Experience American life and culture at Bates

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Tacoma, WA USA
U.S. college classroom culture

- Informal instruction
- Formal instruction
- We encourage questions
- Interaction and team work is common
- Individual responsibility is required
- Wide variety of teaching and learning modes:
  - Lecture
  - Discussion
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A variety of teaching and learning modes:

- Practical, hands-on (lab)
- E-learning
- Independent study
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A variety of assessment and evaluation methods:
- Class presentations
- Paper and pencil tests
- Hands-on demonstrations
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Bates Technical College Classrooms

Simulate the workplace environment

- Students learn by doing
- Class time includes lecture, hands-on lab work, and independent study (reading, writing and skills practice)
Bates Technical College Classrooms

Simulate the workplace environment

- Student learning is evaluated through paper and pencil tests, hands-on demonstrations, and observation of workplace behavior (attendance, communication, getting along with others)
Bates Technical College classrooms
Advantages for all students

- Small class sizes. Twenty (20) students per faculty member
- Faculty are industry experts
Advantages for all students
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Advantages for international students

- No English required.
- ELS Language Center on campus
- Dedicated international student advisor
- Activities with Americans
Advantages for international students
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Tips for success

- Ask questions
  - Your Advisor
  - Your Instructor
  - Your fellow students

- Use campus resources
  - Library
  - Tutoring Center
  - Diversity Center

- Form study groups
Tips for success
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Ask Questions

Your Advisor

- Your advisor can help you find the answers to your questions.

Your Instructor

- Faculty at Bates want their students to succeed, so ask questions if you need help understanding an assignment or expectations. **Remember:** Asking questions is a part of American culture!
Ask Questions

Your fellow students

Students who have been at Bates for one or more quarters have experience to share and enjoy helping new students figure out how everything works.
Ask questions
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Use campus resources

Library
- Help with research, workshops, quiet study space, borrow equipment

Tutoring Center
- Free personal help with math, writing assignments, and free handouts with study tips and other useful information
Use campus resources

Student Services

- Assistance for students with disabilities, help with resolving problems with classmates or instructors
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Campus life

Associated Student Government (ASG)

- Student Leadership – Serve on the ASG as a president or vice president to help develop and enhance your leadership skills.
- Serve as Club Coordinator or simply join a club. You could even start a brand new club!
- Have a voice in college decisions that affect students
- Help organize campus events
Campus life

Diversity Center

- A welcoming place to meet others for conversation and to practice your English skills.
- Meeting rooms – a large conference room and smaller spaces for study groups or clubs are available for students and staff to reserve.
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Diversity Center

- Small kitchen area – Store your lunch in the refrigerator and heat it up in the microwave for convenience and money saving
- Computer stations – Go online. Check email. Post updates to your Facebook page!
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About Tacoma, Washington, USA

- An urban environment with a small city feeling
Where we are

Tacoma, Washington U.S.A.
Downtown Campus
South Campus
Tacoma, Washington, USA
“Bates is my first American school, and I found it really easy to talk with my instructors.”

~ Jae Hoon Choi, Dental Lab Technician
“I like working in the kitchen and with people, and Bates’ culinary arts was the perfect fit for me. I’m getting as much education as I can, doing what I enjoy the most—cooking.”

~ William Luk, Culinary Arts graduate
“If it wasn't for Bates, I would have never thought it would have been possible for me to be a denturist.”
~ Santiago Zayco, Denturist Program
“I chose Bates because of the description of the college, and it was more affordable than other colleges. I would be able to earn an associate degree in a short period of time, and get a hands-on learning experience.”
~ Jesus Salvador Ncogo Biye, Wireless Voice & Data Communications
To inspire, challenge & educate

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