

BRYN MAWR COLLEGE

PLAN FOR A NEW CENTURY

Introduction

Bryn Mawr College seeks to provide a genuinely rigorous education and to encourage the pursuit of knowledge as preparation for life and work. The College shares these goals and its fundamental character as a residential liberal arts college with a cohort

most exciting and effective teachers —As one might expect of an institution with a

student:faculty ratio of 9:1, Bryn Mawr students develop close working

relationships with their professors. Faculty members advise students personally

easy reach of public transportation. In addition, regularly scheduled and frequent train service along the northeast corridor makes travel to Washington and New York speedy and convenient.

4. The Consortium. In the belief that the future strength of liberal arts colleges depends on their ability to work closely with surrounding institutions. Brvn Mawr

generation of highly motivated students and firmly rooted in the College's traditional strengths.

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undergraduates are science majors; in 1999-2000, 10% of the members of the junior class are mathematics majors. We must advertise such facts and improve

educational, and professional community of our region. We will seek ways to make the College arguably the region's most illustrious institution dedicated to

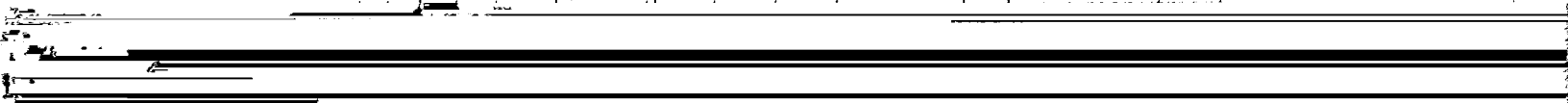
accomplishment in those areas. These successes have been achieved despite the less-than-ideal facilities in which rehearsal as well as performance must be conducted. If a fully renovated arts center remains a somewhat ambitious and

additional gallery space, and improved dance space. We see a growing interest on the part of students in including arts courses in their programs of study, no matter

a seminar room and offices. Most of these needs for space can be met within the square footage gained through the conversion to instructional and office space of the currently unused Bettws-y-Coed and through programming the proposed centers into the renovations of Dalton and Thomas.*

Each center would create a community-wide forum through scheduling conferences, lectures, and colloquia. Topics might be usefully clustered around a broad theme each year with an eye to maintaining focus and to assuring engagement with the most meaningful scholarship in a variety of disciplines. A center might define a research agenda, produce publications and seek external funding; it might enhance curricular development in departments and programs (including the College Seminar Program) that

such as international business, law, diplomacy, and public health. It will also



that our required coursework effectively develops each student's written, spoken, and quantitative skills.

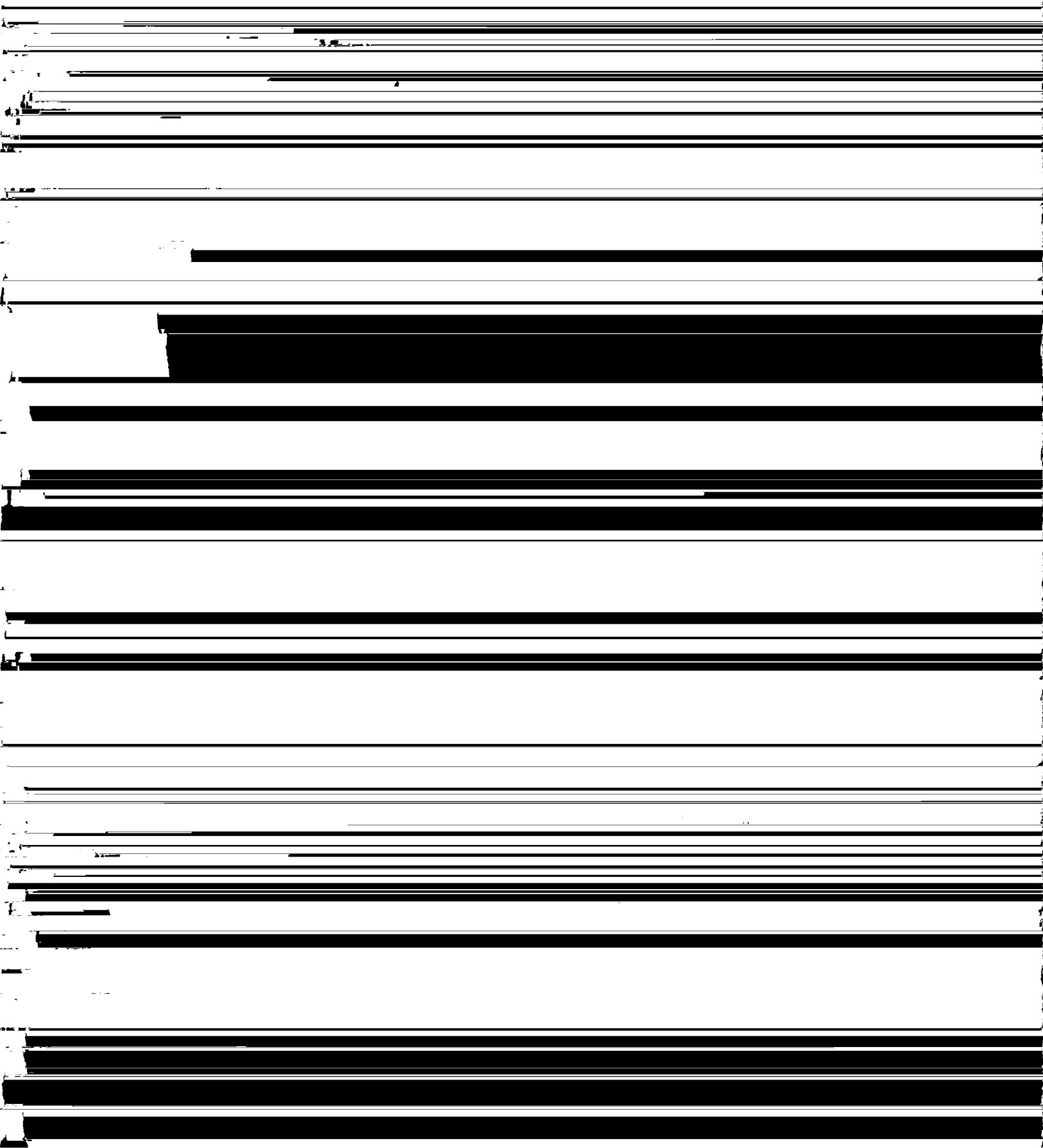
- Bryn Mawr must extend possibilities for service learning, internships, and undergraduate research. One of the hallmarks of a Bryn Mawr education has been the opportunity for students to "get their hands dirty" by doing research, whether in the laboratory, the field, or the archive. Growing numbers of students now seek to expand that experience to include applications of their studies to the world beyond the campus: in community service, in career exploration, in observing and assisting in schools, and in international venues. To meet this expectation, we must seek ways of integrating such experience in a wide range of academic and co-curricular programs. We must provide additional funding and professional staff to support this initiative.

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Expanding Opportunities in Athletics. Women are participating in athletics as never before; they are preparing for lives that will be active

physically as well as intellectually. Bryn Mawr's athletics program calls

- With a student to faculty ratio among the best in the nation, it is clear that we need



With bold and creative vision, with the energy of a dedicated community, and with the support of generous benefactors, Bryn Mawr will offer in the twenty-first century an education that is second to none.

**Endorsed by a unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees of Bryn Mawr College
March 4, 2000**

*Note: A long-range facilities plan has already been approved by the Board, and the next capital campaign will include...