Ensuring Attendee Safety
COVID-19 and Updates on your GRC
at BATES COLLEGE

How GRC is Supporting Your Health

GRC continues to monitor venue and state-wide practices, updating our venue pages on a weekly basis. We are currently working with our venues to implement social distancing practices at our conferences in 2022 as needed.

While the policies listed here reflect those of the venue, GRC attendees are expected to follow guidelines as outlined by GRC in their registration email. GRC policies regarding masking and vaccination status will supersede those put in place by the venue when utilizing GRC event spaces.

As always, the health and safety of our communities are GRC’s highest priority, and we are working to ensure you’ll be able to join us safely and comfortably in 2022.

Bates’ Commitment to You

• Bates will require that all students be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before coming to campus this fall for the academic year 2021-2022.
• Affective August 17, all Bates community members, vaccinated and unvaccinated, must wear a mask while indoors.
• Hand sanitizing stations placed throughout campus
• Bates will be emphasizing custodial practices including routine cleaning and disinfecting of surfaces and equipment.
• Click Here for Bates’ full Preparedness and Response Plan.

Maine’s Current Regulations
(as of August 26, 2021)

• Click here for Reopening Maine Information
• All capacity limits and physical distancing requirements has been lifted in public outdoor settings and public indoor venues.
• Fully vaccinated people do not have to wear face coverings indoors.
• - Information and updates from the Maine Department of Health can be found here.
• As of May 1, 2021, Maine no longer requires proof of a negative test or quarantine for travelers to the state.
**ARRIVAL AND ACCOMMODATIONS**

Logan Airport (BOS): Located 140 miles south of Lewiston  
Portland International Jetport (PWM): Located 35 miles south of Lewiston  
GRC Chartered Bus: You can reserve a spot on the bus through your MyGRC account and find details about the bus [here](#) and [click here](#) to see what Concord Coach is doing to protect you.

Rental Car: [Click here](#) for GRC's discounted rates with Enterprise or National Rental Car. Enterprise has a [Clean Car Pledge](#) to combat the spread of COVID-19.

GRC Check-in is from 2:00 pm – 9:00 pm in Chu Hall, 55 Campus Avenue.  
- Visit campus security at 245 College Street if you arrive outside of standard check-in hours. The phone number is 207-786-6254.  
- GRS check-in is from 2:00 pm—5:00 pm on Saturday.

The GRC office is located in 211 Commons.

**ACCOMMODATIONS AND AMENITIES**

Conferees stay in newly renovated residence halls with single or shared rooms.  
- Air-conditioned  
- Non-smoking  
- Single and multiple-occupancy hall bathrooms  
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout campus  
- Linens, towels and soap provided

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**Amenities:**  
- Pool  
- Fitness center  
- Track  
- Tennis and racquetball courts  
- On-site parking  
- Laundry on-site  
- Mobility accessible rooms

**Poster Printing:**  
- Posters can be emailed in PDF format at least 3 business days in advance to postandprint@bates.edu and you will be emailed when the poster is ready, or you can request a print in person (please allow at least 2 hours for printing)  
- Cost is $60 per poster and can be paid in cash or credit  
- Posters must be picked up or ordered during Post and Print hours (Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm)

**PLANNING YOUR VISIT**

**Dress is Casual**  
Bring a relaxed wardrobe and comfortable shoes. Please check the weather forecast and plan to bring a raincoat and or light jacket for outside activities.

**Activities**  
Once you arrive on-site, you can sign up for various activities.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Bates is located within 5 minutes of hospital facilities.

**COVID-19 Safety Recommendations**  
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**MEALS**

All meals are served buffet style in the Dining Hall.

Vegetarian and gluten free selections are provided at all meals.

**SCIENCE AND POSTER SESSIONS**

Science Sessions are held in Olin Concert Hall, Room 210  
Poster Sessions are held in the Perry Atrium in Pettengill Hall.

Poster board dimensions are 4 feet X 4 feet.

**DEPARTURES**

Breakfast is available on Friday morning from 7:30 am to 8:30 am.  
Check-out is at 10:00 am.

**ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.GRC.ORG**