



BATES ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE BY-LAWS/GOALS

PURPOSE:

The Bates Accessibility Committee will establish, review, and evaluate a College-Wide Accessibility Plan and advise senior leadership in regards to inspiring and promoting effective solutions to achieve universal accessibility for employees, students, and communities.

VALUES:

When we make the college more accessible, it becomes better for all.

BY-LAWS/GOALS:

1. Establish and review any and all relevant policies related to Bates campus access and recommend instituting policies, necessary changes, and updates to senior leadership and the President's cabinet.
2. Review issues related to physical access, emergency preparedness, and general equity and inclusion of people with disabilities on campus.
3. Propose and maintain standards to improve digital accessibility.
4. Work in partnership with Information Technology (IT) Department on issues regarding policies and procedures addressing accessible technology and providing technical assistance and solutions.
5. Assist in the development of a College-Wide Technology Accessibility Plan that identifies how Bates will ensure that new technologies can become accessible and detail a plan for making existing technologies accessible.
6. Promote educational programs, training opportunities and/or professional development for faculty and staff.
7. Expand and maintain an evaluation methodology for current and future information technology endeavors.

STANDING POSITIONS:

- Cabinet
- eLearning and Library Manager
- Information Technology (IT)
- Marketing & Communications
- Instructional Dean
- Disability Services
- ASG
- General Education Faculty
- Career Training Faculty
- Non-Teaching Faculty
- Student Services
- Member(s)-at-large (1 positions)

REPORTING PROCEDURES:

Reporting from the Accessibility Committee will be distributed to the following areas:

- Bates Website <https://batestech.edu>
- College Council
- BAT Meetings
- College Cabinet Meetings