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Colby College Joins QuestBridge as 36th Partner

Palo Alto, California (May 27, 2015) – QuestBridge is pleased to announce that Colby College, a private liberal arts college located in central Maine, has joined the organization as its 36th partner college.

QuestBridge partners with highly selective colleges and universities in the United States to offer outstanding educational opportunities to high-achieving low-income students. All partners share a commitment to increasing the presence of these students on their campuses, and to making college affordable to all admitted students, regardless of their financial background.

“Colby College and QuestBridge share the vision of a global society that embraces leaders from diverse backgrounds and perspectives,” said Colby College President David A. Greene. “To achieve this goal we must invest in exceptionally talented students with the capacity to excel and ultimately lead in a broad array of fields. Our partnership with QuestBridge serves as an important pathway for highly talented low-income students to join our community of scholars and benefit from the intensive academic experience Colby provides.”

Colby College, the country’s 12th oldest private liberal arts college, is located in Waterville, Maine and enrolls 1,850 students from every state and from more than 80 countries. Like all partner colleges, Colby offers excellent academic programs in a variety of fields and will meet 100% of a student’s demonstrated financial need. Colby does not include loans in their financial aid packages, meaning that students can graduate debt-free.

“We are extraordinarily excited about working with QuestBridge,” said Vice President and Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Matt Proto. “The partnership presents several opportunities to collaborate to help low-income students aim high in their college aspirations and achieve success. We are honored to have been selected as a new partner college.”

Students will be able to apply to Colby — and be considered for a full scholarship offered by the college — through the 2015 QuestBridge National College Match. Applications will open in summer 2015 and students will be notified of their outcome in December.

About QuestBridge:

QuestBridge, a national non-profit based in Palo Alto, California, connects the nation’s most exceptional, low-income youth with leading institutions of higher education and further life opportunities. By recruiting, developing, and motivating these students — beginning in high school through college to their first job — QuestBridge aims to increase the percentage of talented low-income students attending the nations’ best colleges and to support them to achieve success in the respective careers and communities.

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