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Dear Bowdoin Parents,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Bowdoin community and to the start of the 2012-2013 academic year. This handbook is designed to answer questions you may have about the College, in addition to providing information on the greater Brunswick community. You will find overviews of the academic program and campus life, programs of special interest to parents, as well as a list of relevant services in the area. The College calendar will keep you abreast of major events and vacation schedules throughout the year. I hope you will find it a useful resource.

This can be an exciting and anxious time for parents. Please be assured that my colleagues and I stand ready to support and challenge your sons and daughters as they learn and explore new areas of interest. I wish you and your Bowdoin student a successful and gratifying year ahead.

Sincerely,

Janet K. Lohmann

Associate Dean of Student Affairs
Dean of First-Year Students
### FALL SEMESTER 2012

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Bowdoin in Brief

Founding: Bowdoin College was founded by charter from the General Court of Massachusetts on June 24, 1794. It was named in honor of James Bowdoin II, distinguished governor of the Commonwealth, whose son James Bowdoin III gave a substantial gift toward the College’s endowment. Brunswick was selected as the site for Bowdoin in 1796, and classes began in 1802. The College celebrated the 200th anniversary of its founding during the 1993–1994 academic year.

Location: Bowdoin is located just three miles from the Atlantic Ocean on the coast of Maine, in Brunswick, a town of 22,000 twenty-five miles north of Portland.

Enrollment: Approximately 1,775 students; about 230 students study away one or both semesters annually; 91 percent complete their degree in five years.

Faculty: Student/faculty ratio is 9:1; 195 full-time-equivalent faculty in residence; 99 percent with Ph.D. or equivalent; 23 head athletic coaches.

Geographic Distribution of Students: Bowdoin currently enrolls students from 47 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and 35 countries and territories.

Resources: The following is a partial list of resources available to Bowdoin students: Bowdoin College Museum of Art, Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum, Coastal Studies Center, African American Center, Women’s Resource Center, computing laboratories and classrooms, Language Media Center, Joseph McKeen Center for the Common Good. The Hawthorne-Longfellow Library contains more than one million volumes, an online database catalog, and extensive electronic resources.
Degree Bachelor of Arts. Majors: Africana studies, anthropology, art history, visual arts, Asian studies, biochemistry, biology, chemistry, classical archaeology, classical studies, classics, computer science, earth and oceanographic science, economics, English, environmental studies, French, gender and women’s studies, German, government and legal studies, history, Latin American studies, mathematics, music, neuroscience, philosophy, physics, psychology, religion, Romance languages, Russian, sociology, and Spanish. Additional interdisciplinary majors in related fields. Minor programs in dance, economics and finance, education, film studies, gay and lesbian studies, and theater. Concentration in Arctic studies. Student-designed major options.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Office of the Dean for Academic Affairs
Cristle Collins Judd, Dean for Academic Affairs, Professor of Music

The Dean for Academic Affairs is responsible for all academic matters, including the curriculum, the faculty, and all related programs and offices, including the museums, libraries, and field stations.

Curriculum The Bowdoin curriculum is structured to ensure that students will acquire a sufficient background in the major divisions of the liberal arts along with depth and breadth in their major fields. Students are required to take the equivalent of four full courses each semester. In order to meet graduation requirements, each student must successfully finish thirty-two courses and complete the departmental requirements for his or her major and any additional majors and/or minors. Each student must complete a first-year seminar and 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. Each student must also complete at least one course in each of the following three divisions—natural science and mathematics, social and behavioral sciences, and humanities (in addition to the required course in the visual and performing arts). While there are several large lecture classes, 68–70 percent of Bowdoin’s classes have an enrollment of fewer than twenty students. First-year seminars are small classes that provide an introduction to specific disciplines and an opportunity for students to improve their reading and writing skills.

**Majors** Each student may choose one of six basic patterns to satisfy the major requirement: a departmental major, two departmental majors (double major), a coordinate major, an interdisciplinary major, a student-designed major, or any of the preceding with a departmental minor. A major must be declared by the end of the sophomore year after consultation with the department(s) involved. Students are encouraged to explore options for their major during their first and second years.

**Grading** Course grades are defined as follows: A, excellent; B, good; C, fair; D, poor; F, failing. Plus (+) or minus (−) modifiers may be added to B and C grades; only the minus may be added to the A grade. A grade of D indicates work that at least in some respects falls below the acceptable standard for academic work at Bowdoin; only a limited number of D or Credit/D/Fail grades may be counted toward the requirements for graduation. Students who achieve distinction in their courses may qualify to be named Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars. Further information on the Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholarships, which carry no stipend, may be found in the College Catalogue.

Course grades are available to students on the Bearings portion of Bowdoin’s website shortly after the close of each semester. Students are encouraged to discuss any academic difficulties with their advisors and instructors. Grade disputes are handled by the chair of the department or through a formal review by the Recording Committee. Students whose work does not meet acceptable standards are placed on academic probation and are encouraged to meet with their faculty advisor and a member of the dean’s staff who will help to monitor the student’s academic performance.
**Academic Advising System** Each student is assigned a pre-major faculty advisor at the start of his or her first year at Bowdoin. Advisors consult with students on course selection and their academic program. Once students have selected a major (typically during the second semester of the sophomore year), they are advised by a member of their chosen department. Each year upperclass student representatives are also selected by the faculty to provide their perspectives regarding study in the various departments.

**Off-Campus Study** Bowdoin makes available a number of options for off-campus study, both outside the United States and through the Twelve College Exchange and other U.S. programs. The College regards off-campus study as an extension of the on-campus program and expects the programs in which students earn credit toward the degree to be comparable in challenge to work done at Bowdoin.

The Office of Off-Campus Study maintains a list of approved programs and provides information about study away. Students who wish to study away should consult with their advisors, their potential major departments, and the off-campus study director. Bowdoin charges a fee for participation in off-campus study programs.

**Leave of Absence** A leave of absence permits a student in good standing to take one or two semesters away from Bowdoin for non-academic pursuits. Students may obtain applications for leaves of absence in the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.
Office of the Dean of Student Affairs

Tim Foster, Dean of Student Affairs

The dean of student affairs is responsible for much of the student experience beyond the classroom. Staff members throughout the Division of Student Affairs are here to help students with their studies, their leadership and social growth, their well-being, and their future. The dean serves as the principal voice relaying student concerns to the president of the College and the Board of Trustees. The dean is also responsible for overseeing the College disciplinary system in collaboration with the associate/assistant deans, the director of residential life, the Office of Safety and Security, and the Judicial Board. The Office of the Dean of Student Affairs is located on the second floor of Moulton Union.

The deans are knowledgeable about issues and problems that arise for students and are a good source of information about College resources and policies. They offer general advising as well as referrals to other campus offices. They help students manage academic and non-academic situations as they arise and consult extensively with faculty and staff across the College. In addition to serving as the primary advocates for individual students, members of the dean's staff also orchestrate a number of specific programs, systems, and services, including academic advising, accommodations for students with disabilities, the disciplinary process, crisis intervention and response, international student advising, multicultural student programs and advising, Orientation, transfer and exchange student advising, emergency student loans, etc. Deans are available to respond to emergency situations and maintain an on-call rotation during non-working hours that is accessible via Security 207-725-3500.

Residential Life

As a residential college, Bowdoin is committed to the learning process that takes place both in and outside the classroom. Residential life at Bowdoin College is based on a model of broad house membership that includes all students. Under the House System, all incoming first-year students are members of the house with which their residence hall is affiliated. First-year students have full voting privileges and the opportunity to run for an elected office in their house. The residence hall–College house affiliations are as follows:

- Appleton Hall—Quinby House
- Coleman Hall—MacMillan House
- Hyde Hall—Howell House
House governance
 Elections for house leadership positions take place in the spring. Each house will elect a president, a vice president, a treasurer, and a program chair. Students living in the houses are eligible to run for these primary positions. In addition to the primary positions, there are a variety of other elected positions in each house (see the Student Handbook online, Campus Life). The individuals elected to these positions are not required to live in the house.

Faculty involvement within the houses
 The active participation of faculty with the houses is extremely important. This participation helps to integrate the academic and social spheres of the College as described in the Commission on Residential Life’s Interim Report. Each house has a faculty advisor whose primary role is to answer questions and address concerns regarding the academic program and academic interests.

Residential life staff
 Proctors and resident assistants (RAs) are sophomores, juniors, and seniors who live in the College residences and are responsible for creating and maintaining a living environment conducive to the academic success and physical, social, and emotional well-being of students. They answer students’ questions about all aspects of life and study at Bowdoin, and address student concerns, assist with planning residence hall activities, and support College residency policies. Each first-year floor has a proctor who lives on the floor and who serves as a resource for the residents throughout their transition to Bowdoin.
Rooms and Personal Belongings  College accommodations for first-year students are primarily quints, quads, triples, and doubles and consist of a bedroom(s) and living room shared by students. Rooms are furnished with a bed, desk, chair, and dresser for each student. Students bring their own blankets, pillows, lamps, and personal items.

Weekly linen service is available at a modest cost, and laundry facilities are located in many residence halls. Bathrooms are communal and single-sex. Students are responsible for the condition of their rooms and will be charged for damages. Painting of rooms is not allowed. Small refrigerators, small microwaves (900 watts or less), audio and computer equipment, and some other small appliances are permitted. No pets are allowed in any College housing.

A telephone system has been installed in student residences. Students receive details about the telephone system and about voice mail services and telephone service calling cards over the summer. Bicycles are useful on campus, but should be secured on a bike rack and stored in the basement of a residence hall during the winter. Cars owned by upperclassmen must be registered and assigned to a specific parking area. The registration fee is $40 for the academic year. First-year students are not allowed to register cars. Bowdoin participates in the Zipcar program and the Bowdoin Student Government sponsors shuttle services to and from the Portland airport during semester breaks.

OneCard  Every student is issued a OneCard. It is their official Bowdoin ID card and provides a student with a wide variety of features and benefits on campus. It is their photo ID for all campus events requiring identification. Once funds are deposited into the OneCard account, it can be used to pay for items on campus such as books, printing and copy services, laundry, vending items, apparel, event tickets, and activities fees. The OneCard acts as the meal card and Polar Points account card. The OneCard gives each student access to their residence hall, and individual rooms as well as necessary buildings, classrooms and labs, and Fitness Center.

As of this past spring, students can use their OneCard funds at participating merchants in the Brunswick community. A list of off-campus merchants who accept the OneCard can be found online at bowdoin.edu/onecard/offcampus. All information regarding deposits and managing of the OneCard can be found at bowdoin.edu/onecard.
Bowdoin Career Planning

Timothy Diehl, Director of Career Planning

Bowdoin Career Planning is composed of a team of professionals committed to assisting students with career exploration and planning, writing resumes, learning interviewing techniques, and offering workshops and services concerning life beyond Bowdoin. Through one-on-one appointments, the career advising team also helps students locate internships and summer employment opportunities. Online and offline career planning resources are available to provide information on career paths, graduate schools, professional schools, and full-time jobs and internships. Bowdoin Career Planning runs an on-campus and off-campus recruiting program for full-time and summer employment and a graduate school fair on-campus each year, and encourages the involvement of alumni and parents in its career preparation programs.

Parents and alumni form the foundation of the networking and advising process for current Bowdoin students. One way in which parents may become involved is through the Bowdoin Parent Career Advisory Network group on LinkedIn. By joining this LinkedIn Group, you create an opportunity for current students to benefit from your career expertise and also extend the network beyond the College. In addition, the majority of our recruiting relationships are driven by engaged parents and alumni. If your organization has a potential internship or full-time job opportunity appropriate for a Bowdoin student, please contact Bowdoin Career Planning at 207-725-3717 or e-mail cpc@bowdoin.edu to speak with our Employer Relations team. We are pleased to design a resume referral or on-campus recruiting program that addresses your hiring needs.

Counseling Service

Bernie Hershberger, Ph.D., Director

The Counseling Service is staffed by psychologists, psychiatrists, licensed clinical and professional counselors, and social workers who are available to help students with personal and academic problems. All meetings between clinicians/psychiatrists and students are confidential unless there is imminent danger to the student or to someone else, or by written consent of the student. Members of the counseling staff see students about issues including general anxiety, depression, and worries about relationships with friends and roommates, eating disorders, concerns about drug and alcohol abuse, and many other matters. Psychiatric evaluations and medication monitoring are also available. Additionally, Counseling Service
coordinates a range of mind/body stress reduction programs such as yoga, tai chi, qigong, and meditation, along with sports psychology consultations.

Bowdoin makes efforts to promote responsible student behavior through education, counseling, and, when necessary, medical attention. Parents are urged to support these efforts as well, and are reminded that the legal drinking age in Maine is 21.

**Bowdoin Meal Plan Information**

*Mary Lou Kennedy, Director of Dining Service*

Dining Service provides 24 "meal opportunities" during the regular academic weeks. This includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner seven days a week as well as brunch on weekends and a very popular late-night SuperSnack offered from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Students select which meals to attend based on their preferences and the total meal allowance of their board plan.

All first-year students must participate in the Res 19 Meal Plan (19 meals per week) for their entire first year. Upperclass students living on campus must enroll in a residential meal plan and may choose the Res 19 (19 meals per week), Res 14 (14 meals per week), or Res 10 (10 meals per week) plan. Upperclass students who live off campus may select any of the board plans or purchase meals on an occasional basis at the higher cash or OneCard rates.

Upperclass students may change their board plan during the official board change period at the end of each semester. Changes made after the designated change period until the second Monday of the new semester will be assessed a $25 late fee. No changes to board plans will be allowed after that date.

Board meals are not provided during Thanksgiving vacation, or winter and spring breaks. Dining facilities are open during fall break serving brunch and dinner daily.

Additional information about Bowdoin Dining Service can be found at bowdoin.edu/dining.

**Health Services**

*Sandra Hayes, N.P., Director of Health Services*

The Student Health Service is committed to promoting the health and well being of Bowdoin students through the provision of quality primary and acute care, and educational outreach services. The Health Center is a fully equipped primary care medical office with an on-site laboratory. It is staffed by Board-certified physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, a registered nurse, and a nutritionist.
The Health Center is open weekdays 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. while classes are in session. Gynecological services, comprehensive physical examinations, and travel medicine consultations may be scheduled in advance. After-hours and emergency coverage are provided by the MidCoast walk-in clinic as well as two local hospitals, all located near the campus. MidCoast Hospital and Parkview Hospital operate 24-hour, fully staffed emergency rooms, urgent care centers, and in-patient care facilities. Bowdoin security will arrange transportation if needed.

The Health Service actively pursues its educational outreach mission, emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, and individual self-advocacy. At the Health Center, students often have their first opportunities to interact independently with health care providers. Students are encouraged to evaluate and make decisions about their own health care needs, with information and support provided by the Health Center staff. Confidentiality of student medical records is strictly maintained, but may be waived with the student’s permission or in the case of a life-threatening situation.

Office of Safety and Security
Randall Nichols, Director
The Office of Safety and Security provides 24-hour service and protection to the Bowdoin community with a staff of twenty full-time and ten part-time officers. The staff is committed to keeping Bowdoin one of the safest campuses in the country, with their primary focus being the health and safety of the student.

The Office of Safety and Security responds to and investigates all reported incidents and policy violations. Excellent interdepartmental relationships are maintained with Brunswick police, fire, and rescue, the Maine State Police, and federal law enforcement agencies for operational and training support. Bowdoin has an all-hazards campus emergency management plan and the staff conducts annual scenario-based drills to test their readiness to respond to any campus emergency. A campus-wide mass notification system informs all students, faculty, and staff of campus emergencies within minutes, providing specific safety information and instructions. Security officers are generally assigned to campus patrol operations, the communications center, and the Museum of Art. Typical duties include investigation and reporting, event management, building security, parking enforcement, and safety speaking engagements. The campus is patrolled by 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. Numerous blue light emergency phones dot the campus to provide a quick and easy means to obtain help. The Bowdoin Shuttle provides safe and reliable student transportation within a one-mile radius of campus, 6:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. Information regarding a campus emergency will be available on the Bowdoin website.

The Office of Safety and Security is proud of the strong relationship it has with our students, faculty, and staff. Only with the confidence, trust, and support of the entire campus community can we ensure that Bowdoin remains the safe and special place that it is.

Emergency: 207-725-3500
Routine Business: 207-725-3314
Bowdoin Shuttle: 207-725-3337
Safety and Security Administration Office: 207-725-3458

COSTS AND FINANCIAL AID

College Charges
The charges for tuition, board, room rent, and fees for the College year 2012–2013 are as follows:

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In addition, the College bill includes class dues of $30 for underclass students or $60 for seniors. The cost of the full-year Bowdoin Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan is $1,231. In calculating financial need, the Office of Student Aid estimates the cost of books and personal expenses to be $2,000; these are not included in the bill. Transportation allowances, which are also considered in awarding financial aid, are individually determined. Students electing to participate in an approved Off-Campus Study Program are charged a $1,000 fee per program.

Billing Procedures
Bills are delivered to every student in early July for the fall semester and in early December for the spring semester. Financial aid awards are deducted from the bill. Payment of any remaining balance is due by the date stated on the bill. Tuition bills are delivered exclusively online. Further information about the student bill and payment policy and the online billing and payment system is available at bowdoin.edu/bursar.
Tuition Refund Plan Refunds of tuition and fees for students leaving Bowdoin during the course of the semester are made in accordance with a specified refund schedule. The amount of refund ranges from 0 to 80 percent. The College offers tuition refund insurance through A.W.G. Dewar, Inc. Subscribers are guaranteed an 80 percent refund in tuition and fees throughout the term for students taking medical leaves of absence. Information and enrollment applications are mailed to billing addresses of record in July and are also accessible online at Dewar’s site, collegerefund.com.

Financial Aid Bowdoin’s financial aid program is need-based and designed to supplement family resources so that as many students as possible can attend the College with the full amount of needed assistance. Bowdoin is committed to meeting the full calculated need of all admitted students. Beginning with the 2008–2009 academic year Bowdoin eliminated loans for all new and current students replacing those loans with grants.

Students who feel they will need Bowdoin aid must apply for assistance each year. For prospective new students, the aid application and all filing instructions are included in the application for admission. Enrolled students apply for aid on forms that are provided online at the Office of Student Aid website (bowdoin.edu/studentaid/enrolled). Materials are available in February and due before April 15. Aid decisions for returning students are mailed on or about July 1. Further information and assistance can be obtained from the Office of Student Aid at 207-725-3273.
TRAVELING TO BRUNSWICK

By Air Portland Jetport is serviced by the following airlines: Air Canada, AirTran, Delta, JetBlue, United, and US Airways. For information about travel service to/from the airport, call the College's contracted travel agency Hewins Travel at 207-729-6261 or jlonergan@hewistravel.com (hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST).

By Bus Concord Coach Lines and Greyhound Bus Line have daily trips to and from points south. When classes are in session, Concord Coach Lines makes stops at the College at Druckenmiller Hall on Sills Drive, and at the Brunswick Visitor Center at 16 Station Avenue. Schedules and ticket prices are available by calling 800-639-3317. Greyhound buses stop at 206 Maine Street at the 7-11 convenience store. Schedules and ticket prices are available by calling 800-231-2222. Special baggage express rates are available.

By Car Brunswick is about 25 miles from Portland and 120 miles from Boston. To reach Brunswick from the south, take the Maine Turnpike to Exit 52 (Rt. 295 to Coastal Route 1); then follow 295 to the Bath-Brunswick exit (Exit 28, Route 1). From the north via the Maine Turnpike, take Exit 103, then 295 to Brunswick Exit 28 (Route 1 North). From the exit, follow signs for the business district (to Maine St.); turn right at the end of Pleasant St. onto Maine St. The campus begins at Maine St. and Bath Rd. The main entrances to the residence halls are on Bath Road and on College Street.
As the parent of a Bowdoin student, you are an important part of the College community. There are several programs and events designed specifically for parents. We encourage your participation and welcome you as you begin your special relationship with Bowdoin.

Programs of Special Interest to Parents

Orientation First-year student orientation is scheduled for August 21 to August 25, with the first day including activities of interest to parents. Residence halls will open at 8:30 a.m. and students can move in anytime between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. There are events happening on campus that day for parents, as well as important information on services (such as IT, campus employment, banking options, to name a few) that will be available. Upon your arrival on Tuesday, August 21, you and your son or daughter should report directly to the assigned residence hall. Students will be permitted to move into their room, although all students will be sleeping in the Farley Field House on August 21 and heading out on Orientation trips on August 22.

Parents are invited to attend the President’s Welcome on August 21 where President Mills and other College administrators will welcome you to the Bowdoin community. A reception at the president’s house will follow. Parents are asked to leave campus by 4:30 p.m. on August 21.

Family Weekend Family Weekend is an annual fall event, scheduled this year for September 28–30. Friday, September 28, is Sarah and James Bowdoin
Day. Parents are encouraged to attend classes with their son or daughter, as well as the ceremony and reception held that afternoon honoring the Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars. On Friday and Saturday the schedule will feature faculty speakers, open houses, athletic events, musical performances, and other special programs.

The Parents Fund The Bowdoin Parents Fund is an important part of the College’s Annual Giving Program. Gifts to the Parents Fund provide support for all aspects of student life from academic and residential initiatives to athletic and extracurricular activities. The Parents Fund follows a fiscal year schedule, beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30. In 2011–2012, the Parents Fund raised $2,187,935 with 1,275 parents of current students and graduates contributing to the effort.

The Office of Parent Giving works closely with parent volunteers who serve on the Parents Executive Committee. The support of the committee is key to the success of the program. Each year the director of Parent Giving and the chairs of the Parents Executive Committee invite parents to join the committee. For more information, contact Pamela Phillips, director of Parent Giving, at 207-725-3269.

Bowdoin Club Events Parents are invited and encouraged to attend Bowdoin events in their communities. The alumni office plans many social and cultural events for alumni, parents, and friends of the College throughout the year. You will receive an invitation to any event planned within a reasonable distance of your home. There is a nominal charge for most events.

Publications Parents receive Bowdoin, the College’s alumni magazine, free of charge. The weekly student newspaper, The Bowdoin Orient, is available on a subscription basis. To order a subscription online go to orient.bowdoin.edu/orient/subscribe.php. Contact the business manager with any questions at orientads@bowdoin.edu, or by calling the business line at 207-725-3300. Parents may also subscribe to the Bowdoin Daily Sun, a daily blog featuring news, information, and commentary at bowdoindailysun.com.

Association of Bowdoin Friends Friends of the College sponsor receptions after student performances, arrange home dinners and/or gatherings in January for the athletes who return early to campus, and offer summer storage in their homes.
Information about summer storage opportunities will be posted in the Student Digest after spring break.

**Host Family Program** Volunteer families help students adjust to life at Bowdoin and provide a connection to the Brunswick community. The program was started to assist students from abroad, but there are usually enough volunteer families to include state-side students. Host families provide home-away-from-home support. Interested students should contact Laura Lee, llee@bowdoin.edu, in the student affairs office or visit the Bowdoin website at bowdoin.edu/studentaffairs/hostfamily.

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**AREA SERVICES**

*Note: All phone numbers in Maine have a 207 area code.*

**Accommodations**

**Brunswick**
- Brunswick Inn, 165 Park Row, 729-4914
- Captain Daniel Stone Inn, 10 Water St., 373-1824
- Comfort Inn, 199 Pleasant St., 729-1129
- Econo Lodge, 215 Pleasant St., 729-9991
- Fairfield Inn, 36 Old Portland Rd., 721-0300
- Inn at Brunswick Station, 4 Noble St., 837-6565
- Knights Inn, 133 Pleasant St., 725-8761
- Parkwood Inn, 71 Gurnet Road, 725-5251
- Pelletier Bed & Breakfast, 40 Pleasant St., 725-6538
- Rodeway Inn and Suites, 287 Bath Rd., 729-6661
- Days Inn, 224 Bath Rd., 725-8883
- Traveler’s Inn, 130 Pleasant St., 729-3364
- Middle Bay Farm Bed and Breakfast, 287 Pennellville Rd., 373-1375

**Bath** (10 minutes from campus)
- The Galen C. Moses House, 1009 Washington St., 442-8771
- Hampton Inn, 140 Commercial St., Bath 386-1310
- Holiday Inn, 139 Richardson St., 443-9741
- The Inn at Bath, 969 Washington St., 443-4294
- Kennebec Inn, 696 High St., 443-5324

**Orr’s Island/Harpswell** (20 minutes from campus)
- Harpswell Inn, 108 Lookout Point Rd., 833-5509

**Freeport** (15 minutes from campus)
- Freeport Inn, 31 U.S. Route 1, 865-3106
Hampton Inn, 194 Lower Main St., 865-1400
Harraseeket Inn, 162 Main St., 865-9377
Hilton Garden Inn, 5 Park St., 865-1433

Bakeries
Bowdoin Dining Service (cakes can be ordered for students to pick up with two weeks notice), 725-3211
C is for Cupcake, 37 Oak St., Bath, 841-0237
Wild Oats Bakery, Tontine Mall, Brunswick, 725-6287

Banks
There are several banks in the vicinity of the College. Bank of America and TD Bank ATMs are located in the David Saul Smith Union and a TD Bank ATM is located in Coles Tower. TD Bank accepts bank cards from most national and Maine banks. Most local banks have limited Saturday hours.

Florists
Pauline’s Bloomers, 149 Maine St., 725-5952
Flowers, Etc., 15 Jordan Ave., 725-2461

Pharmacies
CVS, Merrymeeting Plaza, Bath Rd., 729-8587
Hannaford Pharmacy, 35 Elm St., 729-1604
Rite Aid, 156 Maine St., 729-8100

Transportation to the College
Brunswick Tour and Travel, 37 Stonewall, Woolwich, 725-5587
Concord Coach Lines, 800-639-3317
Greyhound Bus Line, 800-231-2222
Hewins Travel, 7 Gurnet Rd., 729-6261
Mermaid Transportation Co., 800-696-2463
Mid-Coast Limousine, 800-937-2424

Other area services including clothing stores, cleaners, bookstores, gift shops, markets, restaurants, and sports stores are listed in the Student Handbook online. For additional accommodations listings and travel assistance contact the Southern Midcoast Maine Chamber of Commerce, 2 Main St., Topsham, 877-725-8797, or go to bowdoin.edu/visiting.