



**UMS TRUSTEES TO MEET IN BANGOR ON JANUARY 28**

*A number of major board-directed initiatives to be discussed*

BANGOR – The Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System will meet on Monday, January 28, at the System Office headquarters in downtown Bangor.

Trustees will receive updates on a number of major Board-directed initiatives which are now under way, including: an [academic credit transfer plan](#) which will make it easier for students to move among Maine's public universities and from the community colleges; a plan to enhance [baccalaureate degree completion among Maine adults](#) who have some college credits; and an update on an [outcomes-based funding model](#) and System-wide administrative review.

Chancellor James H. Page will also inform Trustees on the progress of a major public-private partnership between higher education and Maine businesses—called [Project Login](#)—which will increase the number of computer science and IT graduates in order to better meet Maine's workforce demands.

A new [academic program in aviation](#) at the University of Maine at Augusta will be considered by Trustees. The program is geared toward students interested in becoming FAA-certified commercial pilots and receiving a comprehensive baccalaureate degree.

Other agenda items to be considered and reviewed include facilities-related projects, including:

- Renovations to UMaine's [Estabrooke Hall](#) for a new collaborative/active learning classroom;
- Replacement of a two [antiquated oil-fired boilers](#) at the University of Maine at Farmington's Merrill Hall and installation of [80 geothermal wells](#); and
- A [gift of 200 acres of undeveloped land](#) abutting the University of Maine at Machias campus;

Complete meeting materials for the January UMS Board of Trustees meeting may be viewed at:

[http://www.maine.edu/board/meeting\\_agenda.php](http://www.maine.edu/board/meeting_agenda.php).

Established in 1968, the University of Maine System is the state's largest educational enterprise. It has an annual enrollment of more than 40,000 students and serves over 500,000 individuals annually through educational and cultural offerings. Two-thirds of its alumni—approximately 120,000 people—live in Maine. The University of Maine System features seven universities—some with multiple campuses—located across the state, as well as eight University College outreach centers, a law school, and an additional 31 course

sites. For more information, visit [www.maine.edu](http://www.maine.edu).

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