



MAINE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING CAMPUS: A JOINT HIGHER EDUCATION VENTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AND SOUTHERN MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The University of Maine (UMaine) and Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) plan to enter into a collaborative venture at the Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS) to develop the "Maine Advanced Technology & Engineering Campus (MATEC)." The goal of the campus will be to serve as a higher education and R&D magnet to attract new industries and support current businesses in the mid coast region of Maine. The focus will be precision manufacturing, advanced energy systems, ship/boat building and composites.

A well-educated workforce with access to research, development and commercialization expertise is essential to maintaining Maine's current high-tech industries and growing new ones. This need will become ever greater in the years ahead. MATEC will work in collaboration with businesses and industries to fill just such a need. This will be critical to attracting new ventures to Maine and ensuring that the people of the state have the opportunity to participate in the region's economic revival.



The MATEC venture will:

- Provide a higher education collaborative that will support economic development of the mid coast region by supporting new businesses and industries coming to Maine while also helping existing enterprises expand and prosper;
- Support an incubator center in manufacturing, advanced energy systems and related industries;
- Expand existing support to composite and manufacturing programs;
- Have seamless transfer programs from associate to bachelor's and master's degrees;
- Partner with the Maine Composites Alliance, Maine Manufacturers Association, Bath Iron Works and others on workforce development, innovation, product development and commercialization

