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Department Government

Position Summary Bowdoin College's Department of Government and Legal Studies invites applications for a full-time benefits-eligible visiting assistant professor appointment in international relations. The one-year appointment will begin July 1, 2026. The teaching load is two courses per semester, at least one of which should be Introduction to International Relations; U.S. Foreign Policy is strongly preferred as a second course. Beyond that, we are especially interested in candidates specializing in international security, peace and conflict processes, or a regional focus in the Middle East/North Africa. A PhD is expected by the date of appointment.

Bowdoin College offers opportunities for professional development including robust programming and resources for establishing and enhancing mentoring networks. The College also offers support for teaching, scholarship, publication, artificial intelligence initiatives, computing software, conference travel, and community partnerships in courses. We regret that Bowdoin is unable to provide visa sponsorship for visiting faculty positions.

At Bowdoin, we are committed to inclusive excellence, an ongoing collective practice that honors our institutional commitment to provide an outstanding liberal arts education and serve the common good. The College is home to talented undergraduate students, faculty, and staff and we encourage applications from candidates committed to the inclusive instruction and support of a diverse student population, and those who will enrich and contribute to the College's multifaceted diversity.

Accessibility during the application and interview stages, as well as once employed, is a priority of the College: <https://www.bowdoin.edu/accessibility/index.html>.

Bowdoin College accepts only electronic submissions. Please visit <https://careers.bowdoin.edu> to submit: 1) a cover letter that includes a summary of your scholarly focus and a description of your teaching philosophy and practice, including how you create learning environments that prepare students to interact constructively with different people, spaces, situations, and ideas; 2) a curriculum vitae; and 3) the names and contact information for three references who have agreed to provide letters of recommendation. Letters will be automatically requested from the references of candidates invited for interviews.

Review of applications will begin on **January 20, 2026**, and continue until the position is filled. The search process, including interview, will be conducted remotely. The targeted hiring salary range for this appointment based on the position requirements is \$73,000 – \$77,000.

Founded in 1794, Bowdoin has maintained its commitment to the liberal arts for well over 200 years. Bowdoin's reputation as a preeminent liberal arts college rests on the excellence of its faculty, students, and staff; intimate size; strong sense of community; and connections to the people, history, and natural beauty of Maine. Bowdoin's campus is situated in a beautiful natural setting. Located in Brunswick, Maine, a town of approximately 20,000, the College is a short drive from the Maine coast, twenty-five miles from Portland and 120 miles from Boston. Bowdoin College complies with applicable provisions of federal and state laws that prohibit unlawful discrimination in employment, admission, or access to its educational or extracurricular programs, activities, or facilities based on race, color, ethnicity, ancestry and national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, age, marital status, place of birth, genetic predisposition, veteran status, or against qualified individuals with physical or mental disabilities on the basis of disability, or any other legally protected statuses. For further information about the College and our department, please visit our website: <http://www.bowdoin.edu>.

Posting Date 12/11/2025

Applications Accepted Until

Open Until Filled	Yes
Special Instructions to Applicants	<p><i>At the time of application, you will be required to include information for three references, including name, title, email address, phone number and how you know the reference.</i></p> <p><i>Reference providers will receive an automatically-generated email from the application system if the application reaches a certain stage during the review process. The email will provide them a link to upload a confidential reference letter on your behalf.</i></p> <p><i>You will not be able to view the reference letters but will be able to see how many have been submitted on your behalf.</i></p>
Employment Category	Full Time Year Round
Job Start Date	07/01/2026
Job End Date	
Job Type	Faculty
Background Check Package Requirements	Faculty/Administrative

Applicant Documents

Required Documents

1. Resume / Curriculum Vitae
2. Cover Letter

Optional Documents

Supplemental Questions

Required fields are indicated with an asterisk (*).

1. * How did you hear about this position?

- Indeed.com
- Chronicle of Higher Education
- Diverse Issues in Higher Ed
- Facebook
- Glassdoor
- Google Search
- HigherEdJobs.com
- InsideHigherEd.com
- LinkedIn
- Twitter
- MANP
- Maine Job Link
- LiveandWorkinMaine.com
- Employee Referral
- Bowdoin College Website
- Radio Ad
- TechMaine
- NCAA
- CASE
- Other

2. If you answered Employee Referral or Other, please specify here:
(Open Ended Question)