I. OVERVIEW

On-campus housing is limited to students employed during the summer conducting research supervised by a faculty member, participating in a Bates sponsored internship program, or working for an administrative office of the College. Summer housing is arranged and supervised by the Office of the Dean of Students. Access to summer housing is limited to the term of employment only and not available until the day following graduation. These policies cover the summer period of twelve weeks (from May 30, 2010 to August 28, 2010).

Payment Policy – Students are charged a fee set by the Financial Office that supplements the College's costs. The fee is $55.00 per week for a double room and $65.00 per week for a single room. The week designation is Sunday to Saturday. We do not charge for the week immediately following Commencement. Students may pay for their rooms in one-week increments only; for example, if a student wishes to live on campus for 3 and ½ weeks, then he or she must either pay for four full weeks of housing or pay for three weeks and find alternate accommodations for his or her remaining days of employment. The housing fee must be paid through the Payroll Department as a payroll deduction. Due to this payment procedure, students must work the required number of hours per week to ensure adequate funds in their accounts to cover the cost of housing. Delinquent bills will be assessed to the student’s tuition bill and, if unpaid, may affect registration, graduation, and/or continued attendance at Bates.

Housing for Newly Graduated Students – Any graduating senior wishing to stay in summer housing must pay in advance for housing in 4 week increments according to the dates provided to the Housing Office in that student’s Summer Housing Contract. Failure to pay in these increments may result in removal from summer housing. Only those international graduates who have written proof of acceptance to a graduate school in the United States are allowed to work the summer after graduation because, by law, they are still considered Bates students until they report to their new school. There are no exceptions to this rule. If a graduate is waiting for a job to start in another city, he/she may not work at Bates in any capacity on or off campus. You must vacate summer housing by August 21st.

Summer Housing Contract – Students must provide their dates of residency when completing the Summer Housing Contract. There will be no break in the dates given for summer housing (i.e. vacations). These dates shall be considered a binding agreement between the student and the College, and only one change to the dates of residency will be permitted after the contract is signed. Students must also amend their contracts if changes are made to their type of employment.

Questions about any aspect of these terms should be directed to the Housing Office 207-786-6215 or housing@bates.edu.

II. RESIDENCE HALL REGULATIONS

Summer room assignments will be made through a lottery system to ensure a fair allotment of single rooms to those who wish to live alone. If you choose a double without a roommate during this lottery process, please be aware that a roommate may be assigned to you over the course of the summer if space is needed. If you are in a double room alone you will be charged for a single. The matching of roommates will be done on the basis of gender and smoking habits only. The Housing Office will not be available during the summer for mediation of roommate disputes/conflicts. These must be worked out between the occupants of the room. Unless the Office of the Dean of Students specifically approves a room change for reason of extenuating circumstances, students must reside in assigned rooms.
The College maintains the right to move students to facilitate work by the Physical Plant and to remove students who do not adhere to the terms of this contract. Outside and inside maintenance to the buildings may take place during the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

*Furnishings* – Each resident student is furnished with a bed, desk, desk chair, bureau, and wastebasket. **All furniture must remain in the room. Physical Plant will not remove furniture during the summer and neither may the occupant.** Students should bring their own lamps, curtains, linens, blankets and towels.

Waterbeds are not permitted and will be removed if installed. Alterations in the structure or painting of rooms, including lofts and other built-in furniture, are prohibited. If furnishings are missing when assessment of the room is made, the occupants will be charged a replacement fee.

*Room decorations* – Students who wish to hang wall decorations are encouraged to do so from molding hooks, picture nails, or sticky dough (available from Physical Plant). Tacks, tape, or pastes are damaging and their use will lead to charges. No articles may be draped from sprinkler pipes or cover light fixtures. No decorations may be placed on doors or hallway walls. If any of these articles are deemed hazardous to life safety, they will be removed.

*Electrical Appliances* – Electric line load limitations prohibit the use of heavy-demand appliances in students’ rooms. **Air conditioners are prohibited.** Light-demand items, such as radios and stereos, may be used within limitations of safety standards. The Physical Plant staff should be consulted to ascertain the feasibility of several appliances in the same room. Refrigerators are permitted in students' rooms or in common areas, but only when they do not exceed the electric line load limitations. Keg-refrigerators are not allowed.

*Telephones in Student Rooms* – The college-wide telephone system provides a telephone in each student room. There are no installation fees, no fixed monthly charges, and no charges for local calls.

*Custodial Services* – Custodial workers are responsible for the upkeep of the lounges and the common areas.

*Damage to College Property* – The Physical Plant Department conducts periodic building and room damage checks and bills students accordingly. At the beginning and end of the summer, and whenever there is a change of occupancy, each room will be specifically checked for damages by a representative of the Physical Plant staff. A checklist will be prepared and all items needing repair or replacement (caused by other than normal wear) will be charged to the last occupant unless the charges have been previously assumed by the person or persons responsible. Students are invited to review the checklist with the Physical Plant Department at any time.

Activities that require additional cleaning in the residences, or elsewhere on campus, will necessitate special charges made to the appropriate group or person.

Damage to common areas will be assessed and repaired by the Maintenance Department at an appropriate time and charges will be made in the fairest possible way. If the person or persons who have caused the damage remain unidentified, the cost of the repairs will be divided equally among residents living in the house at the time the damage occurred. Egregious distortional damage will result in removal from summer housing.

*Roofs* – Roofs are unsafe for occupancy and are not to be used.

*Smoking* – Smoking is not allowed inside or within 50 feet of any Bates College building, including residences.

*Hard Alcohol* – Hard alcohol is not allowed in any Bates College residences.

*Pets* – Pets, including cats, dogs, mice, birds, gerbils, snakes, etc., are not permitted in campus residences.
III. SECURITY AND SAFETY

Safety and Privacy – In taking a room in a residence hall, a student assumes responsibility for the use and general care of the room and its furnishings. The College respects students' right to privacy and their desire to control their own living environment; however, the College also has the responsibility to provide quality in residential facilities to both present and future occupants. Therefore, the College retains the right to enter students' rooms, but only in cases of emergency or with cause. Except in cases of imminent danger, the occupant of the premises will be invited to be present during the examination, and will be informed of the reason for the examination and the object or information sought.

The procedures noted above may be dispensed with in unusual circumstances or if dangerous, illegal, or unsanitary materials must be removed from the premises. Whenever possible, the student will be notified in advance, unless imminent danger prohibits such a delay. This regulation in no way precludes normal maintenance care of students' rooms, including house cleaning service and review of residences for the assessment of loss and damage.

Keys – To ensure personal safety and to protect against theft, students are provided with keys to their rooms. Keys are issued from the Access Control Office. Lost keys require a lock change fee of $75.00 per key to be paid through your student account. Loss of a key causes a serious threat to security of resident students. Duplication or unauthorized possession of keys to College properties is a serious infringement and will lead to disciplinary action.

Personal Property – The College assumes no responsibility and is not insured for the loss of or damage to personal property of students. Please consult your own homeowner’s insurance policy for insuring your belongings.

Fire Protection, Firearms, and Combustible Materials – A fire in a college residence is a disaster that can be avoided by joint effort. The use of firecrackers, flares, or explosives as well as the misuse of fire escapes, fire extinguishers, and fire alarms are serious offenses and may result in suspension or dismissal. Firearms (including air guns and air soft), ammunition, and combustible materials are not permitted anywhere on-campus, except in locations provided by the Security Office. Students must make arrangements for storage with the Security Office to avoid violation of local ordinances and College regulations.

IV. SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Any student who becomes disorderly, interferes with the rights of others, damages property, or is involved in a disturbance or unacceptable social behavior, either individually or as a member of a group, will jeopardize his/her privilege of living on-campus. Serious or multiple violations of this contract will result in removal from College housing. Neither the College nor any of its employees shall be under any liability whatsoever for such removal.

Students are reminded that excessive noise often interferes with the rights of others and will not be tolerated.

V. VISITATION IN RESIDENTIAL ROOMS

Guest Policy – Guests who are not current residents of the College and who use campus facilities for more than 48 hours will face financial penalties and/or legal action. Any resident student who provides extended residence to a non-student or an off-campus student is in violation of this contract and will lose the privilege of living on campus.
VI. MAIL

During the summer months the Bates College Post Office will be available to Bates students for mail pick-up. All mail sent to students residing on campus during this period of time should be addressed to students’ permanent box numbers. Graduated seniors should contact the post office to request that their mailbox remain open for the summer.

VII. SUMMER DINING

Since those students staying on campus during the summer no longer have the option of cooking for themselves, Dining Services will provide meal plan packages. There are several packages to choose from:

2010 Summer Meal Plan Options

- 120 Meals $570.00
- 85 Meals $403.75
- 50 Meals $237.50

All Packages are non-refundable, individuals will not be reimbursed for uneaten meals, and Meal Plans cannot be used in the Den or Milts.

Meal Plans must be paid in full, there is no payment plan, and payments are to be made directly to Dining Services.

Meal availability and hours are subject to the needs of the Summer Programs on Campus. Dinning Services will provide meal hours and availability.

All students choosing to purchase a summer Meal Plan are governed by the same dining regulations that are in effect during the academic year- specifically no food is to be removed from Dining Services.

Access to Commons will be gained through the use of the Student I.D. Card. Should you have any issue with access, contact David Perreault, Board Plan Manager, at ext 8237 or via e-mail at dperreau@bates.edu

If none of the plans listed above meet your needs, please contact the Director of Dining Services, Christine Schwartz, so she can customize a plan for you.