

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maine	
COUNTY: Androscoggin	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 70-8-18-0035	DATE 8/25

1. NAME

COMMON:
Hathorn Hall

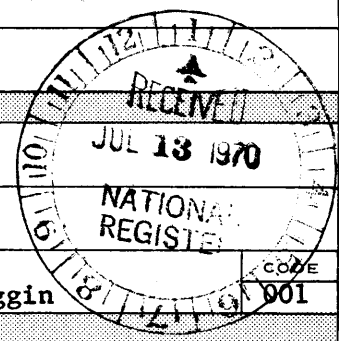
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Bates College Campus (No number)

CITY OR TOWN:
Lewiston 04240

STATE: **Maine** CODE: **18** COUNTY: **Androscoggin** CODE: **001**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/>	Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/>	Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>		Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
No: <input type="checkbox"/>					

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
President and Trustees of Bates College

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Lewiston** STATE: **Maine** CODE: **18**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Androscoggin County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Auburn** STATE: **Maine** CODE: **18**

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **LESS THAN TEN**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)	
	Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/>	Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The cornerstone of the first building of the present day Bates College was laid on June 26, 1852. The building was completed in July of 1857. The plan for this red brick, granite quoined, three story building was made by G.J.W. Bryant of Boston, one of the country's distinguished architects.

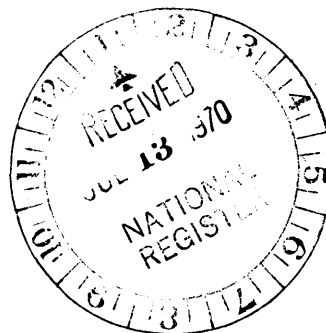
It is 86 feet long and 50 feet wide. The low roof profile rises from four sides to a ridge with compliments from low gables above the extended middle sections of the left and right sides. In the center of the roof a classic cupola crowns the high point of the roof, and houses a bronze bell.

The front entrance portico entablature and roof is supported by four fluted columns capped with Corinthian capitals. This building sets on a terrace. Two short flights of steps lead up to the entrance portico.

The second story windows have overhead fan lights in the form of an arch. The remaining windows on the first and third floors are rectangular.

The external appearance of this building has not been altered. The original interior contained recitation halls on the first and third floors. The second floor contained a library, chapel and administration office. The interior has been altered over the years to accomodate more classroom space. The library, chapel, and administration office have been moved out. Changes have been made from oil lamps to gas to electricity and in 1886 a central heating plant was installed.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) ¹⁸⁵²⁻ 1857

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal	Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric	Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Phi-		Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	losophy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Agriculture	Invention	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Art	Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Commerce	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human-		_____	
Communications	Literature	<input type="checkbox"/>	itarian	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Conservation	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Theater	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

Bates College was incorporated as the Maine State Seminary in 1856. Originally the Parsonfield Academy, Parsonfield, the college was founded by Free Baptists under a charter providing that it should be free from denominational control, yet that education and religion should be inseparably connected. The location of the college was disputed by other towns, but Lewiston's central location and subscriptions by local business men towards the building fund won the distinction. A college course was instituted in 1863 and the seminary's name was changed in honor of Benjamin E. Bates of Boston. Bates was one of the first New England colleges to become co-educational, and in 1907 it became one of the associated colleges in the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Bates is first among New England colleges in the number of its graduates who are principals of New England secondary schools.

The ~~first building of the Maine State Seminary~~ was Hathorn Hall completed in July of 1857 and named in honor of Seth and Mary Hathorn, the principal donors in the fund raising drives.

The first class at the Maine State Seminary consisted of 83 gentlemen and 54 ladies. The doors opened September 1, 1857. Enrollment increased to 353 the second year.

For the first six years of its existence, Hathorn Hall was used by the Seminary as library, chapel, lecture rooms, and office building; then, until August 1869, jointly with Bates College (which was chartered in January 1864). Thereafter the seminary department became preparatory to the College, culminating in the Nichols Latin School, and Hathorn and Parker halls became sole property of the College.

Thirty-one buildings have been added to the original two; instead of twelve acres the campus encompasses a hundred; from five students in 1863 it has grown to over eight hundred, and from a faculty of six, shared with the Seminary, to nearly seventy members in instruction and administration.

But Hathorn Hall, on the little knoll at the heart of the College, still dominates the scene, its fine proportions as pleasing to the eye and its sweeping lines as uplifting to the spirit today as in its youth. In sturdy dignity it gives promise of service to many generations of students yet to come.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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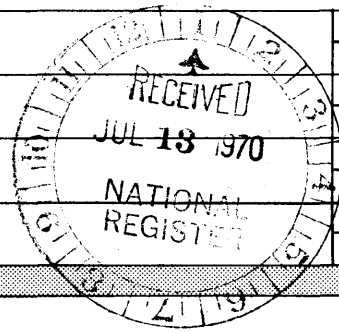
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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA **one acre**

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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
John W. Briggs, Historian

ORGANIZATION: **State Parks and Recreation Commission** DATE: **March 3, 1970**

STREET AND NUMBER:
State House

CITY OR TOWN: **Augusta** STATE: **Maine** CODE: **18**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Lawrence Stuart
Lawrence Stuart

Title Director

Date 7/9/70

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Connolly
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

AUG 25 1970

Date _____

ATTEST:
William J. Muste
Keeper of The National Register

Date **JUL 30 1970**

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Hathorn Hall
Bates College
Lewiston, Maine

Latitude:
44° 6' 23"

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70° 27' 2"



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