

*Summer
Commencement
Exercises*

College of Humanities Convocation

Brigham Young University
August 17, 2007
2:00 p.m.
Marriott Center

Program

Administrative Representative	Brent W. Webb Associate Academic Vice President— Research and Graduate Studies
Organ Prelude and Processional	Walter Whipple Associate Teaching Professor of Polish
Conducting	John R. Rosenberg, Dean College of Humanities
Invocation	Jared Daniel Loehrmann BA German
Remarks	Dean Rosenberg
Talk by Student Representative	Alison Stone Roberg BA English
Organ Solo Concerto in A Minor Allegro (after Vivaldi) by Johann Sebastian Bach	Walter Whipple
Convocation Speaker	Claudia Harris Professor of English
Presentation of Graduate Certificates and Master's Degrees	
Presentation of Baccalaureate Degrees	
Benediction	Yvette Clark BA English Language
Recessional	Walter Whipple

Scholastic Recognition

Candidates for Summa Cum Laude

Summa cum laude is awarded to the top 1.0 percent of those students receiving bachelor's degrees who have earned at least 45 hours of credit at Brigham Young University.

Robert K. Ellis
Heather Patricia Griffey
Kimball
Rachel Ann Seely

Candidates for Magna Cum Laude

Magna cum laude is awarded to the top 1.1 to 5.0 percent of those students receiving bachelor's degrees who have earned at least 45 hours of credit at Brigham Young University.

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Simeon Scott Brandon
Lori Ann Bruton
David Robert Choules
Yvette Clark
Mikayla W. Clarkson
Catherine Curtis
Sarah Louise Cutler
Carolyn June Carr Dyer
Lauren Alice Everett
Krista Renae Garbett
Christine Elaine Gardner
Emily Ann Shizuko Inouye
Steven Michael Kent
Marianne Lind
Jared Daniel Loehrmann
Trent James Mikesell
Rachel Westover Nielson
Bradley Nathan Olsen
Alison Stone Roberg
Christopher Greg Rosenvall
Allen Wayne Stoddard
Nathan Noble Waite

Candidates for Cum Laude

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Wynn Landon Costley
James Craig Dalrymple II
Julianne S. Harmon
Elizabeth Ann Pinborough
Lisa Verina Salazar
Derek Morgan Thain
Eric Landon Tutt
Andrew Michael Weech
Stephanie Ann Wood

Graduates with University Honors

The following graduates have met the requirements for the university's highest graduation distinction. Typically these students have completed at least 22 credits of honors courses, maintained a high GPA, demonstrated proficiency in mathematics and a foreign language, completed a Great Works list and a service project, submitted a portfolio of their best work, and written and defended an honors thesis.

Simeon Scott Brandon
J. Eric Bybee
Nicholas Eli David
Jakob Nathan Jarvis
Daniel Nicholas Kirk
Alison Stone Roberg
Rachel Ann Seely
Rachel Ann Skaggs

Graduating Members of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Jillian Elizabeth Barnes
David Robert Choules
Yvette Clark
Sarah Louise Cutler
Christine Elaine Gardner
Steven Michael Kent
Marianne Lind
Jared Daniel Loehrmann
John M Madsen
Trent James Mikesell
Bradley Nathan Olsen
Elizabeth Ann Pinborough
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Lisa Verina Salazar
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Graduate Programs

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREES

English

Joshua Benjamin Bullough
Aubrey Lea Hammer
Adrienne Gardner Malan
Sara Deborah Nyffenegger
Nathan C. Phillips
Andrew Boyce Schultz
Ryan Solomon
Holly Venable
Shelton M. Weech
Terrol Roark Williams

French and Italian

FRENCH

Kathleen L. Allen
Christopher Martin Flood
Baptiste Marc Prevot

Humanities, Classics, Comparative Literature

COMPARATIVE STUDIES

Jason R. Francis
Gerald Edwin Hansen III
Elizabeth Lyman
Michael F. Pope
Katherine May Stirling

Language Acquisition

Leslie Ricks Bachelder
Sara Lyn Jensen
Valentina Nikolayevna Dunn

Linguistics and English Language

LINGUISTICS

Russell S. Ahlstrom
Kelly Ann Hill Zirker

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

George William Clair Bailey
Grant Taylor Eckstein
Kristen Marie Kohler

Melissa Marie McCardell
Landon
Laura Kathleen Steeby Robins
Heather Colleen Torrie

Spanish and Portuguese

SPANISH

Jessie Louise Christensen
Blake C. Crossley
Benjamin W. Eliason
Angela RoseMarie Weech

GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Rubynara Maria Amancio
de Carvalho
Ming-Shiang Lee
Ashley Anderson Speirs
Hiroko Yoshinaga-Hamada

Baccalaureate Degrees

American Studies

Kerry Soper, Director

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Celeste Priday Anderson
Katherine Nibley Isom Bills
Lori Ann Bruton
Lindsey Marie Bullock
Jason Jones Butterfield
Robert Benjamin de Ruyter
Kimberly Harman
Levi Matthew McPherson
Charles Mitchell
JeniLynn Robyn Parr
Angela Woodard

Asian and Near Eastern Languages

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CHINESE

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John David Bishoff
Meagan Michele Brady
Alyson J. Brandon
Peter J. Butler
Cheryl Ann Carlstrom

Craig Lee Cheek
Kimberly L. Christenson
Christina Marie Ciancanelli
Mikayla W. Clarkson
Mandy Miller Clive
Michelle Halley Collett
Brittany Ruth Renee Cameron
Corbett
Jeramie Johnson Crabtree
Catherine Curtis
Sarah Louise Cutler
James Craig Dalrymple II
Allison Mary Carthy Davies
Megan Barnhill Downey
Daniel Neill Dunn
Carolyn June Carr Dyer
Robert K Ellis
Michael Escalante
Mary A. Essuman
Lauren Alice Everett
John Andrew Fife
Tamara Ann Fillerup
Britta Lisa Gifford
Scott Liam Gill
Richard Tanner Graham
Kayleen Green
Donald Daniel Hansen
Julianne S. Harmon
Diana S Harter
Stephanie Ann Heideman
Jonas John Hemenway
Walter Dayton Hohmann
Rebecca Lane Holmes
Becky DeVocht Jensen
Delys Ilene Jenson
Afton Jylare Johnson
Marc C. Jones
Alaina K Jordan
Charles Michael Judd
Steven Michael Kent
Rachel Ann Leetham
Kristin L. Lowe
Mindy Marie Lukens
John Mark Madsen
Wendy Sarah Madsen
Courtney McPhie Mangum
Michael Paul Martinez
Ryan Bruce McIlvain
Michael Forest Meservy
Audrey Elizan Bryant Miller
Kressyda Rachelle Ming
Devan Lewis Mitchell
R. Kelly Monson
Holly Tanner Moore
Eliza M. Nevin
Chanell Elizabeth Nielson
Eric Lorenz Olavson
Angie Pedersen
Kathryn Kriste Peterson
Janelle Rose Phipps
Elizabeth Jane Pilling
Elizabeth Ann Pinborough

Natalie Evans Pitt
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Meghan Elise Potts
Sally Britton Weisler Rice
Alison Stone Roberg
Christopher Greg Rosenvall
Kinzie Sue Roundy
Michael Dean Rowen
Lisa Verina Salazar
Andrew James Schleiffarth
Emily Anne Sessions
Rachel Ann Skaggs
Warren Ervin Smith
Allen Wayne Stoddard
Tyler Janene Strieby
Derek Morgan Thain
Miriam Mitchell Tribe
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Nathan Noble Waite
Alicia Joan Weatherspoon
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ENGLISH TEACHING

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Nels Cole Johnson
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General Studies

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Rachel Brown Whittle

Convocation Participants and Honoree

Yvette Clark is first and foremost a mother. After graduating from Timpview High School in Provo, she began studying at BYU. During her year-and-a-half enrollment she married Sheffer Clark and soon after decided to leave BYU to start her family. She and Sheffer became the proud parents of four children: Abigail, Daniel, Madeleine, and Christian. When the Clarks' oldest child was accepted to BYU, Yvette decided to finish her own degree. In spite of a 20-year absence from formal schooling, she has found her study of English language and editing to be most rewarding. She credits her family—who have made her education a family priority for three years—with helping her finish school. Yvette is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Golden Key honor societies and is now graduating magna cum laude, but she acknowledges that her greatest achievement has always been and will continue to be her family.

Jared Daniel Loehrmann was born and raised in Germany, where he also served a full-time mission. As a child he looked forward to becoming a diplomat but as a teenager discovered his gift for teaching. After he married his wife, Jessica, in the Washington D.C. Temple in August 2003, Jared enrolled at BYU in German literature. His academic endeavors were recognized when he made the dean's list in 2005 and was initiated into Golden Key, Phi Kappa Phi, and Delta Phi Alpha honor societies. He also served as president of the Humanities College Student Council. As an undergraduate Jared published three scholarly articles and recently returned from a research trip to Vienna, Austria, where he collected information for his master's thesis. During his time at BYU he has served in a bishopric, in Sunday School, and in an elders quorum presidency. In 2008 he will begin working on his PhD in German literature at the University of California, Davis. He hopes one day to join the ranks of BYU faculty.

Alison Stone Roberg has lived in the Pacific Northwest, Midwest, East Coast, and Mountain West. Her parents, Scott and Lori Stone, reside in Bridgewater, New Jersey, where Alison attended high school. She doesn't have a New Jersey accent, but she claims it as home. She had a brush with fame in 1999 as a contestant in the National Spelling Bee, making it to the fifth round. Alison has spent most of her life reading and writing and has happily continued these activities while pursuing a degree in English on a Gordon B. Hinckley Presidential Scholarship. In 2005, while participating in Study Abroad in Great Britain, she began writing personal essays, which would later become her honors thesis. In fall 2006 she won the George H. Brimhall Memorial Essay Contest and delivered her winning essay at BYU's Homecoming assembly. Alison's interests within her field include creative writing and women's literature. This fall she and her husband, Brandon, will begin their graduate programs at BYU, studying English and psychology, respectively.

Convocation Speaker

Claudia Harris earned two MEd degrees from Georgia State University—one in English and one in counseling and psychological services—and a PhD from Emory University. Her academic specializations are 20th-century drama and modern and contemporary Irish and British literature with a focus on women’s studies. Professor Harris’s interdisciplinary PhD in cultural studies has led her to an anthropological and performance-theory approach to the study of Irish drama.

Now in her 14th year at BYU, she teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in her specialties. Her master’s degrees enhanced her interest in group dynamics and the social implications of education, which she integrates into her classroom methods, consisting primarily of discussion. Working in groups, performing scenes, writing short plays, keeping journals, and giving response papers are additional favored teaching approaches. Dr. Harris’s concern that students learn to think and write clearly stems from her work as a communications consultant with various government agencies since 1973.

Her focus on Irish drama informs both her teaching and her scholarship and necessitates her frequent travel to Ireland. As a theater critic she regularly publishes reviews in the *Salt Lake Tribune* (Utah) and *Backstage* (New York) as well as other national and international newspapers, magazines, and journals. Through her roles as a member of the American Theater Critics Association and as cochair of the association’s international committee, she is able to observe theater throughout the world. She also writes and directs plays and musicals, thereby adding a creative and practical dimension to her understanding of theater.