401b–404b. Advanced Independent Study and Honors in Anthropology. The Department.

Theater and Dance

Professor: June A. Vail**
Associate Professors: Roger Bechtel, Chair; Davis R. Robinson
Senior Lecturers: Gwyneth Jones, Paul Sarvis
Lecturers: Abigail Killeen, Sonja Moser
Adjunct Lecturers: Judy Gailen, Michael Schiff-Verre
Laboratory Instructor: Deb Puhl
Department Coordinator: Noma Petroff

Students may minor in dance or theater. Although no major is offered in the Department of Theater and Dance, students with special interest may, with faculty advice, self-design a major in conjunction with another academic discipline. More information on student-designed majors may be found on page 28.

Interdisciplinary Major
The department participates in an interdisciplinary major in English and theater. See page 204.
DANCE

The dance curriculum provides a coherent course of study through classes in dance history, theory, criticism, choreography, and performance studies, including dance technique and repertory. The department emphasizes dance’s relation to the performing and fine arts and its fundamental connection to the broad liberal arts curriculum. The program’s goal is dance literacy and the development of skills important to original work in all fields: keen perception, imaginative problem solving, discipline, and respect for craft.

The foundation for performance studies classes in dance technique and repertory is modern dance, a term designating a wide spectrum of styles. The program focuses on an inventive, unrestricted approach to movement informed by an understanding of basic dance technique. This offers an appropriate format for exploring the general nature of dance and the creative potential of undergraduates.

Performance studies courses (111, 211, 311; and 112, 212, 312) earn one-half credit each semester. Each course may be repeated a maximum of four times for credit. Students may enroll in a technique course (111, 211, 311) and a repertory course (112, 212, 312) in the same semester for one full academic course credit. Attendance at all classes is required. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. Dance 115 and Dance 195 are also half-credit courses and do not count toward the minor in dance. Grading is Credit/D/Fail.

Requirements for the Minor in Dance
The minor consists of five course credits: Dance 101; Dance 111/112, 211/212, or 311/312; Dance 102, 130, 140, or 150; and two additional courses at the 200 level or higher.

Students must earn a grade of Credit or C- or better in order to have a course count toward the minor in dance.

Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses


Dancing is a fundamental human activity, a mode of communication, and a basic force in social life. Investigates dance and movement in the studio and classroom as aesthetic and cultural phenomena. Explores how dance and movement activities reveal information about cultural norms and values and affect perspectives in our own and other societies. Using ethnographic methods, focuses on how dancing maintains and creates conceptions of one’s own body, gender relationships, and personal and community identities. Experiments with dance and movement forms from different cultures and epochs—for example, the hula, New England contradance, classical Indian dance, Balkan kolos, ballet, contact improvisation, and African American dance forms from swing to hip-hop—through readings, performances, workshops in the studio, and field work. (Same as Gender and Women’s Studies 102.)


Explores ways of choreographing dances and multimedia performance works, primarily solos, duets, trios. A strong video component introduces students—regardless of previous experience in dance—to a wide range of compositional methods that correspond to creative process in other arts: writing, drawing, composing. Includes some reading, writing, and discussion, as well as work with visiting professional dance companies and attendance at live performances.

Introduction to the language, theory, and practice of technical theater. Hands-on experience in lighting, scenic and property construction, costuming, and stage management. Considers the possibilities, demands, and limits inherent in different forms of performance and performance spaces, and explores the job roles integral to theater and dance production. Includes forty hours of laboratory work. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. (Same as Theater 104.)

111c - VPA. Introductory Dance Technique. Every semester. The Department.

Classes in modern dance technique include basic exercises to develop dance skills such as balance and musicality. More challenging movement combinations and longer dance sequences build on these exercises. While focusing on the craft of dancing, students develop an appreciation of their own styles and an understanding of the role of craft in the creative process. During the semester, a historical overview of twentieth-century American dance on video is presented. Attendance at all classes is required. May be repeated for credit. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit.

112c - VPA. Introductory Repertory and Performance. Every semester. The Department.

Repertory students are required to take Dance 111 concurrently. Repertory classes provide the chance to learn faculty-choreographed works or reconstructions of historical dances. Class meetings are conducted as rehearsals for performances at the end of the semester: the December Studio Show, the annual Spring Performance in Pickard Theater, or Museum Pieces at the Bowdoin College Museum of Art in May. Additional rehearsals are scheduled before performances. Attendance at all classes and rehearsals is required. May be repeated for credit. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit.

[113c,d - VPA. African Dance and Music. (Same as Africana Studies 113 and Music 113.)]

[115c. Bodywork for Performers. (Same as Music 115 and Theater 115.)]


An introduction to theatrical design that stimulates students to consider the world of a play, dance, or performance piece from a designer’s perspective. Through projects, readings, discussion, and critiques, students explore the fundamental principles of visual design, as they apply to set, lighting, and costume design, as well as text analysis for the designer, and the process of collaboration. Strong emphasis on perceptual, analytical, and communication skills. (Same as Theater 130.)

[140c - VPA. Performance Art. (Same as Theater 140 and Visual Arts 175.)]


For millennia, we have organized our fictions, our religions, our histories, and our own lives as narratives. However much the narrative form has been called into question in recent years, it seems we just cannot stop telling each other stories. Examines the particular nexus between narrative and performance: What is narrative? How does it work? What are its limits and its limitations? How do we communicate narrative in performance? Involves both critical inquiry and the creation of performance pieces based in text, dance, movement, and the visual image. (Same as Theater 145.)

150c - VPA. Improvisation. Every other year. Spring 2009. The Department.

Improvisation is a fundamental tool used by dancers, musicians, actors, writers, and other artists to explore the language of a medium and to develop new work. An interdisciplinary introduction to some of the primary forms of improvisation used in dance and theater. Content includes theater games, narrative exercises, contact improvisation, and choreographic structures. (Same as Theater 150.)
195c - VPA. Production and Performance. Every semester. The Department.

Engagement in the presentation of a full-length work for public performance with a faculty director or choreographer. Areas of concentration within the production may include design, including set, light, sound, or costume; rehearsal and performance of roles; service as assistant director or stage manager. In addition to fulfilling specific production responsibilities, students meet weekly to synthesize work. Students gain admission to Dance 195 either through audition (performers) or through advance consultation (designers, stage managers, and assistant directors). Students register for Dance 195 during the add/drop period at the beginning of each semester. Students are required to commit a minimum of six hours a week to rehearsal and production responsibilities over a period of seven to twelve weeks; specific time commitments depend upon the role the student is assuming in the production and the production schedule. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit. May be repeated a maximum of four times for credit, earning a maximum of two credits. (Same as Theater 195.)

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

202c - VPA. Topics in Dance History: Rebel Dancers, Dancing Revolutions. Every other year. Fall 2008. June Vail.

A studio exploration of American social and theatrical choreography’s intersection with cultural and political upheavals in the United States during the past century. Assignments intersperse dancing with reading, writing, and viewing films and live performances, with workshops by visiting dance companies. Explores diverse styles and eras, including the turn-of-the-twentieth-century feminist/political art of Isadora Duncan; performances of racial and class solidarity by workers’ groups of the 1930s; avant-garde happenings and subversive choreographic strategies of the 1960s; the embodied politics of early hip-hop; and, the staging of gender identities in the 1990s and beyond.

Prerequisite: One of the following: Dance 101, 102, 111, 211, or 311, or permission of the instructor.

211c - VPA. Intermediate Dance Technique. Every semester. The Department.

A continuation of the processes introduced in Dance 111. May be repeated for credit. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit.

212c - VPA. Intermediate Repertory and Performance. Every semester. The Department.

Intermediate repertory students are required to take Dance 211 concurrently. A continuation of the principles and requirement introduced in Dance 112. May be repeated for credit. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit.


Hybrid by nature, rebellious in spirit, performance rejects the boundaries and conventions of traditional theater and dance, combining and recombining these live forms with every other artistic mode and medium imaginable. Yet as the first decade of the new century draws to an end, so does the fifth decade of this “new” form. Is it still breaking boundaries, or has boundary-breaking itself become a convention? What, these days, is new about performance? Examines the genealogical roots of performance and studies the ways twenty-first-century performance is exploring the body, the mind, technology, intercultural aesthetics, and globalism. Students will enact critical inquiries in the creation of their own performance works. (Same as Theater 240.)

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater or dance.
291c–294c. Intermediate Independent Study in Dance. The Department.

311c - VPA. Advanced/Intermediate Dance Technique. Every semester. The Department.
A continuation of the processes introduced in Dance 211. May be repeated for credit. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit.

312c - VPA. Advanced/Intermediate Repertory and Performance. Every semester. The Department.
Intermediate/advanced repertory students are required to take Dance 311 concurrently. A continuation of the principles and requirement introduced in Dance 212. May be repeated for credit. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit.

Investigates critical perspectives on the performing arts—drama, dance, and other theatrical media—and develops writing skills such as description, analysis, evaluation, and interpretation. Video, film, and live performances provide the basis for journalistic reviews and essays. Combines theory and practice in developing modes of reflexive critical response that acknowledge the participation of the observer in the creation of both event and commentary. (Same as Theater 325.)
Prerequisite: One full-credit course in dance or theater, or permission of the instructor.

Experienced theater and dance students collaborate to devise an original performance event. Spans the entire process from conception to research, writing, staging, choreographing, and ultimately performing for the public. With emphasis on experimentation—and a process that includes dance and acting technique—the aim is to both embrace and transcend disciplinary traditions. (Same as Theater 322.)
Prerequisite: One 100-level and one 200-level course in theater or dance, or permission of the instructor.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study in Dance. The Department.

THEATER

The theater program at Bowdoin offers students the opportunity to examine the ways theater can provoke the imagination, tell stories, create community, and challenge assumptions. Courses are offered in performance, theory, history, design, and stagecraft. Emphasis is placed on theater’s fundamental connection to the liberal arts curriculum, as well as theater literacy, performance skills, respect for language, and an understanding of social/historical influences on drama. The aim is to develop imaginative theater practitioners who collaboratively solve problems of form and content with a passionate desire to express the human condition on stage.

Requirements for the Minor in Theater
The minor consists of five courses: Two courses from Theater 101, 104, 120, 130, 140, 145, 150; two courses from Theater 203, 209, 220, 225, 235, 240, 260, 270, 285, 305, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324; and one additional course in theater or dance.
Students must earn a grade of Credit or C- or better in order to have a course count toward the minor in theater.
Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Courses

An active introductory exploration of the nature of theater: how to think about it, how to look at it, how to make it. Students examine a range of theatrical ideas and conventions, see and reflect on live performance, and experience different approaches to making work. Designers, directors, performers, and scholars visit the class to broaden perspective and instigate experiments. Students work collaboratively throughout the semester to develop and perform original work.

Introduction to the language, theory, and practice of technical theater. Hands-on experience in lighting, scenic and property construction, costuming, and stage management. Considers the possibilities, demands, and limits inherent in different forms of performance and performance spaces, and explores the job roles integral to theater and dance production. Includes forty hours of laboratory work. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. (Same as Dance 104.)

Traces the development of dramatic form, character, and style from classical Greece through the Renaissance and Enlightenment to contemporary America and Africa. Explores the evolution of plot design, with special attention to the politics of playing, the shifting strategies of representing human agency, and contemporary relationships between the theater and a variety of forms of mass media. Authors may include Sophocles, Aristophanes, Marlowe, Shakespeare, Dryden, Ibsen, Wilde, Beckett, Mamet, and Churchill. (Same as English 106.)

115c. Bodywork for Performers. (Same as Dance 115 and Music 115.)

Introduces students to the physical, emotional, and intellectual challenge of the acting process. Voice and movement work, analysis of dramatic texts from an actor’s point of view, and improvisational exercises are used to provide students with a variety of methods for acting truthfully on stage.

An introduction to theatrical design that stimulates students to consider the world of a play, dance, or performance piece from a designer’s perspective. Through projects, readings, discussion, and critiques, students explore the fundamental principles of visual design, as they apply to set, lighting, and costume design, as well as text analysis for the designer, and the process of collaboration. Strong emphasis on perceptual, analytical, and communication skills. (Same as Dance 130.)

140c - VPA. Performance Art. (Same as Dance 140 and Visual Arts 175.)

For millennia, we have organized our fictions, our religions, our histories, and our own lives as narratives. However much the narrative form has been called into question in recent years, it seems we just cannot stop telling each other stories. Examines the particular nexus between narrative and performance: What is narrative? How does it work? What are its limits and its limitations? How do we communicate narrative in performance? Involves both critical inquiry and the creation of performance pieces based in text, dance, movement, and the visual image. (Same as Dance 145.)
150c - VPA. Improvisation. Every other year. Spring 2009. The Department.

Improvisation is a fundamental tool used by dancers, musicians, actors, writers, and other artists to explore the language of a medium and to develop new work. An interdisciplinary introduction to some of the primary forms of improvisation used in dance and theater. Content includes theater games, narrative exercises, contact improvisation, and choreographic structures. (Same as Dance 150.)

195c - VPA. Production and Performance. Every semester. The Department.

Engagement in the presentation of a full-length work for public performance with a faculty director or choreographer. Areas of concentration within the production may include design, including set, light, sound, or costume; rehearsal and performance of roles; service as assistant director or stage manager. In addition to fulfilling specific production responsibilities, students meet weekly to synthesize work. Students gain admission to Theater 195 either through audition (performers) or through advance consultation (designers, stage managers, and assistant directors). Students register for Theater 195 during the add/drop period at the beginning of each semester. Students are required to commit a minimum of six hours a week to rehearsal and production responsibilities over a period of seven to twelve weeks; specific time commitments depend upon the role the student is assuming in the production and the production schedule. Grading is Credit/D/Fail. One-half credit. May be repeated a maximum of four times for credit, earning a maximum of two credits. (Same as Dance 195.)

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

[203c - VPA. Women in Performance. (Same as Gay and Lesbian Studies 203 and Gender and Women’s Studies 203. )]


Examines A Midsummer Night’s Dream, The Merchant of Venice, Twelfth Night, As You Like It, The Winter’s Tale, and The Tempest in light of Renaissance genre theory. (Same as English 210.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Examines Hamlet, Othello, Macbeth, King Lear, Julius Caesar, Antony and Cleopatra, and Coriolanus in light of recent critical thought. Special attention is given to psychoanalysis, new historicism, and genre theory. (Same as English 211.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Explores the relationship of Richard III, 2 Henry VI, and the second tetralogy (Richard II, the two parts of Henry IV and Henry V) to the genre of English chronic play that flourished in the 1580s and 1590s. Readings in primary sources (More, Hall, and Holinshed) are supplemented by readings of critics (Tillyard, Kelly, Siegel, Greenblatt, Goldberg, etc.) concerned with locating Shakespeare’s own orientation toward questions of history and historical meaning. Regular screenings of BBC productions. (Same as English 212.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

An intermediate acting course focused on the link between language, thought, and feeling, with the goal of achieving full-mind-body engagement in the act of communication. Students work with poetry, plays, and other dramatic texts to encourage vocal, physical, and emotional freedom. Breathing exercises attune students to the physiological impulse to speak, while vocal exercises concentrate on developing increased range, strength, and color of expression. Interpretation is explored through close readings of texts. This course, along with Theater 225, Acting II: Physical Theater, is part of a two-semester course series. Theater 220 and 225 may be taken individually or in any order.

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater.


Explores the explosion of popular drama in London following the construction of the first permanent theaters in the 1560s. Pays special attention to the forms of drama that audiences liked best—those portraying revenge, marriage, middle-class ascendancy, and adultery. Topics include the cultural space of the theater, the structure of playing companies, and the cultivation of blank verse as a vehicle for theatrical expression. Students will master the styles of different playwrights, examine the topography of the Globe theater, and try out different staging techniques. Authors include Shakespeare, Thomas Kyd, Christopher Marlowe, Ben Jonson, and Thomas Middleton. (Same as English 223.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


Extends the principles of Acting I through a full semester of rigorous physical acting work focused on presence, energy, relaxation, alignment, and emotional freedom. Develops and brings the entire body to the act of being on stage through highly structured individual exercises and ensemble-oriented improvisational work. Scene work is explored through the movement-based acting disciplines of Lecoq, Grotowski, Meyerhold, or Viewpoints. Contemporary physical theater makers Théâtre de Complicité, Mabou Mines, SITI company, and Frantic Assembly are discussed. This course, along with Theater 220, Acting II: Voice and Text, is part of a two-semester course series. Theater 220 and 225 may be taken individually or in any order.

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater.


An overview of the development of the theater from the re-opening of the playhouses in 1660 to the end of the eighteenth century, with special emphasis on the emergence of new dramatic modes such as Restoration comedy, heroic tragedy, “she-tragedy,” sentimental comedy, and opera. Other topics include the legacy of Puritan anxieties about theatricality; the introduction of actresses on the professional stage; adaptations of Shakespeare on the Restoration and eighteenth-century stage; other sites of public performance, such as the masquerade and the scaffold; and the representation of theatricality in the eighteenth-century novel. (Same as English 230.)

Prerequisite: One first-year seminar or 100-level course in English.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.

Hybrid by nature, rebellious in spirit, performance rejects the boundaries and conventions of traditional theater and dance, combining and recombining these live forms with every other artistic mode and medium imaginable. Yet as the first decade of the new century draws to an end, so does the fifth decade of this “new” form. Is it still breaking boundaries, or has boundary-breaking itself become a convention? What, these days, is new about performance? Examines the genealogical roots of performance and studies the ways twenty-first-century performance is exploring the body, the mind, technology, intercultural aesthetics, and globalism. Students will enact critical inquiries in the creation of their own performance works. (Same as Dance 240.)

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater or dance.

[260c - VPA. Playwriting. (Same as English 214.)]


Introduces students to the major principles of play direction, including conceiving a production, script analysis, staging, casting, and rehearsing with actors. Students actively engage direct ing theories and techniques through collaborative class projects, and complete the course by conceiving, casting, rehearsing, and presenting short plays of their choosing. A final research and rehearsal portfolio is required.

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater or dance.


A senior theater seminar focusing on independent work. Advanced students creating capstone projects in playwriting, directing, acting, and design meet weekly as a group to critique, discuss, and present their work. Final performances are given at the end of the semester.

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater and one additional course in theater or dance, preferably at the 200 level.


Explores the dialectical relationship between aesthetics and politics in Renaissance England, with special attention to the ways that the courts of Elizabeth I and James I used poetry, painting, and various “entertainments” for political purposes. Approaches the court as site of power, an object of representation, and a center of patronage. Topics include the arts of perspective, the politics of courtly love, and the allegorical structures of the royal masque. Readings include poetry by Wyatt, Sidney, Shakespeare, and Lanyer as well as the spectacular royal masques of Ben Jonson and Inigo Jones, including The Masque of Blackness and Pleasure Reconciled to Virtue. Students will have an opportunity to design their own research projects tailored to their individual interests. (Same as English 317.)

Prerequisite: One 200-level course in English or permission of the instructor.

Note: This course fulfills the pre-1800 literature requirement for English majors.


An advanced acting class that explores issues of style. What is Tragedy? Farce? Melodrama? Commedia? Realism? The Absurd? Through research, analysis, and scene work in class, students become familiar with a range of theatrical idioms. Emphasis is placed on understanding the social/cultural needs that give rise to a particular style, and the way in which style is used in contemporary theater to support or subvert a text.

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater and one additional course in theater or dance, preferably at the 200 level.
321c. Comedy in Performance. Every third year. Fall 2010. DAVIS ROBINSON.

Looks at several facets of comedy on stage, from its origins in Greek and Roman theater to contemporary comic forms. Theory is combined with practical exercises in clowning, satire, physical comedy, wit, timing, phrasing, and partner work to develop a comic vocabulary for interpreting both scripted and original work. Students work in solos, duets, and groups to create final performance projects that are presented to the public at the end of the semester.

Prerequisite: One 100-level course in theater and one additional course in theater or dance, preferably at the 200 level.

322c. Ensemble: Theater and Dance Collaborative Creation. Fall 2009. SONJA MOSER and PAUL SARVIS.

Experienced theater and dance students collaborate to devise an original performance event. The course spans the entire process from conception to research, writing, staging, choreographing, and ultimately performing for the public. With emphasis on experimentation—and a process that includes dance and acting technique—the aim is to both embrace and transcend disciplinary traditions. (Same as Dance 322.)

Prerequisite: One 100-level and one 200-level course in theater or dance, or permission of the instructor.

323c. Acting Shakespeare: Tragedies and Comedies.


An acting course with emphasis on the theatrical use of verse and heightened language in Shakespeare’s histories and romances. Examines Elizabethan culture and its impact on Shakespeare’s writing. Issues of scansion, rhetorical devices, antithesis, punctuation, and First Folio work are addressed through vigorous voice and movement work. Culminates in a final outdoor performance at the end of the semester.

Prerequisite: Theater 220 or permission of the instructor.

325c. Viewing and Re-viewing Theater and Dance: Critical Perspectives on the Performing Arts. Every third year. Fall 2009. JUNE VAIL.

Investigates critical perspectives on the performing arts—drama, dance, and other theatrical media—and develops writing skills such as description, analysis, evaluation, and interpretation. Video, film, and live performances provide the basis for journalistic reviews and essays. Combines theory and practice in developing modes of reflexive critical response that acknowledge the participation of the observer in the creation of both event and commentary. (Same as Dance 321.)

Prerequisite: One full-credit course in dance or theater, or permission of the instructor.

401c–404c. Advanced Independent Study in Theater. THE DEPARTMENT.
The Bowdoin College Library has long been among the more distinguished liberal arts college libraries in the country, known for its outstanding book, journal, and manuscript collections. Today, the Library combines its constantly growing treasury of print material with a wealth of electronic resources, as well as instructional programs in their use.

The Library’s collections, developed over a period of 200 years, exceed one million volumes and include over 18,000 current print and electronic periodical and newspaper subscriptions, over 27,000 audiovisual items, 40,000 maps, over 35,000 photographs, more than 4,500 linear feet of manuscripts, and archival records. Approximately 14,000 volumes are added annually. Subscriptions to over 194 online indexes and databases provide access to thousands of full-text electronic books and journals and other information resources.

Library Resources and Services

The Library’s Web site (http://library.bowdoin.edu) serves as a central portal to online information: the Bowdoin library catalog, the catalog holdings of the Colby and Bates college libraries, and other libraries in Maine and throughout the world; electronic periodical indexes in a broad range of disciplines; the Library’s subscriptions to thousands of electronic full-text journals; electronic course reserve readings; and links to hundreds of additional e-text reference works and research collections. The Web site also provides links to the wealth of digital information available through the Internet, including text, audio, video, and image collections.

Librarians and faculty members work together to teach research skills and to encourage the use of library resources throughout the curriculum. Librarians provide an active instruction program, teaching students to develop effective research strategies and to identify, select, evaluate, and analyze information for course-related research and independent scholarship. All students receive information literacy instruction in their first-year seminars. Librarians also develop Web pages offering research strategies for specific courses and guides to resources for the major fields taught at Bowdoin.

Through an active interlibrary loan program, materials arrive daily from the library collections of Colby and Bates colleges, and from other libraries in Maine and beyond, often incorporating the use of high-speed electronic document delivery services. Through Maine Info Net and NExpress, catalogs of Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin, other Maine libraries, and selected libraries in New England are searchable simultaneously, and students and faculty can initiate their interlibrary loan requests online for materials held by libraries worldwide.

Library Branches and Collections

Hawthorne-Longfellow Library, the main library, houses humanities and social sciences materials, as well as the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections & Archives and a depository of federal and Maine State documents. The Library also includes four branch libraries: the Hatch Science Library, the William Pierce Art Library, the Robert Beckwith Music Library, and the Language Media Center. Notable collection strengths lie in British and American history, French and American literature, Arctic studies, Maine history and Maine writers, anti-slavery and the Civil War, World War I, and modern European history.
The **Hawthorne-Longfellow Library** building, which was opened in the fall of 1965, was expanded in 1985 to include five tiers of stacks and a reading room in Hubbard Hall, and was further remodeled in 1993–94. The building was completely renovated between 2001 and 2005 to provide new individual and group student learning spaces, a faculty research room, an information commons, increased network access, wireless connections throughout the building for laptop use, improved instructional facilities, and a modernized reading room in the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections & Archives.

A variety of new facilities support the integration of technology into teaching and learning. These include a computer laboratory; a twenty-five-seat electronic classroom for instruction in online resources and the use of general and instructional software; the USG Corporation Library Technology Seminar Room; and the Chandler Reading Room for literary events, lectures, and student presentations. The Library also collaborates with Information Technology specialists to support the integration of technology into the curriculum and research.

Complementing historical holdings in other parts of the library, the **Government Documents Collection** is a rich repository of resources source writings for over two hundred years of federal and state history. From its beginning, the Library actively acquired government publications, even prior to becoming a Congressionally designated depository in 1884 and thereby receiving free documents directly from the Government Printing Office. The Government Documents Collection has substantial holdings of nineteenth- and twentieth-century publications, containing both official ongoing series such as the *Congressional Record*, and such varied individual reports as railroad surveys of the West, nineteenth-century Maine geologic studies, 1930s Women’s Bureau pamphlets, hearings on the attack at Pearl Harbor, and NASA atlases. Since most current government documents are published digitally, the Library designs Web sites and uses the online catalog to maintain its tradition of providing access to government information for the Bowdoin community and all citizens of midcoast Maine.

The **George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections & Archives** includes rare books, manuscripts, photographs, maps, recordings, the College Archives, as well as the papers of Senator George J. Mitchell (Class of 1954). All of these research materials, described on the Web at [http://library.bowdoin.edu/arch](http://library.bowdoin.edu/arch), serve an important function in introducing undergraduates—in their research projects, class assignments, and other independent work—to the experience of performing original research and evaluating primary source materials, and they support faculty in their own research interests.

Collection highlights include the James Bowdoin and Benjamin Vaughan family libraries of early imprints; extensive published and manuscript materials by and about Nathaniel Hawthorne and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, both members of the Class of 1825; books, periodicals, and pamphlets of the French Revolution period; the double elephant-folio edition of John James Audubon’s *Birds of America*; E. S. Curtis’s *The North American Indian*; a broad representation of early American and early Maine imprints; the work of three distinguished Maine presses: the Mosher Press, the Southworth Press, and the Anthoensen Press; artists’ books by Maine artists; and the Maine Afro-American Archive, a depository for rare books, manuscripts, letters, and other works about slavery, abolitionism, and Afro-American life in Maine; and important collections of designer bookbindings and pop-up books.

Among the papers of Maine political figures are important collections related to Bowdoin alumni William Pitt Fessenden (Class of 1823) and Ralph Owen Brewster (Class of 1909). Special Collections also includes the Bliss collection of books on travel, French and British architecture, and the history of art, all housed in the Susan Dwight Bliss Room in Hubbard Hall, and the monumental “Flora of Maine” botanical drawings by Brunswick naturalist Kate Furbish.
Other manuscript collections include the papers of General Oliver Otis Howard (Class of 1850), director of the Freedmen’s Bureau; papers of prominent Bowdoin faculty and most of Bowdoin’s presidents, especially Jesse Appleton, Joshua L. Chamberlain, William DeWitt Hyde, and Kenneth Charles Morton Sills; and works by Kenneth Roberts, Robert Peter Tristram Coffin, Kate Douglas Wiggin, Edwin Arlington Robinson, Elijah Kellogg, and such contemporary writers as Vance Bourjaily, John Gould, Marguerite Yourcenar, and Hilton Kramer. Access to all of these collections is enhanced by descriptive information on the library’s Web site.

The Bowdoin College Archives, established in Special Collections through grants from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission and the Albert and Elaine Borchard Foundation, serves both as a repository for two centuries of the College’s historical records and as a vital information center for the campus and the larger scholarly community; students frequently incorporate archival material into their research.

The Hatch Science Library, opened in the spring of 1991, offers science-related materials, including print and electronic periodicals, microforms, maps, government documents, a wealth of electronic indexes, reference materials and other digital resources, as well as a full range of reference and instructional services to faculty and students. The building accommodates readers at individual carrels, study tables, informal seating areas, seminar rooms, and faculty studies.

The William Pierce Art Library and the Robert Beckwith Music Library, housing small departmental collections in art and music respectively, are located adjacent to the offices of those departments. The glass-wrapped Art Library provides an elevated view over the campus green and offers a strong collection of art books. The Music Library, which was renovated and expanded in 1994, offers a handsome study room with computer and listening stations, and houses scores, sound recordings, videos, and books about music. Both branch libraries serve as art and music research and study centers respectively.

The Language Media Center, located in Sills Hall, provides audio, video, and multimedia facilities to support the teaching of foreign languages and houses the major portion of the Library’s collection of audiovisual materials numbering over 9,000 titles, with special emphasis in the areas of foreign culture, second language acquisition, and film. It is equipped with playback stations for individual viewing of non-print materials, and fourteen networked computers supporting a variety of instructional software, including specialized word processing tools and desktop videoconferencing. The Center’s Web site provides links for students of both classical and modern languages to online resources that include streaming audio and video from international radio and television, links to online foreign language newspapers and magazines, and an annotated list of language-specific resources. Eleven foreign-language television stations received via satellite are directed to all classrooms, offices, common areas, and residence halls over the campus network.

Particular strengths of the Center are the support provided for the creation of multimedia presentation materials and the support of the film studies curriculum. The Center also offers a classroom for twenty that supports high-resolution display of multimedia presentations. The lobby provides a group area for language discussion groups and viewing of live foreign language television.

Library operations and the development of its collections and services are supported by the general funds of the College and by gifts from alumni, other friends of the Library and the College, and by foundations. In 1998, the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library was awarded a $500,000 Challenge Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities toward the building renovations completed in 2001, and to establish endowments for future purchases of
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information resources in the humanities. The Library benefits from the income of more than two hundred endowed gifts, and it also receives generous donations annually, both of library materials and of funds to support the immediate purchase of printed works and electronic resources that the Library would otherwise be unable to acquire.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE MUSEUM OF ART

The Bowdoin College Museum of Art, the cornerstone of the arts and culture at Bowdoin, reopened in October 2007 after a four-year renovation and expansion to better house and display its renowned collection. The earliest collegiate art collection in the nation, it came into being through the 1811 bequest of James Bowdoin III of 70 European paintings and a portfolio of 140 master drawings. Over the years, the collection has been expanded through the generosity of the Bowdoin family, alumni, and friends, and now numbers more than 15,000 paintings, sculpture, decorative objects, works on paper, and artifacts from prehistory to the present from civilizations around the world.

The Museum’s landmark Walker Art Building was commissioned for the College by Harriet and Sophia Walker in honor of their uncle, a Boston businessman who had supported the creation of the first small art gallery at Bowdoin in the mid-nineteenth century. The Walker sisters, encyclopedic collectors and supporters of art education, stipulated that the building be used exclusively for art. Designed by Charles Follen McKim of McKim, Mead and White, the building was completed in 1894 and is on the National Register of Historic Places. Its brick, limestone, and granite façade is based on Renaissance prototypes, with a dramatically shadowed loggia flanked by large lion sculptures upon which generations of Brunswick children have been photographed.

The antiquities collections contain over 1,800 Assyrian, Egyptian, Greek, Roman, and Byzantine objects and constitute one of the most comprehensive compilations of ancient art in any small college museum. European art includes paintings, illustrated manuscripts, sculptures, and decorative arts. Among twelve European Renaissance and Baroque paintings given in 1961 by the Kress Foundation is a panel depicting nymphs pursued by a youth that recently has been attributed to the young Fra Angelico. The works on paper collections of prints, drawings, and photographs is large and varied, numbering more than 8,000 works and representing artists from Rembrandt and Rubens through Callot, Goya, and Manet to Picasso and Warhol.

The Museum’s American collection includes an important grouping of colonial and Federal portraits, with, for example, seven major paintings by Gilbert Stuart, including the famous presidential portraits of Thomas Jefferson and James Madison, together with other works by Robert Feke, John Copley, Thomas Sully and Joseph Blackburn. Among other notable works are the murals commissioned by McKim to decorate the Museum’s rotunda by the four leading painters of the American Renaissance: Elihu Vedder, Kenyon Cox, Abbott Thayer, and John LaFarge. The collection also includes works by significant nineteenth- and twentieth-century artists such as Mary Cassatt, Thomas Eakins, John Sloan, Rockwell Kent, Marsden Hartley, and Andrew Wyeth, and an archive of artifacts and memorabilia from Winslow Homer’s Maine studio.

Non-western materials range from Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and Southeast Asian prints, ink paintings, sculpture, and decorative arts to modest but distinguished holdings of African, Pacific, Pre-Columbian, and Native American artifacts.

The recent renovation expanded galleries and other program spaces, and improved art storage facilities. The restored Museum retains the building’s iconic architectural features and provides state-of-the-art climate control and mechanical systems. A new, dramatic glass
and bronze entry pavilion houses a glass elevator and “floating” steel staircase, while a rear
addition to the building features an expansive glass curtain wall behind which the Museum
has installed its five celebrated ancient Assyrian relief sculptures.

The Museum, open to the public at no charge, is a teaching facility, with the core of its mission
to keep its rich collections within immediate reach of Bowdoin students, faculty, scholars,
and art lovers. Its active emphasis on the study of original objects as an integral part of the
Bowdoin curriculum makes the Museum the ultimate cross-disciplinary and multicultural
enterprise. Although online resources are no substitute for an actual visit, the collections can
be searched and information on Museum programs and publications found on the Web site
at www.bowdoin.edu/artmuseum.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Bowdoin places a strong emphasis on the role of technology in the academic program and
understands the vital importance of coherent and well-coordinated information systems. The
CIO leads an IT Division that designs, develops, deploys, and supports all of Bowdoin’s
academic and administrative systems.

IT staff work with faculty to enhance their teaching and research with innovative uses of
technology in their classrooms, labs, or online. They provide technical, design, editorial, and
project development opportunities for faculty and monitor trends in educational technology,
such as new techniques introduced by online education, the impact of technology on student
learning, and the evolving architectural standards for classrooms, educational products, and
resources. The creation of podcasts and digital videos is commonplace.

Additionally, IT staff provide secure personal e-mail accounts; gigabit Ethernet and wireless
Internet access in all residence rooms, offices, and public areas; video conferencing capability;
cable television; VoIP telephone systems; and voice mail. They also provide a full-time Help
Desk that supports Macintosh, Windows, or Linux computers and includes a student-run Help
Desk, plus a number of site-licensed software such as Microsoft Office Professional, ESRI’s
ArcGIS, and other specialized academic and administrative applications.

In addition to sixteen academic department computer labs, there are nine public labs
and more than two hundred publicly available computers. The labs are fully equipped with
Macintosh, Windows, or Linux computers.

JOSEPH MCKEEN CENTER FOR THE COMMON GOOD
Jointly administered by the offices of the Dean of Student Affairs and the Dean for Academic
Affairs, the McKeen Center for the Common Good provides opportunities for students,
faculty, and staff to engage in service and learning in local, national, and international venues.
The work of the Center in the context of the College’s commitment to the common good is
described in more detail on pages 296–97.
The Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum was founded in honor of two famous Arctic explorers and Bowdoin alumni, Admirals Robert E. Peary (Class of 1877) and Donald B. MacMillan (Class of 1898). On April 6, 1909, after a lifetime of Arctic exploration, Peary became the first person to reach the North Pole. MacMillan was a crew member on that North Pole expedition. Between 1908 and 1954, MacMillan explored Labrador, Baffin Island, Ellesmere Island, and Greenland. Most of his expeditions were made on board the Bowdoin, a schooner he designed for work in ice-laden northern waters. MacMillan took college students on the expeditions and introduced them to the natural history and anthropology of the North. He was not the first to involve Bowdoin students in Arctic exploration, however. In 1860, Paul A. Chadbourne, a professor of chemistry and natural history, had sailed along the Labrador and West Greenland coasts with students from Williams and Bowdoin.

The museum’s collections include equipment, paintings, and photographs relating to the history of Arctic exploration, natural history specimens, and artifacts and drawings made by Inuit and Indians of Arctic North America. The museum has large collections of ethnographic photographs and films recording past lifeways of Native Americans taken on the expeditions of MacMillan and Robert Bartlett, an explorer and captain who sailed northern waters for nearly fifty years. Diaries, logs, and correspondence relating to the museum’s collections are housed in the Special Collections section of the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library.

The museum, established in 1967, is located on the first floor of Hubbard Hall. The building was named for General Thomas Hubbard of the Class of 1857, a generous benefactor of the College and financial supporter of Peary’s Arctic ventures. The museum’s original galleries were designed by Ian M. White, former director of the Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco, who sailed with MacMillan in 1950. Generous donations from members of the Class of 1925, together with gifts from George B. Knox of the Class of 1929, a former trustee, and other interested alumni and friends, made the museum a reality. Continued support from friends of the College and the Kane Lodge Foundation, and federal and state grants have allowed the museum to continue to grow.

The Arctic Studies Center was established in 1985 as a result of a generous matching grant from the Russell and Janet Doubleday Foundation to endow the directorship of the center, in recognition of the Doubledays’ close relationship to MacMillan. The center links the resources of the museum and library with teaching and research efforts, and hosts lectures, workshops, and educational outreach projects. Through course offerings, field research programs, employment opportunities, and special events, the center promotes anthropological, archaeological, geological, and environmental investigations of the North.
The Bowdoin Pines
Adjacent to the campus on either side of the Bath Road is a 33-acre site known as the Bowdoin Pines. Cathedral white pines, some of them 135 years old, tower over the site, which is a rare example of one of Maine’s few remaining old-growth forests. For biology students, the Pines provides an easily accessible outdoor laboratory. For other students, the site offers a place for a walk between classes, an inspirational setting for creating art, or simply a bit of solitude. A system of trails within the Pines makes the site accessible to students and community members.

Bowdoin Scientific Station
The College maintains a scientific field station on Kent Island, off Grand Manan Island, in the Bay of Fundy, New Brunswick, Canada, where qualified students can conduct research in ecology, animal behavior, marine biology, botany, geology, and meteorology. The 200-acre island was presented to the College in 1935 by John Sterling Rockefeller. Since then, the field station has built an international reputation, with more than 150 publications based on research at Kent Island, many of them co-authored by Bowdoin students.

Kent Island is a major seabird breeding ground. Its location makes it a concentration point for migrating birds in spring and fall. The famous Fundy tides create excellent opportunities for the study of marine biology. The island also features a variety of terrestrial habitats. In 2005, the College acquired neighboring Hay and Sheep Islands to help preserve the unique environment offered by the Scientific Station.

Although formal courses are not offered at the station, students from Bowdoin and other institutions select problems for investigation on Kent Island during the summer and conduct independent field work with the advice and assistance of a faculty director. Students have the opportunity to collaborate with faculty members and graduate students from numerous universities and colleges. Three-day field trips to Kent Island are a feature of Bowdoin’s courses in ecology and ornithology.

Coastal Studies Center
The Coastal Studies Center occupies a 118-acre coastal site that is about twelve miles from the campus on Orr’s Island and known as Thalheimer Farm. The Center is devoted to interdisciplinary teaching and research in archaeology, marine biology, terrestrial ecology, ornithology, and geology.

The Center’s facilities include a marine biological laboratory with flowing seawater for laboratory observation of live marine organisms, a pier facility located on Harpswell Sound, and a terrestrial ecology laboratory, which serves as a field station for research and study of coastal ecology. These facilities play an active role in Bowdoin’s programs in biology, environmental studies, and geology, and the site has been widely used for studio art courses. In addition, the centrally located farmhouse provides seminar and kitchen facilities where classes from all disciplines can gather in a retreat-like atmosphere that encourages sustained, informal interaction among students and faculty members.

The Coastal Studies Center site is surrounded on three sides by the ocean and encompasses open fields, orchards, and old-growth spruce-fir forest. A 4.5-mile interpretive trail runs through the site, offering students and the local community a glimpse into the cultural and natural history of the property and surrounding coastal waters.
Coleman Farm

During the course of the academic year, students study ecology at a site three miles south of the campus, using an 83-acre tract of College-owned land that extends to a salt marsh and the sea. Numerous habitats of resident birds are found on the property, which is also a stopover point for many migratory species. Because of its proximity to campus, many students visit Coleman Farm for natural history walks, cross-country skiing, and other forms of recreation.

LECTURESHPES

The regular instruction of the College is supplemented each year by lectures, panel discussions, and other presentations sponsored by the various endowment funds, departments of study, and undergraduate organizations. As of June 30, 2008, these funds included:

  *John Warren Achorn Lectureship (1928):* The income of a fund established by Mrs. John Warren Achorn as a memorial to her husband, a member of the Class of 1879, is used for lectures on birds and bird life.

  *Charles F. Adams Lectureship (1978):* The income of a fund established by the bequest of Charles F. Adams ’12 is used to support a lectureship in political science and education.

  *Beecher-Stowe Family Memorial Fund (1994):* The income of a fund established as a memorial to Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of *Uncle Tom’s Cabin;* her husband, Calvin Ellis Stowe (Class of 1824), Elizabeth Collins Professor of Natural and Revealed Religion at the College from 1850 to 1852; and her brother, Charles Beecher (Class of 1834), by Harold Beecher Noyes, great-grandson of Charles Beecher, is used to support a lectureship addressed to “human rights and/or the social and religious significance of parables.”

  *Brodie Family Lecture Fund (1997):* Established by Theodore H. Brodie ’52, an overseer of the College from 1983 to 1995, this fund is used to bring to campus at least once a year a speaker of note in the field of education, to deliver a message on the subjects of problems and practices of teaching and learning.

  *Tom Cassidy Lectureship (1991):* The income of a fund established by the bequest of Thomas J. Cassidy ’72 and memorial gifts of his family, friends, and classmates is used to support a lectureship in journalism.

  *The Harold and Iris Chandler Lectureship Fund (2001):* Established by family and friends in memory of Dr. Harold L. Chandler of the Class of 1934, the income from this fund is used for lectures on the use of technology to enhance teaching and learning in the humanities and on the impact of educational technology on our society.

  *Dan E. Christie Mathematics Lecture Fund (1976):* Established by family, friends, colleagues, and former students in memory of Dan E. Christie ’37, a member of the faculty for thirty-three years and Wing Professor of Mathematics from 1965 until his death in 1975, this fund is used to support lectures, courses, or research in the field of mathematics.

  *Annie Talbot Cole Lectureship (1907):* This fund, established by Mrs. Calista S. Mayhew in memory of her niece, Mrs. Samuel Valentine Cole, is used to sponsor a lectureship that contributes “to the ennoblement and enrichment of life by standing for the idea that life is a glad opportunity. It shall, therefore, exhibit and endeavor to make attractive the highest ideals of character and conduct, and also, insofar as possible, foster an appreciation of the beautiful as revealed through nature, poetry, music, and the fine arts.”
Lectureships

John C. Donovan Lecture Fund (1990): Established by colleagues, friends, and members of the Donovan family, through the leadership of Shepard Lee ’47, this fund is used to support a lecture in the field of political science.

Corydon Dunham Open Forum Fund (2007): The annual income of the Fund, established by Corydon B. Dunham Jr. ’47, is used to educate students to the First Amendment values of Free Press and Free Speech, in the process promoting the sense of community and learning at the College through special speakers, courses, open forums, panel discussions, lectures, receptions, and other events underscoring the First Amendment values so vital to maintaining and nurturing an informed citizenry in a democratic society.

Elliott Oceanographic Fund (1973): Established by the Edward Elliott Foundation and members of the Elliott family in memory of Edward L. Elliott, a practicing geologist and mining engineer who expressed a lifelong interest in science and the sea, this fund promotes oceanographic education, in its widest definition, for Bowdoin students. Part of the fund may be used to support the Elliott Lectures in Oceanography, which were inaugurated in 1971.

Alfred E. Golz Lecture Fund (1970): Established by Ronald A. Golz ’56 in memory of his father, this fund is used to support a lecture by an eminent historian or humanitarian to be scheduled close to the November 21 birthday of Alfred E. Golz.

Cecil T. and Marion C. Holmes Mathematics Lecture Fund (1977): Established by friends, colleagues, and former students to honor Cecil T. Holmes, a member of the faculty for thirty-nine years and Wing Professor of Mathematics, this fund is used to support lectures, courses, or research in the field of mathematics.

Karofsky Faculty Encore Lectures (2000): Supported by the Karofsky Family Fund established by Peter S. Karofsky, M.D., ’62, Paul I. Karofsky ’66, and David M. Karofsky ’93 in 1992, the Karofsky Faculty Encore lectures feature one member of the Bowdoin faculty each semester who is selected by members of the senior class to speak at Common Hour.

Arnold D. Kates Lecture Fund (2000): Established by Mark B. Garnick, M.D., ’68, a Trustee of the College, and Dr. Barbara Kates-Garnick, this fund is used to support periodic lectures, seminars, or colloquia at Bowdoin on scientific topics, with a preference for topics in the biological sciences or aspects related to the health sciences.

Kibbe Science Lecture Fund (1994): This fund, established by Frank W. Kibbe ’37 and his wife Lucy K. Kibbe, is used to support lectures by visiting scholars on “topics deemed to be ‘on the cutting edge of’ or associated with new developments or research findings in the fields of Astronomy or Geology.”

Lesbian and Gay Lectureship Fund (1992): Established by members of the Bowdoin Gay and Lesbian Alumni/ae Association, this fund is used to sponsor at least one lecture annually in the field of gay and lesbian studies.

Mayhew Lecture Fund (1923): Established by Mrs. Calista S. Mayhew, this fund is used in part to provide lectures on bird life.

Charles Weston Pickard Lecture Fund (1961): The income of a fund established by John Coleman ’22 in memory of his grandfather, a member of the Class of 1857, is used to support lectures, courses, or research in the fields of journalism, communication, or public relations.
Kenneth V. Santagata Memorial Fund (1982): Established by family and friends of Kenneth V. Santagata ’73, this fund is used to provide one lecture each semester, rotating in the arts, humanities, and social sciences, with lecturers to be recognized authorities in their respective fields, to present new, novel, or nonconventional approaches to the designated topic in the specified category.

Edith Lansing Koon Sills Lecture Fund (1962): This fund was established by the Society of Bowdoin Women to honor Mrs. Kenneth C. M. Sills, the wife of a former president of Bowdoin College, and to sponsor lectures by outstanding women.

The Harry Spindel Memorial Lectureship (1977): Established by the gift of Rosalyne Spindel Bernstein H’97 and the late Sumner Thurman Bernstein in memory of her father, Harry Spindel, as a lasting testimony to his lifelong devotion to Jewish learning, this fund is used to support annual lectures in Judaic studies or contemporary Jewish affairs.

The Jasper Jacob Stahl Lectureship in the Humanities (1970): Established by the bequest of Jasper Jacob Stahl ’09, Litt.D. ’60, this fund is used “to support a series of lectures to be delivered annually at the College by some distinguished scholarly and gifted interpreter of the Art, Life, Letters, Philosophy, or Culture, in the broadest sense, of the Ancient Hebraic World, or of the Ancient Greek World or of the Roman World, or of the Renaissance in Italy and Europe, or of the Age of Elizabeth I in England, or that of Louis XIV and the Enlightenment in France, or of the era of Goethe in Germany.”

Tallman Lecture Fund (1928): Established by Frank G. Tallman, A.M. H’35, as a memorial to the Bowdoin members of his family, this fund is used to support visiting lecturers and visiting professors.

Phyllis Marshall Watson Fund (2000): Established by Cheryl McAuley and Sheila Marshall Walton in honor of their friend and sister, respectively. Income from the fund provides research support for honors candidates in the history department, and supports periodic lectures, seminars, or colloquia at Bowdoin on selected topics in history.
PERFORMING ARTS

Music

Music performance at Bowdoin ranges from student compositions to professional performances by visiting artists, and from solo recitals to large-scale performances for chorus and orchestra. Many ensembles, such as the Chamber Choir, World Music Ensemble, Middle Eastern Ensemble, Bowdoin Chorus, Concert Band, and Chamber and Jazz Ensembles are part of the curricular program. Other groups, such as the Polar Jazz Big Band and several a cappella vocal groups, are sponsored by students.

The Chamber Choir is a select group of approximately twenty-five to thirty singers that performs a wide variety of choral and soloistic music. Its repertoire in the past few years includes music by J.S. Bach, G.P. Palestrina, William Byrd, Eric Whitacre, Vineet Shende, Elliott Schwartz, Jean Sibelius, and Ralph Vaughan Williams, as well as Franz Schubert’s Mass in G with the Portland Symphony. Recent tours have taken the choir to Europe, South America, England, and Ireland, including a tour of Chile during the 2006 spring break. The Bowdoin Chorus is a choral ensemble composed of students, faculty, staff, and community members. The group toured Russia in 2002, has toured the east coast regularly each year, and will travel to Greece in summer 2009. The Chorus performs on campus with the Bowdoin Orchestra and combines with Down East Singers from time to time to form the Rachmaninoff Festival Choir. Recent performances by the Chorus include Ernest Bloch’s Sacred Service, Rachmaninoff’s Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Mozart’s Requiem, Haydn’s Heiligenmesse, Stravinsky’s Les Noces, Rutter’s Gloria, and Orff’s Trionfo di Afrodite.

The chamber music program at Bowdoin is large and lively, with forty or more students participating in ensembles that include wind quintets, brass quintets, string quartets, piano trios, and quartets, etc., playing both standard repertory and new music. The Bowdoin Orchestra performs with the Chorus and usually performs an orchestral selection on the same concert. The Concert Band performs a mixture of popular and serious works, including some written especially for them.

Contemporary music receives considerable emphasis at Bowdoin. There are frequent visits by guest composers and the Chamber Choir and Band often perform new music. Student compositions can be heard on campus, and students who complete an honors thesis in composition can often have their music professionally performed. The guest artist series often includes jazz greats like pianists Kenny Barron, Brad Mehldau, and Renée Rosnes.

Other visiting artists in recent years have included Mark O’Connor; the Renée Rosnes Quartet; the Lydian String Quartet; the Publick Musick; the Guangzhou (China) Symphony Orchestra; the Eroica Trio; the Ying Quartet; and Kurt Ollmann ’77. In addition to performing, the artists often teach master classes and hold discussions with students.

Bowdoin owns a collection of orchestral and band instruments and more than twenty grand pianos available for use by students studying and performing music. There are also sizeable collections of early instruments, Asian instruments, and drums from a variety of world traditions. Soloists and ensembles perform in a number of halls venues on campus, including the new Studzinski Recital Hall and Kanbar Auditorium, the Tillotson Room in Gibson Hall, Kresge Auditorium, Pickard Theater, and the Chapel, which houses a forty-five-rank Austin organ and a small Cooper Tracker organ. Private instruction is available in piano, organ, harpsichord, voice, guitar, and all the major orchestral instruments.
Dance

The dance curriculum in the Department of Theater and Dance evolved from the Bowdoin Dance Program, which was founded in 1971 and soon developed academic courses. Each year, the department presents two major concerts of student- and faculty-choreographed works: one in December and one in April. Students also perform at Parents Weekend in the fall and at the Museum of Art in May and in additional informal showings. Performances are strongly linked to participation in technique, repertory, and choreography classes, but independent work and choreography by student clubs are also presented. A recent repertory concert incorporated the sculptural work of visiting faculty and Bowdoin alumnus Wade Kavanaugh, in a set created by the use of wooden I-beams, constantly shifting through different dances. Departmental student projects are presented with the generous support of the Ray Rutan Fund for the Performing Arts.

Student-run dance groups often perform as part of Bowdoin Dance Group concerts and in other shows on and off campus; they represent genres as diverse as hip-hop, ballet, ballroom, tap, break dance, capoeira, and African American step dancing.

Dance concerts are presented in the Dance Studios, Pickard Theater, Wish Theater, and the Museum of Art, as well as in unconventional spaces such as the David Saul Smith Union, the squash courts, or outdoors on the Quad. The renovation of Memorial Hall in 2000 provides a beautiful dance studio with skylights and a sprung wooden floor, in addition to the Sargent studio, as well as a new state-of-the-art flexible theater designed for both theater and dance.

Besides student and faculty performances, the department sponsors visits by nationally known dance companies, choreographers, and critics for teaching residencies and performances. A partial list includes Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble, Art Bridgman and Myrna Packer, Merce Cunningham, David Dorfman Dance, Douglas Dunn, Meredith Monk, Mark Morris, Pilobolus, Kei Takei, Doug Varone, Trisha Brown Company, David Parker and the Bang Group, Susan Marshall Dance Company, Deborah Hay, Urban Bush Women, and lectures by dance writers Susan Foster, Jill Johnston, Laura Shapiro, and Marcia B. Seigel. These professionals teach master classes and offer lecture-demonstrations as part of their visits to campus, and sometimes are commissioned to create choreography especially for the Bowdoin dancers. In recent years, the Alice Cooper Morse Fund for the Performing Arts has brought numerous artists to campus both for public performance and for classroom workshops, including classical Indian dance and the Seattle-based dance company 33 Fainting Spells, and international choreographer/performers Susanne Martin and Bronja Novak.

Theater

The theater component of the Department of Theater and Dance evolved from the student performance group Masque and Gown, which was founded in 1903. In the mid-1990s an academic curriculum in theater was developed, combining courses and departmental productions, and Masque and Gown became an independent student organization with continued ties to the department. The department annually presents numerous plays and events, directed or created by faculty and by students, ranging from new plays to performance art to Shakespeare. Recent departmental offerings have included faculty-directed productions of Suzan-Lori Parks’ 365 Days/365 Plays, Rodgers and Hart’s Babes in Arms, Thornton Wilder’s The Skin of Our Teeth, Henrik Ibsen’s An Enemy of the People, The Water Project (an original
production conceived by SITI Company member J. Ed Araiza), George S. Kaufman’s *Merton of the Movies*, and Tony Kushner’s *Angels in America*. Recent student-directed projects have included an adaptation of Pedro Juan Soto’s short story collection *Spiks*, Tom Stoppard’s *Arcadia*, *Six Characters in Search of an Author*, *The Laramie Project*, *The Day of the Song* (an original adaptation of a contemporary Italian play), *The Glass Menagerie* with film and live actors, *The Bald Soprano* in French, original student plays, and an English/Theater honors production of *Henry V*.

The department also presents a range of performances, workshops, and lecture/demonstrations by visiting artists. Past guests include award-winning playwrights Suzan-Lori Parks, Tony Kushner, Tom Stoppard, and Holly Hughes; actress/writer Anna Deavere-Smith; actress/SITI Company associate artistic director Ellen Lauren; Obie award-winning performance artists Spalding Gray, Dan Hurlin, and Paul Zaloom; and international touring artists such as Wakka Wakka Productions, Jacques Bourgaux, The Condors, Bunrakumass, and Javanese puppeteer Joko Susilo. Student projects and guest artists are funded in part by the generous support of the Ray Rutan Fund and the Alice Cooper Morse Fund for the Performing Arts.

Memorial Hall, a striking gothic-style granite and stained glass memorial to Bowdoin’s Civil War veterans, was completed in 1882 and houses the College’s main theater and dance performance spaces. Pickard Theater, the generous gift of Frederick William Pickard, LL.D., in 1955, includes a 600-seat theater with proscenium stage equipped with a full fly system and computer lighting. Major renovations of Memorial Hall, completed in 2000, include a complete remodeling of the main theater; construction of the 150-seat, flexible Wish Theater, made possible by an extraordinary gift from Barry N. Wish ’63 and Oblio Wish; and new seminar rooms, expanded rehearsal space, and a new dance studio.
A residential college adds significantly to the education of students when it provides the opportunity for a distinctive and dynamic learning community to develop. In such a community, Bowdoin students are encouraged, both directly and indirectly, to engage actively in a quest for knowledge both inside and outside the classroom, and to take responsibility for themselves, for others, and for their community. They are challenged to grow personally by constant contact with new experiences and different ways of viewing the world. Simultaneously, they are supported and encouraged by friends, faculty, staff, and other community members and find opportunities for spontaneous as well as structured activities. Such a community promotes the intellectual and personal growth of individuals and encourages mutual understanding and respect in the context of diversity.

The programs and services provided by the Division of Student Affairs exist to support students and the College in developing and maintaining the learning community. Staff throughout the Division of Student Affairs assist students with their studies, their leadership and social growth, their well-being, and their future. The Bowdoin College Student Handbook online provides comprehensive information about student life and the programs and services of the Division of Student Affairs. Additional information is available on the Bowdoin College Web site: http://www.bowdoin.edu.

THE ACADEMIC HONOR AND SOCIAL CODES

The success of the Academic Honor Code and Social Code requires the active commitment of the College community. Since 1964, with revisions in 1977 and 1993, the community pledge of personal academic integrity has formed the basis for academic and social conduct at Bowdoin. The institution assumes that all Bowdoin students possess the attributes implied in the codes. Bowdoin College expects its students to be responsible for their behavior on and off the campus and to assure the same behavior of their guests.

The Academic Honor Code plays a central role in the intellectual life at Bowdoin College. Students and faculty are obligated to ensure its success. Uncompromised intellectual inquiry lies at the heart of a liberal education. Integrity is essential in creating an academic environment dedicated to the development of independent modes of learning, analysis, judgment, and expression. Academic dishonesty is antithetical to the College’s institutional values and constitutes a violation of the Honor Code.

The Social Code describes certain rights and responsibilities of Bowdoin College students. While it imposes no specific morality on students, the College requires certain standards of behavior to secure the safety of the College community and ensure that the campus remains a center of intellectual engagement.

Individuals who suspect violations of the Academic Honor Code and/or Social Code should not attempt to resolve the issues independently, but are encouraged to refer their concerns to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. The college reserves the right to impose sanctions on students who violate these codes on or off campus. A thorough description of the Academic Honor Code, the Social Code, and the disciplinary process is included in the Bowdoin College Student Handbook online.
RESIDENTIAL LIFE

The Office of Residential Life is responsible for the management of the residential life program, support for the College House System, and the maintenance of a healthy and safe community. These responsibilities include planning educational and social programs; connecting students with support networks and resources on campus; mediating conflicts between students as they arise; intervening in crisis situations; and providing a direct administrative link between College House leaders, the Office of Residential Life, and the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

The Office of Safety and Security provides 24-hour service and protection to the Bowdoin community. They are committed to keeping Bowdoin one of the safest campuses in the country, with their primary focus being the health and safety of the student body. The campus is patrolled by uniformed officers in vehicles, on foot, and on bicycle. The 24-hour communications center answers emergency and routine calls for service and monitors an extensive network of security cameras and life safety alarm systems. Security staff can be reached at:

- Emergencies - Ext. 3500 or 725-3500
- Non-Emergencies - Ext. 3314 or 725-3314
- Business - Ext. 3458 or 725-3458

Comprehensive information about the Office of Safety and Security is available online at www.bowdoin.edu/security, and in the Bowdoin College Student Handbook online.

BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Bowdoin Student Government was reformed in Spring 2002 to create a structure that permits flexibility and encourages more members to take on leadership roles. Student Government consists of twenty-six students, including a president and five vice presidents elected by the student body, two elected representatives from each class, the president of the Inter-House Council, the treasurer (chair of the Student Activities Fee Committee), a representative from each College House, and four members chosen by the president and vice presidents through an interview process in which all students are eligible to apply. Each vice president has specific oversight responsibility for a particular area of student government. The fundamental goal of Bowdoin Student Government remains to be an effective force for the presentation of student opinion to the faculty and the administration.

This reform of Bowdoin Student Government was made in order to achieve the following goals:

1. To improve student access to members of Student Government.
2. To promote efficiency through the use of small groups and the sharing of responsibility.
3. To improve communications and coordination between the various elements of Student Government.
4. To create an accessible and dynamic forum in which student issues and concerns can be raised and debated.

The full text of the revised Bowdoin Student Government Constitution is in the Bowdoin College Student Handbook online.
STUDENT ACTIVITIES

More than eighty clubs and organizations present an array of programs, services, and activities for the College community and important extra and co-curricular leadership opportunities for students. Membership in these organizations is open to all students. Among the oldest groups are the Bowdoin Bugle (yearbook), the Outing Club, the Orient (campus newspaper), and Masque and Gown (a student-run dramatic organization). Between five and ten new student organizations or clubs are formed each year. For a complete list and description of student organizations, please consult the Student Activities Web site: www.bowdoin.edu/student-activities.

The David Saul Smith Union, which houses the Student Activities Office, exemplifies a small neighborhood block by providing services, conveniences, amenities, programs, and activities for the Bowdoin College community. It is not just a campus center; it is a venue for lectures, concerts, dances, and information, and a place that responds to the needs of all members of the College community.

The Smith Union contains the Campus Information Desk, the Student Activities Office, a game room/recreation area, Jack Magee’s Grill, a TV room, student organizations resource room, student mailboxes, the campus mail center, and several lounges. Also located in the Union are the campus bookstore, the Café, and the convenience store.

JOSEPH MCKEEN CENTER FOR THE COMMON GOOD

At the opening of Bowdoin College in 1802, President Joseph McKeen declared that

…literary institutions are founded and endowed for the common good, and not for the private advantage of those who resort to them for education. It is not that they may be enabled to pass through life in an easy or reputable manner, but that their mental powers may be cultivated and improved for the benefit of society. If it be true, that no man should live to himself, we may safely assert, that every man who has been aided by a public institution to acquire an education, and to qualify himself for usefulness, is under peculiar obligations to exert his talents for the public good.

Encouraging students to live up to McKeen’s vision is a central mission of the College as a whole, and the Joseph McKeen Center for the Common Good has the responsibility to initiate, support, coordinate, and acknowledge efforts across the campus to achieve this aspiration. The College and the Center have the special challenge to enable students to discover the ways in which their unique talents, passions, and academic pursuits can be used for the “benefit of society.”

Although housed in Banister Hall, the McKeen Center supports work that takes place across the campus, in local communities, and at selected locations around the world. The Center assists student-led volunteer organizations that provide service to the local community through activities such as mentoring, visiting with senior citizens, volunteering at the local homeless shelter, and working with immigrant populations in nearby Portland. Fostering student initiative and leadership, the Center provides opportunities for students to propose and lead alternative spring break trips that connect their peers with community organizations in places ranging from Mississippi and Washington, D.C., to Guatemala and Peru. The McKeen Center also encourages students to reflect upon their public engagement and connect these experiences to curricular and vocational interests. In coordination with other departments, the Center administers summer fellowships for students interested in non-profit internships.
and provides grants for international service. It assists students in finding community partners with whom to engage in community-connected independent research and honors projects and helps identify courses at the College that provide context for the issues students address through their community work. The McKeen Center assists faculty in developing and teaching community-based courses that take students out of the classroom to conduct interviews, record oral histories, build Web sites, develop curriculum for schools, and collect scientific data in conjunction with community partners.

The Center also encourages and helps sponsor campus-wide events that challenge students, faculty, and staff to examine the varied meanings of public service and the “common good.” These events include an annual series of symposia or lectures on “Seeking the Common Good” and the annual Common Good Day, a day of service that connects the Bowdoin campus to the local community.

ATHLETICS

Bowdoin is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), sponsoring one of the largest athletic programs in the country. Intercollegiate teams compete on the Division III level. In Division III, financial aid is need-based. The athletic experience is a wonderful complement to students’ academic experience.

The College is a charter member of the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC), an eleven-member league of similar schools committed to academic excellence and athletics with the student-athlete’s best interests at heart. NESCAC includes Amherst, Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, Connecticut College, Hamilton, Middlebury, Trinity, Tufts, Wesleyan, and Williams. These schools are also linked in efforts to provide safe, productive environments for students to learn and grow while engaging in rigorous academic pursuits.

NESCAC Statement Regarding Alcohol

In addition to being partners in athletic competition, the eleven colleges and universities comprising the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) are united in efforts to provide safe environments in which students may mature intellectually and socially.

Recognizing that social life plays a role in the college experience, each campus has increased its efforts to encourage students to make responsible choices. Each school takes a strong stand against substance abuse, including alcohol. While the vast majority of students at NESCAC institutions who choose to drink alcohol do so responsibly, each school has disciplinary and educational programs in place for students who misuse alcohol and other substances.

Additionally, all of the member schools expressly prohibit hazing.

Intercollegiate and Club Programs

Bowdoin’s athletic program complements students’ academic experience and encourages participation by maximizing the number and variety of athletic opportunities in varsity, club, and intramural sports. Over thirty intercollegiate teams, three levels of intramural competition in ten sports, and over twenty physical education courses are all a part of the athletic program. The scheduling of practice and intercollegiate contests is planned to minimize conflict with the scheduling of classes, laboratories, or other academic exercises. If and when conflicts do occur, students are responsible for consulting with their instructors well in advance. Excusing students from academic obligations may occur solely at the discretion of the faculty.
Bowdoin gives equal emphasis to men’s and women’s sports, and the desired quality of competition is similar in all sports. The following intercollegiate and club programs are available to men and women. (Junior varsity teams may be available in some sports depending on participation and opportunities for competition.)

**Men:** Baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, ice hockey, lacrosse, rowing, rugby, skiing, soccer, squash, swimming, tennis, track (winter and spring), volleyball, water polo.

**Women:** Basketball, cross country, field hockey, golf, ice hockey, lacrosse, rowing, rugby, skiing, soccer, softball, squash, swimming, tennis, track (winter and spring), volleyball, water polo.

**Coed:** Sailing, equestrian, ultimate frisbee.

**Coaching and Athletic Facilities**
Bowdoin supports students in their efforts to reach high levels of performance by providing them with first-class coaching, superior facilities, and appropriate competitive opportunities with students from within NESCAC and in New England.

Bowdoin’s coaches are excellent resources for students, providing athletic guidance and instruction, and personal and academic support and encouragement. Coaches focus on skill development, teamwork, the pursuit of individual and team excellence, the values of fair play, and the development of important leadership skills.

Students are encouraged to use the athletic facilities for recreational or free play. Seasonal schedules and schedule changes are posted on gymnasium and field house bulletin boards. Intercollegiate teams, classes, and intramurals have priority in the use of these facilities.

The facilities include Morrell and Sargent gymnasiums; the Dayton Ice Hockey Arena and the new Watson Arena (to open January 2009); the Sidney Watson Fitness Center (a new center for fitness, health, and wellness will open in August 2009); a multipurpose aerobics room; 8 hard court tennis courts; a 400-meter, 6–lane outdoor track; Farley Field House, which houses a 6–lane, 200–meter track and four regulation tennis courts; Greason Pool, a 16–lane, 114–foot by 75–foot swimming pool with two 1–meter and one 3–meter diving boards; the Lubin Family Squash Center with 7 international squash courts; 35 acres of playing fields; the Howard F. Ryan Astroturf Field; and locker room and training room facilities.

**Physical Education**
The Athletic Department offers an instructional program in a variety of activities utilizing campus and off-campus facilities. These activities have been selected to provide the entire on-campus Bowdoin community (students, faculty, and staff) with the opportunity to receive basic instruction in various exercises and leisure–time activities in the hope that these activities will become lifelong commitments. The program will vary from year to year to meet the interests of the Bowdoin community.

**BOWDOIN OUTING CLUB AND SCHWARTZ OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP CENTER**
The Bowdoin Outing Club (BOC) offers students the opportunity to explore the outdoors that surround the campus and the natural wonders throughout the state. Not just for extremists, the BOC coordinates trips for all comfort levels, experiences, and ambitions, and boasts more than 300 members. Student leaders in the BOC plan more than 100 excursions a year.
that focus on hiking, sea and white-water kayaking, canoeing, Telemark skiing, and rafting. The Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, the 5,300-square-foot campus headquarters for the BOC, contains a large inventory of outdoor gear for student use. Staffed by three full-time professionals, the BOC offers instructional classes and professional certification in white-water paddling and Telemark skiing, and through the Leadership Training Program, prepares students to lead their peers in group expeditions.

**QUEER/TRANS RESOURCE CENTER**

The Queer/Trans Resource Center (QTRC) provides support, resources, safe space and education for Bowdoin College students identifying as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or queer. The Center director serves openly gay students, as well as those in all stages of the coming out process, and provides education and outreach about LGBT issues to the larger Bowdoin community. Student organizations such as the Bowdoin Queer Straight Alliance (BQSA) and Q, a queer literary magazine, are advised by the director of the QTRC. Additional offerings include OUTweek, GAYpril, a weekly dinner series for queer and questioning students, and a monthly dinner discussion for men. The Center also maintains a resource library that includes materials from Gay and Lesbian Studies courses, classic and contemporary gay fiction and non-fiction, DVDs, CDs and current LGBT-themed periodicals.

**WOMEN’S RESOURCE CENTER**

The Women’s Resource Center (WRC) is a welcoming and comfortable place for students to meet and study. It is located at the corner of Coffin and College streets (24 College Street) and shares the building with the Gender and Women’s Studies Program. The WRC sponsors speakers, gatherings, workshops, and discussions, many of which draw together students, faculty, staff, and community members. It also sponsors off-campus trips to selected conferences and events. The WRC houses a resource collection of books and current periodicals on women’s and gender issues. Readings for Gender and Women’s Studies courses are often held on reserve at the WRC for students to use in the building. The WRC publishes a newsletter, **WomeNews**, jointly with the Gender and Women’s Studies program and posts current information about news and events on and off campus. The WRC’s Web site posts contact information, an up-to-date listing of events, links to other resources at Bowdoin, and information on WRC history.

**BOWDOIN CAREER PLANNING**

Bowdoin Career Planning complements the academic mission of the College. One goal is to introduce students to the process of career planning, which includes self-assessment, career exploration, goal setting, and the development of an effective job search strategy. Students are encouraged to visit Bowdoin Career Planning early in their college years for counseling and information on internships and summer jobs. The staff assists seniors and recent graduates in their transition to work or graduate study and prepares them to make future career decisions.

A dedicated, professionally trained staff is available for individual career counseling. Workshops and presentations provide assistance in identifying marketable skills, writing resumes, preparing for interviews, networking, using the Internet as a job search tool, and
refining job-hunting techniques. Alumni panel discussions and informational meetings throughout the year are designed to broaden students’ awareness of their post-graduate career options and to enhance their understanding of the job market. Programming and advising related to graduate and professional school study are offered as well. In counseling style and program content, Bowdoin Career Planning addresses the needs of students realizing that they have diverse interests, values, and expectations.

Each year, nearly 80 private sector and non-profit employers and 100 graduate and professional schools participate in Bowdoin’s program. An additional 60 employers participate in interviewing consortia in Boston and New York City. The office maintains a comprehensive Web site; houses informational materials on nearly 1,000 summer, semester, and January internships; and provides access to over 2,000 online job leads and nearly 7,000 internship listings through participation in the Liberal Arts Career Network and experience.com. In addition, Bowdoin Career Planning uses cutting-edge technology to manage job leads and target outreach to students. The office also has a database with directory information on over 1.7 million organizations in the United States.

Bowdoin Career Planning continually updates an extensive alumni/ae advisory network and a resource library located on the first floor of the Moulton Union. Weekly industry e-newsletters publicize events and programs in addition to featuring internship, fellowship, and job opportunities.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ADVISING

The Office of Health Professions Advising provides students and recent graduates information and guidance regarding a wide range of opportunities in healthcare. First-year students interested in the health professions are encouraged to attend an introductory meeting during orientation. The office sponsors panel discussions with healthcare providers, presentations by admissions officers, and a variety of workshops throughout the year to inform all students of their options and of the requirements for entry into each field. The director is available to meet with students in scheduled appointments. Assistance is offered with such issues as the selection of courses, the pursuit of relevant experience outside the classroom, and the application process.

Advisory networks of healthcare professionals in the Brunswick area and of alumni/ae in the health professions nationwide afford opportunity for career exploration, and the Health Professions Advising Web site contains links to many professional associations. A variety of books and directories are available in both the Office of Health Professions Advising and in Bowdoin Career Planning. For further information, see the office’s Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/healthprofessions.

HEALTH SERVICES

The Dudley Coe Health Center, Ext. 3770, offers primary and acute care services to students while classes are in session. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except Wednesdays when office hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 2:00 p.m. Students are seen by appointment. Acute care needs can usually be scheduled for the same day. Gynecological services, comprehensive physical exams, and travel medicine consultations may be scheduled a week or two out.
The Health Center is a fully equipped primary care medical office. It is staffed by board-certified physician assistants and nurse practitioners, a registered nurse, and contracted physicians.

Emergency and after hours coverage is provided through two local hospitals. Mid Coast Hospital (207-729-0181) and Parkview Hospital (207-373-2000) both operate 24-hour, fully-staffed emergency rooms and in-patient care facilities. Security will arrange for transportation when needed, and can be reached at Ext. 3314.

The Health Center also serves as an international travel immunization center for the State of Maine, providing consultation in travel medicine and vaccinations, including yellow fever. These services are offered to Bowdoin students, faculty, and staff, as well as to the community at large. To schedule a travel clinic appointment, please call Ext. 3770.

Most primary and acute care services offered to students at the Health Center are covered by general College fees. Questions about covered services, medical claims, and insurance issues may be referred to the Student Health Insurance Coordinator at Ext. 4284.

The staff of Student Health Services is committed to promoting the health and well being of the Bowdoin College community through the provision of quality primary and acute care and educational outreach services. Our approach is comprehensive, holistic, and personally attentive, and emphasizes health promotion, disease prevention, and individual self-advocacy. Our goal is to foster wellness, in the broadest sense, within the College community as a whole, and for every individual student in particular. We are happy to discuss any health-related issues with students, and to offer support and resources to health-promoting groups on campus.

COUNSELING SERVICE

The Counseling Service is staffed by experienced mental health professionals (psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, counselors) who are dedicated to helping students resolve personal, social, and academic difficulties and maximize their psychological and intellectual potential. During the course of a typical academic year, approximately 20 percent of Bowdoin students take advantage of the opportunity to work individually with a counselor. Counseling staff members assist students who have concerns such as anxiety, depression, academic pressure, family conflicts, roommate problems, alcohol and drug abuse, sexual assault, eating disorders, intimate relationships, and many other matters. Counselors also conduct programs and workshops for the Bowdoin community and consult with campus peer support/education groups. Psychiatric medication consultations are also available. The Counseling Service maintains a particularly strong commitment to enhancing multicultural awareness and dialogue within an increasingly diverse community and to providing mind/body stress reduction programs such as yoga, Tai Chi, Chi Gong, and meditation.

Students may schedule counseling appointments by calling 725–3145 or stopping by the office in person. Regular hours are Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For student concerns requiring immediate attention, an emergency hour is available each weekday from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. After hours and on weekends, students may reach an on-call counselor for emergency consultation by calling Security (Ext. 3500). The Counseling Service does not provide services to students during College vacation periods. Information disclosed by a student to his or her counselor is subject to strict confidentiality. The Counseling Service offices are located at 32 College Street.
Alumni and Community Organizations

Alumni Association

The purpose of the Bowdoin College Alumni Association is "to further the well-being of the College and its alumni by stimulating the interest of its members in the College and in each other through the conduct of programs by and for alumni, and by encouraging the efforts of its members in programs that promote the Common Good.” Membership is open to former students who during a minimum of one semester’s residence earned at least one academic credit toward a degree and whose class has graduated, to those holding Bowdoin degrees, and to anyone elected to membership by the Alumni Council. The general management of the Association is vested in the Alumni Council.

Alumni Council

Officer: Gail A. Berson ’75, president. Elected and appointed members of the Alumni Council are listed on pages 356–57.

Alumni Council Awards

Alumni Service Award: First established in 1932 as the Alumni Achievement Award and renamed the Alumni Service Award in 1953, this award is made annually to the person whose volunteer services to Bowdoin, in the opinion of alumni, as expressed by the Alumni Council, most deserve recognition.

Alumni Award for Faculty and Staff: Established in 1963, this award is presented every other year “for service and devotion to Bowdoin, recognizing that the College in a larger sense includes both students and alumni.”

Distinguished Educator Award: Established in 1964, this award is presented every other year to recognize outstanding achievement in the field of education by a Bowdoin alumnus or alumna, except alumni who are members of the Bowdoin faculty and staff.

Foot Soldier of Bowdoin Award: Established in 1999 through the generosity of David Z. Webster ’57, this award is presented annually to one who exemplifies the role of a foot soldier of Bowdoin through his or her work for the development programs, BASIC, and/or other alumni programs during the prior year. In addition to an award, a scholarship is awarded each year in the name of the award-winner to a deserving Bowdoin undergraduate.

Polar Bear Awards: Established in 1999, these awards, up to six of which may be awarded annually, recognize significant personal contributions and outstanding dedication to Bowdoin. The award honors a record of service rather than a single act or achievement.

Young Alumni Service Award: Established in 1999, these awards, up to two of which may be awarded annually, recognize distinguished and outstanding service to Bowdoin among members of the ten youngest classes. The award honors a record of service rather than a single act or achievement.

Club Volunteer of the Year Award: Established in 2004, this award recognizes a club volunteer who has demonstrated enthusiasm, initiative, and outstanding execution and achievement during the preceding academic year.
Bowdoin Magazine
Established in 1927, Bowdoin magazine is published four times a year and contains articles of general interest about the College and its alumni. It is sent without charge to all alumni, seniors, parents of current students and recent graduates, faculty and staff members, and various friends of the College. For more information about the magazine, please visit our Web site at www.bowdoin.edu/bowdoinmagazine.

Bowdoin Alumni Schools and Interviewing Committees (BASIC)
BASIC is a volunteer association of approximately 1,700 alumni in the United States and several foreign countries. These volunteers assist the Admissions Office in the identification and evaluation of candidates. BASIC volunteers interview applicants in their home areas, represent the College at local “college fair” programs, and, in general, serve as a link between high schools, prospective students, and the College.

Alumni Fund
The Bowdoin Alumni Fund seeks to raise unrestricted financial support for the College’s educational programs and other student-related services on an annual basis. All gifts to the Alumni Fund are for current operational expenses and play a significant role in maintaining a balanced budget. Since the Fund’s inception in 1869, Bowdoin alumni have consistently demonstrated a high level of annual support, enabling the College to preserve and enhance the Bowdoin experience.

Chair: Bruce P. Shaw ’74.

Alumni Fund Awards
Leon W. Babcock Plate: Presented to the College in 1980 by William L. Babcock Jr. ’69, and his wife, Suzanne, in honor of his grandfather, Leon W. Babcock ’17, it is awarded annually to the class making the largest dollar contribution to the Alumni Fund.

Alumni Fund Cup: Awarded annually since 1932, the Alumni Fund Cup recognizes the Reunion Class making the largest contribution to the Alumni Fund, unless that Reunion Class wins the Babcock Plate; in that event, the cup is awarded to the non-Reunion Class making the largest contribution.

Class of 1916 Bowl: Presented to the College by the Class of 1916, it is awarded annually to the class whose record in the Alumni Fund shows the greatest improvement over its performance of the preceding year.

Class of 1929 Trophy: Presented by the Class of 1929 in 1963, it is awarded annually to that one of the ten youngest classes attaining the highest percentage of participation.

Robert Seaver Edwards Trophy: Awarded annually to that one of the ten youngest classes raising the most money for the Fund, this trophy honors the memory of Robert Seaver Edwards, Class of 1900.

Fund Directors’ Trophy: Established in 1972 by the directors of the Alumni Fund, the trophy is awarded annually to the class that, in the opinion of the directors, achieved an outstanding performance not acknowledged by any other trophy.

Harry K. Warren Trophy: Awarded annually beginning in 1998, the Harry K. Warren Trophy recognizes the two Reunion classes achieving the highest percentage of participation.
Robert M. Cross Awards: Established by the directors of the Alumni Fund in 1990, the Robert M. Cross Awards are awarded annually to those class agents whose outstanding performance, hard work, and loyalty to Bowdoin, as personified by Robert M. Cross ’45 during his many years of association with the Fund, are deserving of special recognition.

The Class of 1976 Trophy: Established in 2004, the Class of 1976 Trophy is awarded each year to the class whose associate agent or team of volunteers deserve special recognition for energy, creativity, and leadership in a non-reunion year.

$1,000,000 Club: Established by the Alumni Fund directors, the $1,000,000 Club recognizes each class that has passed the $1,000,000 figure during an Alumni Fund year.

$250,000 Club: Established by the Alumni Fund directors in 2001, the $250,000 Club recognizes each class that has passed the $250,000 figure during an Alumni Fund year.

Society of Bowdoin Women

The Society of Bowdoin Women was formed in 1922 to provide “an organization in which those with a common bond of Bowdoin loyalty may, by becoming better acquainted with the College and with each other, work together to serve the College.”

Today, the Society of Bowdoin Women Advisory Board continues to consult in the administration of four endowment funds. The Edith Lansing Koon Sills Lecture Fund, established in 1961, is used to sponsor cultural, career, and literary speakers. The Society of Bowdoin Women Foundation, created in 1924, provided resources for the College’s general use. With the inception of coeducation at Bowdoin in 1971, the Society decided to restrict the funds to provide annual scholarships to qualified women students and renamed it the Society of Bowdoin Women Scholarship Foundation. The Society of Bowdoin Women Athletic Award, established in 1978, recognizes effort, cooperation, and sportsmanship by a senior member of a women’s varsity team. The Dorothy Haythorn Collins Award, created in 1985, honors a junior student exemplifying overall excellence and outstanding performance in his or her chosen field of study.

Advisory Board: Kimberly Labbe Mills ’82, O. Jeanne d’Arc Mayo, Joan R. Shepherd.

Association of Bowdoin Friends

Founded in 1984, the Association of Bowdoin Friends is a group of approximately 1,500 midcoast-area residents who share an interest in the well-being of the College. Its mission states “the association strengthens the relationship between Bowdoin and the community, affording members the opportunity to support and engage in the life of the College.” Some members are alumni or otherwise have direct ties to the College, while most are simply interested members of the community. Members regularly attend lectures, concerts, performances, and special events on campus, and some audit classes. Activities sponsored by the Friends include receptions and dinners held in conjunction with College events, large and small book discussion groups, and field trips of local interest. Through the Friends Fund, many members choose to support the College library, museums, athletics, and music and performing arts programs.

Bowdoin Friends are also invited to become involved in the Host Family Program. Administered by the Office of Residential Life, the Host Family Program pairs local families with international students, teaching fellows, and visiting faculty, as well as interested first-year students, easing the transition to College life and fostering lasting friendships. Through this program, international students and faculty are offered a taste of American life and culture.
Individual membership is $40.00. Household membership starts at $55.00 for two people; and $5.00 for each additional member of household. Benefits of membership include receipt of a bi-weekly calendar of events, free classified advertising on the Bowdoin Web site, discounts to many campus performances, free library borrowing privileges, a 15% discount at the Bowdoin Bookstore, and discounts at the museum shops.


Host Family Program liaison: Jeanne Clampitt; Steering Committee chair: Jeanne d’Arc Mayo; Sara Smith, administrative secretary.
Summer Programs

Bowdoin College summer programs provide an opportunity for a variety of people to enjoy the College’s facilities and to benefit from the expertise of Bowdoin faculty and staff during the nonacademic portion of the year. Summer programs consist of educational seminars, professional conferences, sports clinics, specialized workshops, and occasional social events that are appropriate to the College’s overall mission as an educational institution and as a member of the Maine community.

The longest-running summer program involving members of the Bowdoin faculty and the longest-running summer program in its area of study in the United States is the Infrared Spectroscopy Course. Initiated at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1950, the program moved to Bowdoin in 1972. Over three thousand scientists have come to campus to work with many of the original staff.

Upward Bound, which began at Bowdoin in 1965, is one of over five hundred similar programs hosted by educational institutions across the country. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, these programs are intended to provide low-income high school students with the skills and motivation necessary for success in higher education.

Founded in 1964, and separately incorporated in 1998, the Bowdoin International Music Festival comprises a music school, several concert series, and the Festival of Contemporary Music. Approximately two hundred gifted performers in their teens and twenties from more than twenty countries participate each summer in a concentrated six-week program of instrumental, chamber music, and composition studies with a faculty composed of teacher-performers from the world’s leading conservatories.

Each year additional camps are offered by members of the athletic staff in baseball, diving, tennis, basketball, field hockey, lacrosse, squash, soccer, swimming, and track. A day camp for children entering grades 2–9 is based in Farley Field House, and an art camp for youth is held in Bowdoin’s Visual Arts Center.

In addition to the three long-term programs described above, other programs brought to campus by Bowdoin faculty, staff, and outside associations attract several thousand people to the College each summer.

Persons interested in holding a conference at Bowdoin should contact the Office of Events and Summer Programs, which schedules all summer activities and coordinates dining, overnight accommodations, meeting space, audiovisual services, and other amenities. For more information on camps, workshops, and conferences, visit the Web site at http://www.bowdoin.edu/events/summerprograms.
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Asian Studies

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Coastal Studies

Michael J. Kolster, Chair; Connie Y. Chiang, Guillermo E. Herrera, DeWitt John, Susan A. Kaplan, Edward P. Laine, Peter D. Lea, John Lichter, Sarah F. McMahon, and James J. Mullen.

Environmental Studies


Gay and Lesbian Studies

Aviva J. Briefel, Chair; Susan E. Bell, David Collings, Peter M. Coviello, Pamela M. Fletcher, Guy Mark Foster, and Celeste Goodridge.

Gender and Women’s Studies

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Latin American Studies

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Awards listed in the Catalogue are endowed prizes and distinctions or, in a few cases, annually funded departmental or academic program awards. In addition, there are numerous fellowships, national awards, and prizes from other organizations that are given annually or frequently to students who meet the criteria for distinction. Each year, awards received are listed in the Commencement Program, the Sarah and James Bowdoin Day Program, and the Honors Day Program.

**The Bowdoin Prize:** This fund was established as a memorial to William John Curtis 1875, LL.D. ’13, by his wife and children. The prize, four-fifths of the total income not to exceed $10,000, is to be awarded “once in each five years to the graduate or former member of the College, or member of its faculty at the time of the award, who shall have made during the period the most distinctive contribution in any field of human endeavor. The prize shall only be awarded to one who shall, in the judgment of the committee of award, be recognized as having won national and not merely local distinction, or who, in the judgment of the committee, is fairly entitled to be so recognized.” (1928)

The first award was made in 1933 and the most recent in 2005. The recipients in 1990 were Professors Dana W. Mayo and Samuel S. Butcher. The award was presented in 1995 to Senator George J. Mitchell ’54, and in 2000 to former Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen ’62. In May 2005, the Bowdoin Prize was presented to Thomas R. Pickering ’53, who holds the personal rank of career ambassador, the highest designation in the U.S. Foreign Service, and who served as U.S. ambassador and representative to the United Nations from 1989 to 1992.

**The Preservation of Freedom Fund:** Gordon S. Hargraves ’19 established this fund to stimulate understanding and appreciation of the rights and freedoms of the individual, guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States. The prize is to be awarded to a student, member of the faculty, or group of Bowdoin alumni making an outstanding contribution to the understanding and advancement of human freedoms and the duty of the individual to protect and strengthen these freedoms at all times. (1988)

The first award was made in 1988 to William B. Whiteside, Frank Munsey Professor of History Emeritus. The most recent recipient of the award, in 2003, was Christopher R. Hill ’74, Assistant United States Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; former Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, Poland, and Macedonia; former director for Southeast European Affairs at the National Security Council; special envoy for the Kosovo crisis; and distinguished career diplomat and peace negotiator.

**The Common Good Award:** Established on the occasion of the Bicentennial, the Common Good Award honors those alumni who have demonstrated an extraordinary, profound, and sustained commitment to the common good, in the interest of society, with conspicuous disregard for personal gain in wealth or status. Seven Common Good Awards were presented during the bicentennial year and one or two awards are presented each year at Reunion Convocation.
PRIZES IN GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP

Abraxas Award: An engraved pewter plate is awarded to the school sending two or more graduates to the College, whose representatives maintain the highest standing during their first year. This award was established by the Abraxas Society, a Bowdoin junior class society that was active from 1893 until 1922. The award is now given by Bowdoin College. (1915)

Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars (Dean’s List): Sarah and James Bowdoin Day accords recognition to undergraduates who have distinguished themselves in scholarship. Originally named in honor of the earliest patron of the College, James Bowdoin III, and instituted in 1941, the day now also honors James Bowdoin’s wife, Sarah Bowdoin Dearborn, for her interest in and contributions to the College. The exercises consist of the announcement of awards, the presentation of books, a response by an undergraduate, and an address.

The Sarah and James Bowdoin scholarships, carrying no stipend, are awarded in the fall on the basis of work completed the previous academic year. The award is given to the twenty percent of all eligible students with the highest grade point average (GPA). Eligible students are those who completed the equivalent of eight full-credit Bowdoin courses during the academic year, six credits of which were graded and seven credits of which were graded or non-elective Credit/D/Fail. In other words, among the eight required full-credit courses or the equivalent, a maximum of two credits may be taken Credit/D/Fail, but only one credit may be for a course(s) the student chose to take Credit/D/Fail. Grades for courses taken in excess of eight credits are included in the GPA. For further information on the College’s method for computing GPA, consult the section on General Honors on page 34.

A book, bearing a replica of the early College bookplate serving to distinguish the James Bowdoin Collection in the library, is presented to every Sarah and James Bowdoin scholar who earned a GPA of 4.00.

Brooks-Nixon Prize Fund: The annual income of a fund established by Percy Willis Brooks 1890 and Mary Marshall Brooks is awarded each year as a prize to the best Bowdoin candidate for selection as a Rhodes scholar. (1975)

Dorothy Haythorn Collins Award: This award, given by Dorothy Haythorn Collins and her family to the Society of Bowdoin Women, is used to honor a student “who has achieved academic and general excellence in his or her chosen major” at the end of the junior year. Each year the society selects a department from the sciences, social studies, and/or humanities. The selected departments choose a student to honor by purchasing books and placing them with a nameplate in the department library. The students also receive a book and certificate of merit. (1985)

Almon Goodwin Phi Beta Kappa Prize Fund: This fund was established by Mrs. Maud Wilder Goodwin in memory of her husband, Almon Goodwin 1862. The annual income is awarded to a member of Phi Beta Kappa chosen by vote of the Board of Trustees of the College at the end of the recipient’s junior year. (1906)

George Wood McArthur Prize: This fund was bequeathed by Almira L. McArthur, of Saco, in memory of her husband, George Wood McArthur 1893. The annual income is awarded as a prize to that member of the graduating class who, coming to Bowdoin as the recipient of a prematriculation scholarship, shall have attained the highest academic standing among such recipients within the class. (1950)
**Phi Beta Kappa:** The Phi Beta Kappa Society, national honorary fraternity for the recognition and promotion of scholarship, was founded at the College of William and Mary in 1776. The Bowdoin chapter (Alpha of Maine), the sixth in order of establishment, was founded in 1825. Election is based primarily on scholarly achievement, and consideration is given to the student’s entire college record. Students who have studied away are expected to have a total academic record, as well as a Bowdoin record, that meets the standards for election. Nominations are made three times a year, usually in September, February, and May. The total number of students selected in any year does not normally exceed ten percent of the number graduating in May. Students elected to Phi Beta Kappa are expected to be persons of integrity and good moral character. Candidates must have completed at least twenty-four semester courses of college work, including at least sixteen courses at Bowdoin.

**Leonard A. Pierce Memorial Prize:** This prize, established by friends and associates of Leonard A. Pierce 1905, A.M. H’30, LL.D. ‘55, is awarded annually to that member of the graduating class who is continuing his or her education in an accredited law school and who attained the highest scholastic average during his or her years in college. It is paid to the recipient upon enrollment in law school. (1960)

**COMMENCEMENT PRIZES**

**DeAlva Stanwood Alexander Prize:** Established by DeAlva Stanwood Alexander 1870, A.M. 1873, LL.D. 1907, this fund furnishes two prizes for excellence in select declamation. (1906)

**Class of 1868 Prize:** Contributed by the Class of 1868, this prize is awarded for a written and spoken oration by a member of the senior class. (1868)

**Goodwin Commencement Prize:** Established by the Reverend Daniel Raynes Goodwin 1832, A.M. 1835, D.D. 1853, the prize is awarded for a written or oral presentation at Commencement. (1882)

**DEPARTMENTAL PRIZES**

**Africana Studies**

**Lennox Foundation Book Prize:** This fund was established by the Lennox Foundation and Jeffrey C. Norris ’86. An appropriate book is awarded to a student graduating in Africana studies. (1990)

**Art History and Visual Arts**

**Anne Bartlett Lewis Memorial Fund:** This fund was established by Anne Bartlett Lewis’s husband, Henry Lewis, and her children, William H. Hannaford, David Hannaford, and Anne D. Hannaford. The annual income of the fund is used for demonstrations of excellence in art history and creative visual arts by two students enrolled as majors in the Department of Art. (1981)

**Art History Junior-Year Prize:** This prize, funded annually by a donor wishing to remain anonymous, is awarded to those students judged by the Department of Art to have achieved the highest distinction in the major program in art history and criticism at the end of the junior year. (1979)
Prizes and Distinctions

Art History Senior-Year Prize: This prize, established by a donor wishing to remain anonymous, is awarded to one or more graduating seniors judged by the Department of Art to have achieved the highest distinction in the major in art history and criticism. (1982)

Richard P. Martel Jr. Memorial Fund: A prize is awarded annually to those students who, in the judgment of the studio art faculty, are deemed to have produced the most creative, perceptive, proficient, and visually appealing art work exhibited at the College during the academic year. (1990)

Biochemistry

John L. Howland Book Award in Biochemistry: This award, which was established in honor of John L. Howland, Josiah Little Professor of Natural Sciences and Professor of Biology and Biochemistry Emeritus and a member of the Bowdoin faculty from 1963 to 2002, who founded the Biochemistry Program at Bowdoin in 1971, is given each year to a student who has achieved academic and general excellence in the biochemistry program at the end of the junior year. (2005)

Biology

Copeland-Gross Biology Prize: This prize, named in honor of Manton Copeland and Alfred Otto Gross, Sc.D. ’52, both former Josiah Little Professors of Natural Science, is awarded to that graduating senior who has best exemplified the idea of a liberal education during the major program in biology. (1972)

Donald and Harriet S. Macomber Prize in Biology: This fund was established by Dr. and Mrs. Donald Macomber in appreciation for the many contributions of Bowdoin in the education of members of their family, David H. Macomber ’39, Peter B. Macomber ’47, Robert A. Zottoli ’60, David H. Macomber Jr. ’67, Steven J. Zottoli ’69, and Michael C. Macomber ’73. The income of the fund is to be awarded annually as a prize to the outstanding student or students in the Department of Biology. If, in the opinion of the department, in any given year there is no student deemed worthy of this award, the award may be withheld and the income for that year added to the principal of the fund. (1967)

James Malcolm Moulton Prize in Biology: This fund was established by former students and other friends in honor of James Malcolm Moulton, former George Lincoln Skolfield Jr., Professor of Biology, to provide a book prize to be awarded annually to the outstanding junior majoring in biology, as judged by scholarship and interest in biology. At the discretion of the Department of Biology, this award may be made to more than one student or to none in a given year. (1984)

Chemistry

Samuel Kamerling Award: This award, established by the Department of Chemistry in memory of Professor Samuel Kamerling, recognizes truly exceptional work in the organic chemistry laboratory program.

Philip Weston Meserve Fund: This prize, established in memory of Professor Philip Weston Meserve ’11, is awarded to a junior chemistry or biochemistry major and is intended to “stimulate interest in Chemistry.” (1941)

William Campbell Root Award: This award, established in honor of Professor William Root, recognizes a senior chemistry major who has provided service and support to chemistry at Bowdoin beyond the normal academic program.
Prizes and Distinctions

Classics

**Hannibal Hamlin Emery Latin Prize:** This prize, established in honor of her uncle, Hannibal Hamlin Emery 1874, by Persis E. Mason, is awarded to a member of the junior or senior class for proficiency in Latin. (1922)

**Nathan Goold Prize:** This prize, established by Abba Goold Woolson, of Portland, in memory of her grandfather, is awarded to that member of the senior class who has, throughout the college course, attained the highest standing in Greek and Latin studies. (1922)

**J. B. Sewall Greek Prize:** This prize, given by Jotham Bradbury Sewall 1848, S.T.D. 1902, formerly professor of Greek at the College, is awarded to the member of the sophomore class who sustains the best examination in Greek. (1879)

**J. B. Sewall Latin Prize:** This prize, also given by Professor Sewall, is awarded to the member of the sophomore class who sustains the best examination in Latin. (1879)

Computer Science

**Computer Science Senior-Year Prize:** This prize is awarded to a senior or seniors judged by the Department of Computer Science to have achieved the highest distinction in the major program in computer science.

Economics

**Paul H. Douglas Prize:** This prize, awarded by the Department of Economics each spring in honor of Paul H. Douglas '13, a respected labor economist and United States Senator, recognizes juniors who show outstanding promise in scholarship in economics.

**Noyes Political Economy Prize:** This prize, established by Crosby Stuart Noyes, A.M. H1887, is awarded to the best scholar in political economy. (1897)

English

**Philip Henry Brown Prizes:** Two prizes from the annual income of a fund established by Philip Greely Brown 1877, A.M. 1892, in memory of Philip Henry Brown 1851, A.M. 1854, are offered to members of the senior class for excellence in extemporaneous English composition. (1874)

**Hawthorne Prize:** The income of a fund given in memory of Robert Peter Tristram Coffin '15, Litt.D. '30, Pierce Professor of Literature, and in memory of the original founders of the Hawthorne Prize, Nora Archibald Smith and Kate Douglas Wiggin, Litt.D. 1904, is awarded each year to the author of the best short story. This competition is open to members of the sophomore, junior, and senior classes. (1903)

**Nathalie Walker Llewellyn Commencement Poetry Prize:** This prize, established by and named for the widow of Dr. Paul Andrew Walker '31, is awarded to the Bowdoin student who, in the opinion of the Department of English, shall have submitted the best work of original poetry. The prize may take the form of an engraved medal, an appropriate book, or a cash award. (1990)

**Poetry Prize:** The annual income of a fund established by Gian Raoul d’Este-Palmieri II '26 is given annually for the best poem written by an undergraduate. (1926)

**Pray English Prize:** A prize given by Dr. Thomas Jefferson Worcester Pray 1844 is awarded to the best scholar in English literature and original English composition. (1889)
Prizes and Distinctions

Forbes Rickard Jr. Poetry Prize: A prize, given by a group of alumni of the Bowdoin chapter of Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity in memory of Forbes Rickard Jr. ’17, who lost his life in the service of his country, is awarded to the undergraduate writing the best poem. (1919)

David Sewall Premium: This prize is awarded to a member of the first-year class for excellence in English composition. (1795)

Mary B. Sinkinson Short Story Prize: A prize, established by John Hudson Sinkinson 1902 in memory of his wife, Mary Burnett Sinkinson, is awarded each year for the best short story written by a member of the junior or senior class. (1961)

Bertram Louis Smith Jr. Prize: The annual income of a fund established by his father in memory of Bertram Louis Smith Jr., of the Class of 1903, to encourage excellence of work in English literature is awarded by the department to a member of the junior class who has completed two years’ work in English literature. Ordinarily, the prize is given to a student majoring in English, and performance of major work as well as record in courses is taken into consideration. (1925)

Environmental Studies

Academic Award in Environmental Studies: This prize is awarded to a graduating senior who has achieved outstanding academic distinction in the completion of the environmental studies coordinate major.

Community Service Award in Environmental Studies: This prize is awarded to a graduating student majoring in environmental studies who has demonstrated exemplary service to the College and the broader community.

Geology

Geology Book Award: This award is given annually to one first- or second-year student from each of the introductory geology courses for exceptional class performance including creative contributions to the class project.

Arthur M. Hussey II Prize in Geology: This prize, established by his colleagues in honor of Arthur M. Hussey II, professor of geology, is awarded annually for an outstanding research project by a senior majoring in geology, with preference for field projects undertaken in Maine. The award recognizes Professor Hussey’s lasting contributions to the Department of Geology, notably his ability to inspire students through geological field work. (2000)

German

The German Consular Prize in Literary Interpretation: This prize was initiated by the German Consulate, from whom the winner receives a certificate of merit and a book prize, in addition to a small financial prize to be awarded from the income of the fund. The prize is awarded annually to the senior German major who wins a competition requiring superior skills in literary interpretation. (1986)

The Old Broad Bay Prizes in Reading German: The income from a fund given by Jasper J. Stahl ’09, Litt.D. ’60, and by others is awarded to students who, in the judgment of the department, have profited especially from their instruction in German. The fund was established as a living memorial to those remembered and unremembered men and women from the valley of the Rhine who in the eighteenth century founded the first German settlement in Maine at Broad Bay, now Waldoboro. (1964)
Prizes and Distinctions

Government and Legal Studies

_Philoo Sherman Bennett Prize Fund:_ This fund was established by William Jennings Bryan from trust funds of the estate of Philo Sherman Bennett, of New Haven, Connecticut. The income is used for a prize for the best essay discussing the principles of free government. Competition is open to seniors. (1905)

_Jefferson Davis Award:_ A prize consisting of the annual income of a fund is awarded to the student excelling in constitutional law or government. (1973)

History

_Dr. Samuel and Rose A. Bernstein Prize for Excellence in the Study of European History:_ This prize, given by Roger K. Berle ’64, is awarded annually to that student who has achieved excellence in the study of European history. (1989)

_James E. Bland History Prize:_ The income of a fund established by colleagues and friends of James E. Bland, a member of Bowdoin’s Department of History from 1969 to 1974, is awarded to the Bowdoin undergraduate, chosen by the history department, who has presented the best history honors project not recognized by any other prize at the College. (1989)

_Class of 1875 Prize in American History:_ A prize established by William John Curtis 1875, LL.D. ’13, is awarded to the student who writes the best essay and passes the best examination on some assigned subject in American history. (1901)

_Sherman David Spector of the Class of 1950 Award in History:_ Established by Sherman David Spector ’50, this award is made to a graduating senior history major who has attained the highest cumulative average in his/her history courses, or to the highest-ranking senior engaged in writing an honors paper or a research essay in history. (1995)

Latin American Studies

_Latin American Studies Prize:_ This prize is awarded to a graduating Latin American studies major who, in the judgment of the Latin American Studies Committee, has achieved academic distinction and has contributed to an understanding of the region.

Mathematics

_Edward Sanford Hammond Mathematics Prize:_ A book is awarded on recommendation of the Department of Mathematics to a graduating senior who is completing a major in mathematics with distinction. Any balance of the income from the fund may be used to purchase books for the department. The prize honors the memory of Edward S. Hammond, for many years Wing Professor of Mathematics, and was established by his former students at the time of his retirement. (1963)

_Smyth Mathematical Prize:_ This prize, established by Henry Jewett Furber 1861 in honor of Professor William Smyth, is given to that student in each sophomore class who obtains the highest grades in mathematics courses during the first two years. The prize is awarded by the faculty of the Department of Mathematics, which will take into consideration both the number of mathematics courses taken and the level of difficulty of those courses in determining the recipient. The successful candidate receives one-third of the prize at the time the award is made. The remaining two-thirds is paid to him or her in installments at the close of each term during junior and senior years. If a vacancy occurs during those years, the income of the prize goes to the member of the winner’s class who has been designated as the alternate recipient by the department. (1876)
Prizes and Distinctions

Music

*Sue Winchell Burnett Music Prize:* This prize, established by Mrs. Rebecca P. Bradley in memory of Mrs. Sue Winchell Burnett, is awarded upon recommendation of the Department of Music to that member of the senior class who has majored in music and has made the most significant contribution to music while a student at Bowdoin. If two students make an equally significant contribution, the prize will be divided equally between them. (1963)

Natural Science

*Sumner Increase Kimball Prize:* This prize, established by Sumner Increase Kimball 1855, Sc.D. 1891, is awarded to that member of the senior class who has “shown the most ability and originality in the field of the Natural Sciences.” (1923)

Neuroscience

*Munno Neuroscience Prize:* This prize, established by David W. Munno ’99, is awarded for excellence in research by a student majoring in neuroscience. (2000)

Philosophy

*Philip W. Cummings Philosophy Prize:* This prize, established by Gerard L. Dubé ’55 in memory of his friend and classmate, is awarded to the most deserving student in the Department of Philosophy. (1984)

Physics

*Edwin Herbert Hall Prize in Physics Fund:* The annual income of this fund, named in honor of Edwin Herbert Hall 1875, A.M. 1878, LL.D. 1905, the discoverer of the Hall effect, is awarded each year to the best sophomore scholar in the field of physics. (1953)

*Noel C. Little Prize in Experimental Physics:* This prize, named in honor of Noel C. Little ’17, Sc.D. ’67, professor of physics and Josiah Little Professor of Natural Science, is awarded to a graduating senior who has distinguished himself or herself in experimental physics. (1968)

Psychology

*Frederic Peter Amstutz Memorial Prize Fund:* This prize, established in memory of Frederic Peter Amstutz ’85 by members of his family, is awarded to a graduating senior who has achieved distinction as a psychology major. (1986)

Religion

*Edgar Oakes Achorn Prize Fund:* The income of a fund established by Edgar Oakes Achorn 1881 is awarded as a prize for the best essay written by a member of the second- or first-year classes in Religion 101. (1932)

*Lea Ruth Thumim Biblical Literature Prize:* This prize, established by Carl Thumim in memory of his wife, Lea Ruth Thumim, is awarded each year by the Department of Religion to the best scholar in biblical literature. (1959)

Romance Languages

*Philip C. Bradley Spanish Prize:* This prize, established by classmates and friends in memory of Philip C. Bradley ’66, is awarded to outstanding students in Spanish language and literature. (1982)
Goodwin French Prize: This prize, established by the Reverend Daniel Raynes Goodwin 1832, A.M. 1835, D.D. 1853, is awarded to the best scholar in French. (1890)

Eaton Leith French Prize: The annual income of a fund, established by James M. Fawcett III ’58 in honor of Eaton Leith, professor of Romance languages, is awarded to that member of the sophomore or junior class who, by his or her proficiency and scholarship, achieves outstanding results in the study of French literature. (1962)

Charles Harold Livingston Honors Prize in French: This prize, established by former students and friends of Charles Harold Livingston, Longfellow Professor of Romance Languages, upon the occasion of his retirement, is awarded to encourage independent scholarship in the form of honors theses in French. (1956)

Sophomore Prize in Spanish: This prize, established by the Department of Romance Languages, is awarded each year to the most promising sophomore who has declared a major in Spanish.

Russian

Russian Prize: This prize, established by Professor of Russian Jane Knox-Voina, is awarded to a graduating senior who has achieved distinction as a Russian major. (2003)

Sociology and Anthropology

Distinguished Community Service Award: This prize, established by the department and by Sports for Hunger, an organization dedicated to organizing athletes to alleviate hunger in the United States and abroad, is awarded to the student majoring or minoring in sociology or anthropology who demonstrates outstanding leadership in community service and in furthering the principles of social justice. (2003)

David I. Kertzer Prize in Sociology and Anthropology: This prize is awarded each year for the best senior paper in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. The award is funded through the John W. Riley Jr. and Matilda White Riley Sociology Fund and is given in honor of David Kertzer, a former professor in the department. (2003)

Matilda White Riley Prize in Sociology and Anthropology: This prize, established through a gift from distinguished sociologist John W. Riley ’30, Sc.D. ’72, honors Matilda White Riley, Sc.D. ’72, Daniel B. Fayerweather Professor of Political Economy and Sociology, who established the joint Department of Sociology and Anthropology and a tradition of teaching through sociological research. It is awarded for an outstanding research project by a major. (1987)

Elbridge Sibley Sociology Prize Fund: Established by Milton M. Gordon ’39, the prize is awarded to the member of the senior class majoring in sociology or anthropology who has the highest general scholastic average in the class at the midpoint of each academic year. (1989)

Theater and Dance

Bowdoin Dance Group Award: An appropriate, inscribed dance memento is awarded annually to an outstanding senior for contributions of dedicated work, good will, and talent, over the course of his or her Bowdoin career, in the lively, imaginative spirit of the Class of 1975, the first graduating class of Bowdoin dancers. (1988)
Prizes and Distinctions

*Abraham Goldberg Prize:* Established by Abraham Goldberg, this prize is awarded annually to that member of the senior class who, in the opinion of a faculty committee headed by the director of theater, has shown, in plays presented at the College during the two years preceding the date of award, the most skill in the art of designing or directing. (1960)

*Alice Merrill Mitchell Prize:* This prize, established by Wilmot Brookings Mitchell 1890, A.M. 1907, L.H.D. ’38, Edward Little Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory, in memory of his wife, Alice Merrill Mitchell, is awarded annually to that member of the senior class who, in the opinion of a faculty committee headed by the director of theater, has shown, in plays presented at the College during the two years preceding the date of award, the most skill in the art of acting. (1951)

*William H. Moody ’56 Award:* Established in memory of Bill Moody, who for many years was the theater technician and friend of countless students, this award is presented annually, if applicable, to one or more sophomores, juniors, or seniors having made outstanding contributions to the theater through technical achievements accomplished in good humor. The award should be an appropriate memento of Bowdoin. (1980)

*George H. Quinby Award:* Established in honor of “Pat” Quinby, for thirty-one years director of dramatics at Bowdoin College, by his former students and friends in Masque and Gown, this award is presented annually to one or more first-year members of Masque and Gown who make an outstanding contribution through interest and participation in Masque and Gown productions. The recipients are selected by the director of theater, the theater technician, and the president of Masque and Gown. (1967)

*Scholarship Award for Summer Study in Dance:* A monetary award toward tuition costs at an accredited summer program of study in dance is given to a student with demonstrated motivation and exceptional promise in dance technique or choreography, whose future work in dance, upon return, will enrich the Bowdoin program. (1988)

*A. Raymond Rutan IV Scholarship Award for Summer Study in Theater (2003):* The Ray Rutan Fund for the Performing Arts, established by David Zach Webster ’57, a life-long college volunteer and benefactor, honors A. Raymond Rutan IV ’51, director of theater 1971-1993. The fund is intended to enrich the life of the College through the performing arts and may be used in part to support student summer study in theater.

**UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANCE**

In addition to the Bowdoin-funded fellowships and research awards described below, students often have the opportunity to apply for fellowships made available through grants awarded to the College such as Faculty Grant Research Fellowships, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Summer Fellowships, and the National Institutes of Health–IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence Summer Fellowships. More information is available from the Office of Student Fellowships and Research.

*James Stacy Coles Undergraduate Research Fellowship and Summer Fellowship Fund (1997):* Established by gifts of family members and friends as a memorial to James Stacy Coles, the fund supports the activity of students engaged directly in serious scientific research. Fellowships are awarded annually to highly qualified students by the President of the College. The funds are used by students for substantial participation in a scientific research project under the direction of a faculty member who is independently interested in the area under study. While the name of the project differs from discipline to discipline, all projects give students...
first-hand experience with productive scholarly scientific research. Awards are made on the basis of the candidate’s academic record, particular interests and competence, the availability of an appropriate research project, and a faculty member’s recommendation.

*Martha Reed Coles Undergraduate Research Fellowship Fund (2000):* Established in honor of Martha Reed Coles, by members of her family. As the first lady of Bowdoin College from 1952 to 1967, she took an active and vital interest in every phase of life at the College. The pleasure she received from her interaction with Bowdoin’s students and her appreciation of their youthful energy, intellect, achievements, and promise inspired her children to establish the fund. Income from this fund supports students engaged in scholarly research in the arts or humanities.

*Community Matters in Maine Summer Fellowships (2006):* The Community Matters in Maine Summer Fellowships provide students the opportunity to work and serve in the local community by way of a placement in a specific organization to address community issues while strengthening campus–community partnerships.

*Henry L. and Grace Doherty Charitable Foundation Coastal Studies Research Awards (1997):* Doherty Fellowships are awarded to students to support substantial participation in a scientific research project by a student under the direction of a faculty member who is independently interested in the subject under study. Fellowships are awarded for summer research projects in marine and coastal studies.

*Freedman Summer Research Fellowship Fund (2005):* The Freedman Fellowships were established by Alan M. Freedman of the Class of 1976 to support and encourage Bowdoin undergraduates whose field of concentration is computer science to engage in faculty-student summer research projects in interdisciplinary pursuits with emphasis on innovative ideas and concepts such as artificial intelligence, robotics, cognitive modeling, learning, human-computer collaboration, decision-making, speech and language processing, geographic information systems (GIS), and other data-intensive applications, and other computer science-related research, with a preference for students who plan to continue their research at the graduate level. Candidates are identified by the computer science faculty.

*Freedman Summer Research Fellowship in Coastal/Environmental Studies (2006):* The Freedman Summer Research Fellowships, provided by a gift by Dr. and Mrs. Alan M. Freedman ’76, P’08, support and encourage Bowdoin undergraduates whose field of concentration is coastal and/or environmental studies, to engage in faculty-student summer research projects using modern scientific principles of biology, chemistry, and physics. These interdisciplinary pursuits may include but are not limited to environmental research, climate issues, biodiversity, water and air pollution, and use and abuse of natural resources affecting coastal Maine or the Maine heartland, with a preference for students who plan to continue their research at the graduate level.

*Gibbons Summer Research Internships (2001):* The Gibbons internships, established in 2001 through the gift of John A. Gibbons Jr. ’64, provide grants for student summer research, especially for projects that use technology to explore interdisciplinary areas and to develop fresh approaches to the study of complex problems that extend beyond the traditional academic calendar.

*Robert S. Goodfriend Summer Internships (2006):* The Goodfriend internships, established in 2006 through a generous gift from Robert S. Goodfriend ’57, are awarded to encourage students to pursue summer internships that will develop their business skills and increase their exposure to the business world. Current first-year students and sophomores who are returning to campus the following fall will be given priority in eligibility.
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**Alfred O. Gross Fund (1957):** This fund, established by Alfred Otto Gross, Sc.D. '52, Josiah Little Professor of Natural Science, and members of his family, is designed to assist worthy students in doing special work in biology, preferably ornithology.

**Peter J. Grua and Mary G. O’Connell Faculty/Student Research Fellowships (2007):** This fund, created by Peter J. Grua and Mary G. O’Connell, both of the Class of 1976, supports faculty-student research, regardless of discipline. Awards from the fund support student travel that will substantially enhance students’ honors projects or research being conducted under the mentorship of a faculty member, and may also be used to defray students’ research expenses.

**Howard Hughes Medical Institute Summer Fellowships:** The Howard Hughes Medical Institute Summer Fellowships provide funding for interdisciplinary undergraduate research, particularly in biochemistry and neuroscience, and for student research in marine biology and other biological field studies conducted at Bowdoin’s Coastal Studies Center on Orr’s Island.

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Studies Fund (1999):** The Fund was established by the Psi Upsilon Chapter House Association to support student internships and other programs relating to environmental studies. The ten-week summer internships are coordinated by the Environmental Studies Program and provide several undergraduates with stipends for work with Maine non-profit organizations and governmental agencies. Selection criteria include academic record, students’ interest and experience, and financial need. Student fellows have the opportunity to incorporate their summer work experience into an independent study or honors project.

**Kent Island Summer Fellowships:** Kent Island Fellows spend the summer at Bowdoin’s scientific field station on Kent Island in the Bay of Fundy, New Brunswick, Canada, conducting research in ecology, animal behavior, marine biology, botany, geology, and meteorology. Students conduct independent field work with the advice and assistance of a faculty director and have the opportunity to collaborate with faculty members and graduate students from numerous colleges and universities.

**Kibbe Science Fellowships (2003):** The Kibbe Fellowships, established by Dr. Frank W. Kibbe, Class of 1937, and his wife, Lucy H. Kibbe, support student research in the sciences.

**Fritz C. A. Koelln Research Fund (1972):** This fund was established by John A. Gibbons Jr. '64, to honor Fritz C. A. Koelln, professor of German and George Taylor Files Professor of Modern Languages, who was an active member of the Bowdoin faculty from 1929 until 1971. The income from the fund may be awarded annually to a faculty-student research team to support exploration of a topic which surmounts traditional disciplinary boundaries. The purpose of the fund is to encourage broad, essentially humanistic inquiry, and should be awarded with preference given to worthy projects founded at least in part in the humanities.

**Edward E. Langbein Sr. Summer Research Grant:** Since 1970, the Edward E. Langbein Sr. Summer Research Award has been providing support to undergraduates pursuing summer research or advanced study directed toward their major field or lifework. The award honors Edward E. Langbein Sr. and was initially funded through the bequest of his widow, Adelaide Langbein. Their son, Edward E. Langbein Jr., a member of the Class of 1957, continues to support the award, as do other members of the family.

**Latin American Studies Summer Travel Grants (2000):** Awarded to Bowdoin sophomores and juniors majoring in any academic discipline, these grants are intended to support student research in Latin America and the Caribbean that contributes to a subsequent independent study or honors project. The on-site research can be conducted during the summer months, between semesters, or to extend study-away experiences. Recipients will spend three to
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four weeks in the region and, upon their return, write a two-page report summarizing their research and results. During the following semester, these results will be used as the basis for an independent study or honors project under the direction of a faculty member.

Applicants are expected to develop proposals in consultation with a faculty mentor who agrees to supervise a subsequent independent study. Awards are made on the basis of the candidate’s academic record and competence, the quality and feasibility of the project described in the narrative proposal, the project’s relevance to the student’s educational program, and the faculty mentor’s recommendation. Applications are reviewed by a subcommittee from the Latin American Studies Program every spring.

**Littlefield Summer Fellowships:** The Littlefield Summer Research Fellowships, created in honor of William D. Littlefield, Class of 1922, through the bequest of his wife, Beatrice B. Griswold, support hands-on research in chemistry for students working closely with a Bowdoin faculty member.

**McKee Photography Grants (2003):** These grants are supported by the McKee Fund for Photography, a fund established to augment the photography offerings within the Visual Arts division of the Department of Art at Bowdoin. The grant is intended to support annually one student photography project during the summer months and a public lecture and exhibition upon completion in the fall. The grant is intended to encourage the student to work independently with advice, even if from afar, from a faculty member to execute a long-term photographic project outside of the context of the classroom.

**Thomas Andrew McKinley Family Summer Entrepreneurial Community Service Fellowships (2002):** The McKinley Family summer fellowships were established by Thomas G. and Janet B. McKinley, parents of Thomas Andrew McKinley ’06, to fund entrepreneurial endeavors or projects that demonstrate leadership and/or a contribution to the extended Bowdoin community or society; or to fund community service projects that may have a strong impact on the larger community and improve the human condition.

**Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowships:** The Mellon program provides two-year fellowships to students who are interested in pursuing an academic career at the college and university level. Students work with a faculty mentor. The grant provides funds for summer research and other expenses during the academic year.

**Nikuradse-Mathews Public Interest Summer Fellowship Fund (2006):** This fund, established by Scott A. Mathews ’84 and Tamara A. Nikuradse ’84 in support of summer fellowships to Bowdoin undergraduates who receive financial aid, consistent with College policies governing financial assistance to its students, provides fellowships to encourage students to pursue unpaid internships in humanitarian organizations, social service agencies, legal aid societies, public education, and similar settings during the summer.

**Paul L. Nyhus Travel Grant Fund (2006):** The Nyhus Travel Grant Fund was established by gifts of family and friends in memory of Paul L. Nyhus, Frank Andrew Munsey Professor of History, to support original student research that uses archival or other primary source material for an independent study or honors project in history and the related costs for travel, whether in this country or abroad.

**Paller Research Fellowship (2003):** The Paller Research Fellowship, provided by gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Paller P’01, supports ten-week summer neuroscience research projects conducted by students under the direction of Bowdoin’s neuroscience faculty.

**Preston Public Interest Career Fund Fellowships (1996):** A generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Preston P’91 has provided the College with funds to support students committed to enhancing social justice by serving the needs of the underserved and disadvantaged through policy making, direct service, or community organizing. The Public Interest Career Fund
Summer Fellowship Program was established to encourage students to intern for U.S.-based social services agencies, legal services, humanitarian organizations, and public education during the summer, with the hope that they will, as undergraduates, begin to build a foundation for future career development in these areas.

*Riley Fellowships (1996):* The Riley Fellowships, established by a gift from Matilda and John Riley, promote the education of students in sociology and anthropology through engagement in the research of faculty, in their own independent research, and in the professional worlds of the two disciplines.

*Rusack Coastal Studies Fellowships (2001):* The Rusack Coastal Studies fellowships, provided through the generous gift of Geoffrey C. Rusack ’78 and Alison Wrigley Rusack, are open to students in the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences involved in projects that bring new insight and understanding to coastal studies. The fund promotes and facilitates student and faculty disciplinary and interdisciplinary study projects at Bowdoin’s Coastal Studies Center, the surrounding coastal areas, and Casco Bay.

*Spector Fellowship (2002):* This annual fellowship, established by Sherman David Spector ’50, is awarded to a graduating senior who plans to pursue graduate studies in history and a career in teaching history at any academic level.

*Surdna Foundation Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program (1959):* An undergraduate research fellowship program established in 1959 was renamed in 1968 the Surdna Foundation Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program in recognition of two gifts of the Surdna Foundation. The income from a fund, which these gifts established, underwrites the program’s costs. Fellowships may be awarded annually to highly qualified seniors. Each Surdna Fellow participates under the direction of a faculty member in a research project in which the faculty member is independently interested.

The purpose is to engage the student directly in a serious attempt to extend knowledge. Each project to which a Surdna Fellow is assigned must therefore justify itself independently of the program, and the fellow is expected to be a participant in the research, not a mere observer or helper. The nature of the project differs from discipline to discipline, but all should give the fellow firsthand acquaintance with productive scholarly work. Should the results of the research be published, the faculty member in charge of the project is expected to acknowledge the contribution of the Surdna Fellow and of the program.

Surdna Fellows are chosen each spring for the summer or for the following academic year. Awards are made on the basis of the candidate’s academic record and departmental recommendation, his or her particular interests and competence, and the availability at the College of a research project commensurate with his or her talents and training. Acceptance of a Surdna Fellowship does not preclude working for honors, and the financial need of a candidate does not enter into the awarding of fellowships. Surdna Fellows are, however, obligated to refrain from employment during the academic year.

*Nellie C. Watterson Summer Fellowship in the Creative and Performing Arts (2007):* This fund, established by Paul and Jennifer Korngiebel, of the Classes of 1988 and 1987 respectively, honors Professor William C. Watterson, Edward Little Professor of the English Language and Literature, and his mother. The fellowship is designed to foster summer research and learning by students through faculty-mentored and/or structured training in the creative or performing arts (including music, theater and dance, the fine arts, creative writing, and film studies). Fellowship recipients may study under the direction of a Bowdoin faculty member; however, opportunities that cannot be adequately replicated under the direction of a Bowdoin faculty member, yet are deemed essential to a student’s academic program (e.g., participation in major summer festivals, pre-professional training, internships) may also be undertaken.
AWARDS IN ATHLETICS

Annie L. E. Dane Trophy: Named in memory of the wife of Francis S. Dane 1896 and mother of Nathan Dane II ’37, Winkley Professor of Latin Language and Literature, the trophy is awarded each spring to a senior member of a varsity women’s team who “best exemplifies the highest qualities of character, courage, and commitment to team play.” (1978)

Lucy L. Shulman Trophy: Given by Harry G. Shulman, A.M. H’71, in honor of his wife, this trophy is awarded annually to the outstanding woman athlete. Selection is made by a vote of the Department of Athletics. (1975)

Society of Bowdoin Women Athletic Award: This award is presented to a member of a women’s varsity team in recognition of her “effort, cooperation, and sportsmanship.” Selection is made by a vote of the Department of Athletics. (1978)

Frederick G. P. Thorne Award: This award is presented to the male student athlete who has most demonstrated the qualities of leadership both in the athletic arena and outside it. (1999)

Baseball

Francis S. Dane Baseball Trophy: This trophy, presented to the College by friends and members of the family of Francis S. Dane 1896, is awarded each spring “to that member of the varsity baseball squad who, in the opinion of a committee made up of the dean of student life, the director of athletics, and the coach of baseball, best exemplifies high qualities of character, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm for the game of baseball.” (1965)

Basketball

William J. Fraser Basketball Trophy: This trophy, presented by Harry G. Shulman, A.M. H’71, in memory of William J. Fraser ’54, is awarded annually to that member of the basketball team who best exemplifies the spirit of Bowdoin basketball. The recipient is selected by the coach and the director of athletics. (1969)

Paul Nixon Basketball Trophy: Given to the College by an anonymous donor and named in memory of Paul Nixon, L.H.D. ’43, dean at Bowdoin from 1918 to 1947, in recognition of his interest in competitive athletics and sportsmanship, this trophy is inscribed each year with the name of the member of the Bowdoin varsity basketball team who has made the most valuable contribution to this team through his qualities of leadership and sportsmanship. (1959)

Women’s Basketball Alumnae Award: A bowl, inscribed with the recipient’s name, is given to the player who “best exemplifies the spirit of Bowdoin’s Women’s Basketball, combining talent with unselfish play and good sportsmanship.” The award is presented by Bowdoin alumnae basketball players. (1983)

Football

Winslow R. Howland Football Trophy: This trophy, presented to the College by his friends in memory of Winslow R. Howland ’29, is awarded each year to that member of the varsity football team who has made the most marked improvement on the field of play during the football season, and who has shown the qualities of cooperation, aggressiveness, enthusiasm for the game, and fine sportsmanship so characteristic of Winslow Howland. (1959)

Wallace C. Philoon Trophy: Given by Maj. Gen. Wallace Copeland Philoon, USA, 1905, M.S. ’44, this trophy is awarded each year to a non-letter winner of the current season who has made an outstanding contribution to the football team. The award is made to a man who has been faithful in attendance and training and has given his best efforts throughout the season. (1960)
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William J. Reardon Memorial Football Trophy: A replica of this trophy, which was given to the College by the family and friends of William J. Reardon ’50, is presented annually to a senior on the varsity football team who has made an outstanding contribution to his team and his college as a man of honor, courage, and ability, the qualities which William J. Reardon exemplified at Bowdoin College on the campus and on the football field. (1958)

Ice Hockey

Hannah W. Core ’97 Memorial Award: Given to a member of the women’s hockey team who best represents the enthusiasm, hard work, and commitment for which Hannah will be remembered. (1996)

Hugh Munro Jr. Memorial Trophy: This trophy, given by his family in memory of Hugh Munro Jr. ’41, who lost his life in the service of his country, is inscribed each year with the name of that member of the Bowdoin varsity hockey team who best exemplifies the qualities of loyalty and courage which characterized the life of Hugh Munro Jr. (1946)

John “Jack” Page Coaches Award: Established as a memorial to John Page of South Harpswell, Maine, through the bequest of his wife, Elizabeth Page, this award is to be presented annually to the individual who, in the opinion of the coaching staff, has distinguished himself through achievement, leadership, and outstanding contributions to the hockey program, the College, and community. (1993)

Peter Schuh Memorial Award: This trophy, given in memory of Peter M. Schuh ’96, is presented to the most valuable player in the annual Bowdoin-Colby men’s ice hockey game.

Harry G. Shulman Hockey Trophy: This trophy is awarded annually to that member of the hockey squad who has shown outstanding dedication to Bowdoin hockey. The recipient is elected by a vote of the coach and the director of athletics. (1969)

Christopher Charles Watras Memorial Women’s Ice Hockey Trophy: This trophy is dedicated in the memory of Chris Watras ’85, former assistant women’s ice hockey coach. The award is presented annually to that member of the Bowdoin women’s varsity ice hockey team who best exhibits the qualities of sportsmanship, leadership, commitment, and dedication to her teammates and the sport, on the ice as well as in the community and the classroom. The recipient is selected by the women’s varsity ice hockey coach and the director of athletics. Her name is engraved on the permanent trophy and she receives a replica at the team’s annual award ceremony. (1989)

Women’s Ice Hockey Founders’ Award: This award is presented to the player who exemplifies the qualities of enthusiasm, dedication, and perseverance embodied in the spirited young women who were paramount in the establishment of Bowdoin women’s hockey. The recipient is selected by vote of her fellow players. (1991)

Lacrosse

Mortimer F. LaPointe Lacrosse Award: This award, given in honor of Coach Mortimer F. LaPointe’s twenty-one seasons as coach of men’s lacrosse by his alumni players, is presented to one player on the varsity team, who, through his aggressive spirit, love of the game, and positive attitude, has helped build a stronger team. The coach will make the final selection after consultation with the captains. (1991)

Ellen Tiemer Women’s Lacrosse Trophy: This trophy, donated to the women’s lacrosse program from funds given in memory of Ellen Tiemer’s husband, Paul Tiemer ’28, who died in 1988, is to be awarded annually “to a senior or junior woman who is judged to have brought the most credit to Bowdoin and to herself.” The recipient is to be selected by a vote of the team and the coach. (1996)
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Paul Tiemer Men’s Lacrosse Trophy: This award, established from funds given in memory of Paul Tiemer III, is to be presented annually to the player who is judged to have shown the greatest improvement and team spirit over the course of the season. Only one award shall be made in a year, and the recipient is to be selected by a vote of the men’s varsity lacrosse team. (1996)

Paul Tiemer III Men’s Lacrosse Trophy: Given by Paul Tiemer ’28 in memory of his son, Paul Tiemer III, this trophy is awarded annually to the senior class member of the varsity lacrosse team who is judged to have brought the most credit to Bowdoin and to himself. The recipient is selected by the varsity lacrosse coach and the director of athletics. (1976)

Soccer

George Levine Memorial Soccer Trophy: This trophy, presented by Lt. Benjamin Levine, coach of soccer in 1958, is awarded to that member of the varsity soccer team exemplifying the traits of sportsmanship, valor, and desire. (1958)

Christian P. Potholm II Soccer Award: Given to the College by Christian P. Potholm II ’62, DeAlva Stanwood Alexander Professor of Government, and Sandra Q. Potholm, this fund supports annual awards to the male and female scholar/athletes whose hard work and dedication have been an inspiration to the Bowdoin soccer program. Selection of the recipients is decided by the coaching staff. The award is in the form of a plaque inscribed with the recipient’s name, the year, and a description of the award. (1992)

Squash

Reid Squash Trophy: Established by William K. Simonton ’43, this trophy is awarded annually to the member of the squash team who has shown the most improvement. The recipient is to be selected by the coach of the team and the director of athletics. (1975)

Swimming

Robert B. Miller Trophy: This trophy, given by former Bowdoin swimmers in memory of Robert B. Miller, coach of swimming, is awarded annually “to the Senior who, in the opinion of the coach, is the outstanding swimmer on the basis of his contribution to the sport.” Winners will have their names inscribed on the trophy and will be presented with bronze figurines. (1962)

Sandra Quinlan Potholm Swimming Trophy: Established by Sandra Quinlan Potholm and Christian P. Potholm II ’62, DeAlva Stanwood Alexander Professor of Government, this prize is awarded annually to the male and female members of the Bowdoin swimming teams who have done the most for team morale, cohesion, and happiness. Selection of the recipients is decided by the coaching staff. The award is in the form of a plaque inscribed with the recipient’s name, the year, and a description of the award. (1992)

Tennis

Samuel A. Ladd Tennis Trophy: This trophy, presented by Samuel Appleton Ladd Jr. ’29, and Samuel Appleton Ladd III ’63, is awarded to a member of the varsity team who, by his sportsmanship, cooperative spirit, and character, has done the most for tennis at Bowdoin during the year. The award winner’s name is inscribed on the trophy. (1969)

Track and Field

Leslie A. Claff Track Trophy: This trophy, presented by Leslie A. Claff ’26, is awarded “at the conclusion of the competitive year to the outstanding performer in track and field athletics who, in the opinion of the dean, the director of athletics, and the track coach, has demonstrated outstanding ability accompanied with those qualities of character and sportsmanship consistent with the aim of intercollegiate athletics in its role in higher education.” (1961)
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Bob and Jeannette Cross Award (The Maine Track Officials’ Award): This trophy is given annually by the friends of Bowdoin track and field to that member of the women’s team who has demonstrated outstanding qualities of loyalty, sportsmanship, and character during her athletic career at Bowdoin. The recipient of the award is chosen by a vote of the head track coaches and the men’s and women’s track team. (1989)

Elmer Longley Hutchinson Cup: This cup, given by the Bowdoin chapter of Chi Psi Fraternity in memory of Elmer Longley Hutchinson ’35, is awarded annually to a member of the varsity track squad for high conduct both on and off the field of sport. (1939)

Major Andrew Morin Award: This trophy, endowed by long-time track official Andrew Morin, is given annually to the most dedicated long- or triple-jumper on the men’s or women’s track team. The winner is selected by a committee of track coaches and track officials. (1989)

Evelyn Pyun Award: Established in memory of Evelyn Pyun ’02, the award is presented annually for outstanding dedication and loyalty to the women’s cross-country team. The award honors the qualities of persistence, generosity, and enthusiasm that Evey brought to Bowdoin cross-country. (2000)

Colonel Edward A. Ryan Award: Given by friends and family of Colonel Ryan, longtime starter at the College track meets, this award is presented annually to that member of the women’s track and field team who has distinguished herself through outstanding achievement and leadership during her four-year athletic career at Bowdoin. (1989)

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James Bowdoin Cup: This cup, given by the Alpha Rho Upsilon Fraternity, is awarded annually at Honors Day to the student who in the previous college year has won a varsity letter in active competition and has made the highest scholastic average among the students receiving varsity letters. In case two or more students should have equal records, the award shall go to the one having the best scholastic record during his or her college course. The name of the recipient is to be engraved on the cup. (1947)

Bowdoin Orient Prize: Six cash prizes are offered by the Bowdoin Publishing Company and are awarded each spring to those members of the Bowdoin Orient staff who have made significant contributions to the Orient in the preceding volume. (1948)

General R. H. Dunlap Prize: The annual income of a fund established by Katharine Wood Dunlap in memory of her husband, Brig. Gen. Robert H. Dunlap, USMC, is awarded to the student who writes the best essay on the subject of “service,” in addition to demonstrating personal evidence of service. (1970)

Andrew Allison Haldane Cup: This cup, given by fellow officers in the Pacific in memory of Capt. Andrew Allison Haldane, USMCR, ’41, is awarded to a member of the senior class who has outstanding qualities of leadership and character. (1945)

Orren Chalmer Hormell Cup: This cup, given by the Sigma Nu Fraternity at the College in honor of Orren Chalmer Hormell, D.C.L. ’51, DeAlva Stanwood Alexander Professor of Government, is awarded each year to a sophomore who, as a first-year student, competed in first-year athletic competition as a regular member of a team, and who has achieved outstanding scholastic honors. A plaque inscribed with the names of all the cup winners is kept on display. (1949)
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**Lucien Howe Prize:** Fifty percent of the income of a fund given by Dr. Lucien Howe 1870, A.M. 1879, Sc.D. ’10, is awarded by the faculty to members of the senior class who as undergraduates, by example and influence, have shown the highest qualities of conduct and character. The remainder is expended by the president to improve the social life of the undergraduates. (1920)

**Masque and Gown Figurine:** A figurine, The Prologue, carved by Gregory Wiggin, may be presented to the author of the prize-winning play in the One-Act Play contest, if one is conducted, and is held by the winner until the following contest. (1937)

**Masque and Gown One-Act Play Prizes:** Prizes may be awarded annually for excellence in various Masque and Gown activities, including playwriting, directing, and acting. (1934)

**Michael Francis Micciche III Award:** This award is given annually to that individual who embodies the entire Bowdoin experience; who engages the College community, achieves academic excellence, and earns the respect of his or her peers and professors. This individual must plan on broadening his or her education following graduation, either through enrollment at a graduate school or through a structured travel or volunteer program. (2001)

**Horace Lord Piper Prize:** This prize, established by Sumner Increase Kimball 1855, Sc.D. 1891, in memory of Maj. Horace Lord Piper 1863, is awarded to that member of the sophomore class who presents the best “original paper on the subject calculated to promote the attainment and maintenance of peace throughout the world, or on some other subject devoted to the welfare of humanity.” (1923)

**The President’s Award:** This award, inaugurated in 1997 by President Robert H. Edwards, recognizes a student’s exceptional personal achievements and uncommon contributions to the College. The student’s actions demonstrate particular courage, imagination, and generosity of spirit; and they benefit the atmosphere, program, or general effectiveness of the College. (1997)

**Franklin Delano Roosevelt Cup:** This cup, furnished by the Bowdoin chapter of Alpha Delta Phi Society, is inscribed annually with the name of that member of the three lower classes whose vision, humanity, and courage most contribute to making Bowdoin a better college. (1945)

**Paul Andrew Walker Prize Fund:** This fund was established in honor and memory of Paul Andrew Walker ’31 by his wife, Nathalie L. Walker. Forty percent of the income of the fund is used to honor a member or members of the Bowdoin Orient staff whose ability and hard work are deemed worthy by the Award Committee chosen by the dean of student affairs. A bronze medal or an appropriate book, with a bookplate designed to honor Paul Andrew Walker, is presented to each recipient. (1982)

**MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS**

**Delta Sigma/Delta Upsilon Activities Fund:** The income of this fund is used to support public events and individual projects that further the welfare and enhance the community of Bowdoin College, and that preserve and promote the fellowship, community, spirit, diversity, and ideals that Delta Sigma and Delta Upsilon offered to the Bowdoin community. (1997)
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*Faculty Development Fund:* The income of this fund, established by Charles Austin Cary ’10, A.M. H’50, LL.D. ’63, is expended each year “for such purpose or purposes, to be recommended by the President and approved by the Governing Boards, as shall be deemed to be most effective in maintaining the caliber of the faculty.” These purposes may include, but not be limited to, support of individual research grants, productive use of sabbatical leaves, added compensation for individual merit or distinguished accomplishment, other incentives to encourage individual development of teaching capacity, and improvement of faculty salaries. (1956)

*Faculty Research Fund:* This fund, founded by the Class of 1928 on the occasion of its twenty-fifth anniversary, is open to additions from other classes and individuals. The interest from the fund is used to help finance research projects carried on by members of the faculty. (1979)

*The Fletcher Family Fund:* This fund was established by William C. Fletcher ’66. Income from the fund provides support for faculty research leading to publication and presentation. (2000)

*The Henni Friedlander Award for the Common Good* (2005): This fund was established by Martin and Sheila Friedlander in memory of Henni Friedlander (mother of Martin, a member of the Class of 1971), who survived Nazi Germany to immigrate to the United States, where she was an inspiring example of how love and joy of life can lift the human spirit and enable us as a society to promote the common good. The fund provides a monetary prize to an individual who has overcome significant adversity in his or her own life and gone on to make a highly significant contribution to the common good. In addition, the fund supports a lecture by the awardee on the subject of his or her life’s achievement in both the area of the common good and his or her profession. To the extent possible, the awardee will spend a day or two on campus interacting with members of the college community so that they can better appreciate the value of the individual’s accomplishments.

In years when sufficient funds are available, *The Henni Friedlander Student Prize* shall also be awarded to a Bowdoin undergraduate who has similarly overcome adversity in his or her own life and gone on to contribute to the common good.

*Sydney B. Karofsky Prize for Junior Faculty:* This prize, given by members of the Karofsky family, including Peter S. Karofsky, M.D. ’62, Paul I. Karofsky ’66, and David M. Karofsky ’93, is to be awarded annually by the dean for academic affairs, in consultation with the Faculty Affairs Committee on the basis of student evaluations of teaching, to an outstanding Bowdoin teacher who “best demonstrates the ability to impart knowledge, inspire enthusiasm, and stimulate intellectual curiosity.” The prize is given to a member of the faculty who has taught at the College for at least two years. In 2007 the award was given to Charles Dorn, assistant professor of education. (1992)

*James R. Pierce Athletic Leadership Award:* Established by James R. Pierce Jr., in memory of James R. Pierce ’46, the income of this fund is used to support an annual stipend for a member of the Bowdoin coaching staff to attend a professional conference or other continuing education activity. The recipient is selected on the basis of “superior teaching ability, unbridled enthusiasm for his/her sport, empathy for the Bowdoin scholar-athlete, and desire to inculcate a sense of sportsmanship and fair play regardless of circumstances.” (1993)
Appendix II
Bowdoin College Environmental Mission Statement

The environment within and beyond Bowdoin College is one of the fundamental aspects of our community and one that we, as members of the College, have in common. In keeping with Bowdoin’s bicentennial motto, “The College and the Common Good,” the opportunity exists to reaffirm our commitment to the history and future of Bowdoin’s relationship with the environment.

Both the institution as a whole and individuals in the Bowdoin community have an impact on the environment and therefore should commit themselves to understanding their personal responsibility for the local and natural environment. In consideration of the common good, Bowdoin recognizes its responsibility to take a leadership role in environmental stewardship by promoting environmental awareness, local action, and global thinking. Because sustainability reaches beyond the Bowdoin campus, choices made by the College in its operations shall consider economic, environmental, and social impacts. Members of the Bowdoin community shall orient new faculty, staff, and students to the campus-wide environmental ethic and conduct research and teaching in a sustainable and responsible fashion. As a way to capture this ethic, the following Environmental Mission Statement has been developed:

Being mindful of our use of the earth’s natural resources, we are committed to leading by example to integrate environmental awareness and responsibility throughout the college community. The College shall seek to encourage conservation, recycling, and other sustainable practices in its daily decision making processes, and shall take into account, in the operations of the College, all appropriate economic, environmental, and social concerns.

To implement the mission statement within and beyond the Bowdoin Community, the College commits itself to the following actions:

Sustainable Awareness

• Leading by example, Bowdoin shall integrate environmental awareness and responsibility throughout the College community.

• Resources for learning and acting shall be available to the Bowdoin community, including recycling bins, awareness lectures, information centers, and opportunities to become directly involved in environmental protection, such as environmental action committees to advise and monitor activities of the College.

• Sustainable awareness shall encompass the social causes and consequences of environmental practices in compliance with the common good.
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Sustainable Education

- Students, faculty, and staff shall be offered the opportunity to participate in an orientation program that provides information on the College’s commitment to environmental sustainability. Members of the College community shall be encouraged to act in a manner that reflects the objectives of the environmental mission statement.

- The College will strive to inform students about environmental management, sustainable economic development, and the social impacts of choices in order to provide co-curricular programming to ensure that graduates are environmentally literate and responsible citizens, and to acknowledge environmental leadership as a continuous, participatory process of learning.

Sustainable Policy

- To promote a sustainable economy in Maine and New England, Bowdoin shall use all reasonable efforts to make new purchases that favor affordably priced local and renewable products that reflect the College’s commitment to sustainability.

- To reduce waste in public landfills, Bowdoin shall use all reasonable efforts to purchase reusable and recyclable products when available.

- To complete the loop of recycling products, Bowdoin shall use all reasonable efforts to purchase products with recycled content when available and conduct vigorous recycling programs.

Further information about Bowdoin College’s commitment to sustainability is available online at http://www.bowdoin.edu/sustainability/.
Bowdoin College is located in Brunswick, Maine, a town of approximately 22,000 population, first settled in 1628, on the banks of the Androscoggin River, a few miles from the shores of Casco Bay. The 215-acre campus is organized around a central quadrangle.

On the north side of the quadrangle is Massachusetts Hall (1802), the oldest college building in Maine, which now houses the English department. The building was designated a Registered Historical Landmark in 1971, and the campus became part of the Federal Street Historic District in 1976. To the west of Massachusetts Hall, Memorial Hall, built to honor alumni who served in the Civil War and completed in 1882, was completely renovated and reopened in spring 2000. The historic building contains the modernized 610-seat Pickard Theater and the 150-seat Wish Theater in a pavilion linked to Memorial Hall by a glass atrium. Support space houses a scene shop, a costume shop and storage, rehearsal spaces, and dressing rooms for the theater and dance programs.

On the west side of the Quad along Park Row, the Mary Frances Searles Science Building (1894) has also undergone a major renovation. The remodeled facility houses the departments of physics, mathematics, and computer science. Adjacent to Searles, the Visual Arts Center (1975) contains offices, classrooms, studios, and exhibition space for the art department, as well as Kresge Auditorium, which seats 300 for lectures, films, and performances. The Walker Art Building (1894), designed by McKim, Mead and White, houses the Bowdoin College Museum of Art. The building recently underwent a major renovation and expansion, and reopened in October 2007. The Harvey Dow Gibson Hall of Music (1954) provides facilities for the music department. At the southwest corner of the quadrangle is Hawthorne-Longfellow Library Building (1965), which houses the main facilities of the College library, including the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections & Archives on the third floor. The offices of the president and the dean for academic affairs are located on the west side of the Hawthorne-Longfellow building.

On the south side of the Quad is Hubbard Hall (1903), once the College’s library and now the site of the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum and Arctic Studies Center; the departments of economics, government and legal studies, and history; some information technology offices; and the library’s Susan Dwight Bliss Room, which houses a small collection of rare illustrated books. The back wing of Hubbard Hall is connected to the library and contains book stacks and a study room. A newly carved replica of the building’s original gargoyle was recently installed atop Hubbard Hall.

In the center of the east side of the Quad is the Chapel, designed by Richard Upjohn and built between 1845 and 1855, a Romanesque church of undressed granite with twin towers and spires that rise to a height of 118 feet. A magnificent restoration of the historic Chapel interior was completed in 1997–98, and restoration of the Chapel towers was completed in 2004. Offices of the Joseph McKeen Center for the Common Good and the American Musicological Society are currently located in Banister Hall, the section of the Chapel building originally used for the College’s library and art collection.

To the north and south of the Chapel is a row of five historic brick buildings: five residence halls—south to north, Coleman (1958), Hyde (1917), Appleton (1843), Maine (1808), and Winthrop (1822) halls. The College has recently completed the renovation of these five buildings, as well as Moore Hall, located to the east of Moulton Union.
At the north end of the row of “bricks,” next to Bath Road, is Seth Adams Hall (1861), which once served as the main facility of the Medical School of Maine and now houses the Environmental Studies Center, as well as classrooms and faculty offices. The building recently underwent a renovation, which was completed in late summer 2008.

To the east of the main Quad are two secondary quadrangles divided by a complex comprising Morrell Gymnasium (1965), Sargent Gymnasium (1912), the Sidney J. Watson Fitness Center, the David Saul Smith Union (1995, originally built in 1912 as the General Thomas Worcester Hyde Athletic Building), the Studzinski Recital Hall and Kanbar Auditorium (2007, originally built as the Curtis Pool Building in 1927), and Dayton Arena (1956). The David Saul Smith Union houses a large, central, open lounge, the College bookstore and mail center, a café, convenience store, Jack Magee’s Grill, a game room, meeting rooms, and student activities offices.

Across Sills Drive through the pines behind Dayton Arena are Whittier Field, Hubbard Grandstand (1904), and the John Joseph Magee Track, which was rededicated in honor of Joan Benoit Samuelson ’79 in 2005. The Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center (2002), campus headquarters of the Bowdoin Outing Club, is located on Sills Drive near the entrance to Whittier Field.

To the northwest of this group of buildings, a multidisciplinary science center (1997) combines 75,000 square feet of new construction, named Stanley F. Druckenmiller Hall in honor of the grandfather of the building’s chief donor, Stanley F. Druckenmiller ’75; and 30,000 square feet of renovated space in Parker Cleaveland Hall (1952), which is named for the nineteenth-century Bowdoin professor who was a pioneer in geological studies. The science facility is linked to the Hatch Science Library, which opened in 1991. The complex houses the departments of biology, chemistry, and geology.

Adjoining the science facilities is Sills Hall (1950), home to the departments of classics, German, Romance languages, Russian, and film studies; and the Language Media Center. One wing of Sills Hall houses Smith Auditorium, which has advanced electronic facilities for film and other presentations.

Kanbar Hall, located at the corner of Bath Road and Sills Drive adjacent to Smith Auditorium, opened in September 2004. The 26,000-square-foot building houses the departments of psychology and education and the College’s Center for Learning and Teaching, which includes the Baldwin Program for Academic Development, the Quantitative Skills Program, and the Writing Project.

To the south of the athletic buildings and the Smith Union, an area called the Coe Quadrangle adjoins the Moulton Union (1928), which contains the offices of the dean of student affairs, the registrar, and Bowdoin Career Planning, and the residential life staff, as well as dining facilities, and several conference rooms and lounges. Also in that quadrant are Moore Hall (1941), a residence hall, and the Dudley Coe Building (1917), which contains student healthcare offices on the first floor and the Campus Services copy center and the WBOR radio station in the basement. The upper floors house the Office of Off-Campus Study and faculty offices.

On College Street near Coles Tower, the John Brown Russwurm African American Center, which opened in 1970 as a center for African American studies, was formerly a faculty residence known as the Little-Mitchell House (1827). Named in honor of Bowdoin’s first African American graduate, the Center houses the offices of the Africana Studies Program, a reading room, and a library of African and African American source materials.

The Russwurm African American Center stands in front of sixteen-story Coles Tower (1964), which provides student living and study quarters, seminar and conference rooms,
lounges, and the events and summer programs office, audiovisual services, information technology offices, and the Textbook Center. Connected to the tower are new and expanded dining facilities in Frederick G. P. Thorne Hall, which includes Wentworth Servery and Daggett Lounge. The basement of Thorne Hall houses the Bowdoin Bookstore Textbook Center. Sarah Orne Jewett Hall, the third side of the Coles Tower complex, currently houses several administrative offices.

To the east of the Coles Tower complex are two residence halls completed in the summer of 1996. A six-story building is named Harriet Beecher Stowe Hall in honor of the author of Uncle Tom's Cabin. A four-story building is named Oliver Otis Howard Hall in honor of Major General Oliver Otis Howard of the Class of 1850, first commissioner of the Freedmen’s Bureau and founder of some seventy educational institutions, among them Howard University. Chamberlain Hall, named for Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain of the Class of 1852, was completed in the summer of 1999 and stands on the west side of Coles Tower. Two new student residence halls, Osher Hall and West Hall, located on the corner of South Street and Coffin Street, opened in 2005. The Children’s Center, which is located to the south of Chamberlain Hall, was opened in 2003.

The building at 4 College Street (1901), which stands to the west of Coles Tower and which formerly housed the Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Kappa Delta Theta fraternities, has been extensively renovated to serve as the admissions office. The building has been named the Burton-Little House in honor and memory of Harold Hitz Burton (Class of 1909, LL.D. 1937), United States Supreme Court Justice from 1945 to 1958; and of George T. Little (Class of 1877), who was for many years a Bowdoin professor, librarian, and College historian and an ardent benefactor of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. The student aid office is located at Gustafson House, 261 Maine Street.

Various offices occupy buildings around the perimeter of the campus, many of them in historic houses donated by townspeople and former members of the faculty. The Asian Studies Program inhabits 38 College Street. The Women’s Resource Center, at 24 College Street, includes a library, meeting rooms, and the Queer-Trans Resource Center. The Herbert Ross Brown House, at 32 College Street, now houses the counseling service offices. Boody-Johnson House (1849), on Maine Street, is named for Henry Hill Boody, a member of the Class of 1842 and a teacher of Greek and rhetoric at the College, who hired the architect Gervase Wheeler to design the house for him; and for Henry Johnson, a distinguished member of the faculty and first director of the Museum of Art, and Frances Robinson Johnson. The building was designated a Registered Historical Landmark in 1975. It contains faculty and staff offices, as well as meeting and seminar spaces. Chase Barn Chamber, located in the ell, is used for small classes, seminars, and conferences. Ashby House (1845-55), next to Boody-Johnson House, is occupied by the religion department and various faculty offices.

On Bath Road, Ham House and the former Getchell House have both undergone extensive renovations. Ham House now serves as the location of the treasurer’s office, while Getchell House, now the Edward Pols House, contains offices of the philosophy department and faculty in Latin American studies. The Matilda White Riley House at 7 Bath Road houses the department of sociology and anthropology. The investments office relocated to the newly renovated 80 Federal Street in spring 2007.

Surrounding the central campus are various athletic, residential, and support buildings. The largest of these is the athletic complex two blocks south of Coles Tower. Here are the William Farley Field House (1987) and Bowdoin’s 16-lane A. LeRoy Greason Swimming
Pool; Pickard Field House (1937); the Lubin Family Squash Center (1999) with seven international courts; eight outdoor tennis courts; Pickard Field; the Howard F. Ryan Astroturf Field (2003); and 60 acres of playing fields. The Sidney J. Watson Arena, the new 1,900-seat home of Bowdoin ice hockey, will be completed in winter 2009.

On the north side of the campus, Rhodes Hall (1867), once the Bath Street Primary School, houses the offices of facilities management and safety and security. The former home of Bowdoin's presidents, 85 Federal Street (1860) was converted in 1982 for the use of the development office. Cram Alumni House (1857), next door to 85 Federal, is the center of alumni activities at Bowdoin. Cleaveland House, the former residence of Professor Parker Cleaveland (1806), at 75 Federal Street, has served as the president's house and is used for some College functions and guests. Copeland House, formerly the home of Manton Copeland, professor of biology from 1908 until 1947, provides additional space for development and college relations offices.

Student residences and former fraternity houses, many of them in historic buildings, are scattered in the residential streets around the campus. Several of these have been selected to serve as College Houses as part of the College House System. These include Baxter House (1901), designed by Chapman and Frazer and built by Hartley C. Baxter, of the Class of 1878; Burnett House, built in 1858 and for many years the home of Professor and Mrs. Charles T. Burnett; Reed House (1932), formerly the Chi Psi fraternity house; Helmreich House (1900), formerly the Alpha Rho Upsilon fraternity house and named in honor of Professor Ernst Helmreich; Howell House (1924), the former Alpha Delta fraternity house, now named in honor of Bowdoin’s tenth president, Roger Howell Jr.; the former Psi Upsilon fraternity house, now named the George (Pat) Hunnewell Quinby House (1903) in honor of a former director of theater at Bowdoin (1934–1966); Samuel A. Ladd Jr., House (1929), formerly Zeta Psi/Chi Delta, at 14 College Street; and the Donald B. MacMillan House (1942), formerly Theta Delta Chi, at 5 McKeen Street.

Additional College-owned student residences include the Brunswick Apartments, on Maine Street, which provide housing for about 150 students; 10 Cleaveland Street; the recently renovated 30 College Street, which also houses a multicultural center; the Harpswell Street Apartments and the Pine Street Apartments, which opened in the fall of 1973; the Mayflower Apartments, at 14 Belmont Street, about two blocks from the campus; and the Winfield Smith House, named in memory of L. Winfield Smith, of the Class of 1907.

Bowdoin’s facilities extend to several sites at varying distances from the central campus. The McLellan Building (1999), located a few blocks from campus at 85 Union Street, houses human resources, communications and public affairs, the controller’s office, art studios, and a large conference room.

Research and field stations, which in some cases also serve as areas for outdoor recreation, include the Bowdoin Pines, on the Federal Street and Bath Street edge of the campus; Coleman Farm in Brunswick; and the Coastal Studies Center, with marine and terrestrial laboratories and a farmhouse and seminar facility on nearby Orr’s Island. Property at Bethel Point in nearby Cundy’s Harbor has served as a marine research facility and is used as a practice site by the sailing team. Facilities located adjacent to Sawyer Park on the New Meadows River in Brunswick are used by the rowing team. The Bowdoin Scientific Station is located on Kent Island, Bay of Fundy, Canada. In 2005, the College acquired two neighboring islands, Hay and Sheep, to preserve the unique environment offered by the scientific station.

The architectural history of the campus is thoroughly discussed in The Architecture of Bowdoin College (Brunswick: Bowdoin College Museum of Art, 1988), by Patricia McGraw Anderson.
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