

*Spring  
Commencement  
Exercises*

**College of Humanities Convocation**

Brigham Young University  
April 20, 2012  
5:00 p.m.  
Marriott Center

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## Program

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Administrative Representative	Brent W. Webb Academic Vice President
Organ Prelude and Processional	Christian R. Clement Assistant Professor of German
Conducting	John R. Rosenberg, Dean College of Humanities
Invocation	Matthew Bateman Rees BA French Studies
Remarks	Dean Rosenberg
Talk by Student Representative	Rachel Eva Kirkwood BA English
Musical Number Medley of "How Can I Keep From Singing?" & "Lead Kindly Light," written by Robert Wadsworth Lowry and John B. Dykes. Arranged by Lisa Jean Allred and Brian Jensen.	Lisa Jean Allred, Piano BA English Aviann Dee Germany, Harp BA English Jennifer Grace Jones, Violin BA English Benjamin Gunnar Murphy, Tenor BA English Karin Alexis (Lexie) Orvin, Soprano BA English Patria Isabel Pusey, Oboe BA English
Graduation Speaker	Dr. Brandie R Siegfried Associate Professor of English
Presentation of Master's Degrees and Graduate Certificates	
Presentation of Baccalaureate Degrees	
Benediction	Claudia Cecilia Hernandez BA Spanish Translation
Recessional	Christian R. Clement

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## Scholastic Recognition

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### Candidates for Summa Cum Laude

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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.

Rachel Eva Kirkwood  
Heather Dalton Zollinger

#### DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES

Jessica Anderson  
Derrick W. Aud  
Braden James Boyer

### Candidates for Magna Cum Laude

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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 University.

Katherine N Brandt  
Jonathon Ronald Evans  
Ashley Kristine Gengler  
Claudia Cecilia Hernandez  
Jennifer Grace Jones  
Shannon Kelly  
Kade Shumway Lyman  
Kylie Michelle McQuarrie  
Leigh Elle Meister  
Hillary Nicole Mousley  
Kevin J Pace  
Matthew Bateman Rees  
Stetson Jon Robinson  
Rachel Kathryn Rueckert  
Matthew R. Skanchy  
Whitney Mikell Sorensen  
Emi Takabori  
Tyler Graham Tarpenning  
Claire Warnick

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Joanna Ashlyn Barker  
Candace Veryl Firl  
Felicia Ann Fordham  
Jessica Cameron Larsen  
Sabrina Rosette Makaju  
Stephanie Suzanne Price

### Candidates for Cum Laude

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Cum laude is awarded to the top 5.1 to 10.0 percent of those students receiving bachelor's degrees who have earned at least 45 hours of credit at Brigham Young University.

Regan Celeste Baker  
Lauren M. Bangerter  
Emily Hall Bates  
Sandra Kaye Brunson  
Natalli Dawn Ellsworth  
Aviann Dee Germany  
Suzanne Michelle Gillis  
Amy Jeneen Johnson  
Aaron R Kestle  
Frederik Sebastian Kleiner  
Brittney Nikol Kunzler  
Benjamin J Miller  
Kevin Solis Pooley  
Kristen Lee Priday  
Camille Kathryn Richey  
Jaron Andrew Smith  
Lindsay Elizabeth Stevens  
John Jeffrey Wiest  
Corina Marie Williams  
Shannon Marie Williams

#### DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES

Emily Jayne Andrus  
Jarom W Blackhurst  
Kaley R Shoaf

### Graduates with University Honors

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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.

Melissa Ellsworth  
Lori Michelle Fuller  
Marc Daniel Giullian  
Allison Kai Hyman  
Leigh Elle Meister  
Rachel Kathryn Rueckert  
Lauren Elaine Truman  
Moana Ffolini 'Ulu'ave  
John Jeffrey Wiest

#### DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATE

Bridgette Day Tuckfield

### Graduating Members of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

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Regan Celeste Baker  
Emily Hall Bates  
Katherine N Brandt  
Jonathon Ronald Evans  
Suzanne Michelle Gillis  
David M Hallowell  
Jennifer Grace Jones  
Shannon Kelly  
Kade Shumway Lyman  
Kylie Michelle McQuarrie  
Leigh Elle Meister  
Rachel Anna Messenger  
Aaron Stephen Meyers  
Kevini Solis Pooley  
Matthew Bateman Rees  
Rachel Kathryn Rueckert  
Matthew R. Skancy  
Trevor Mark Slezak  
Emi Takabori  
Lauren Elaine Truman  
Claire Warnick  
John Jeffrey Wiest  
Corina Marie Williams

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Jarom W Blackhurst  
Braden James Boyer  
Jessica Cameron Larsen  
Catherine Shaw  
Elizabeth Sara West

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## Graduate Programs

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### MASTER OF FINE ARTS DEGREES

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#### Creative Writing

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Scott Russell Morris

DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATE  
Brooklyn Bunker Evans

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### MASTER OF ARTS DEGREES

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#### English

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Rebecca Quist Barlow  
Stephen Clancy Clawson  
David Erland Isaksen  
Andrew Mark Merrill  
Toni Elise Pilcher  
Ashley Noelle Walton  
Andrew Robert Wells  
Celeste Lloyd Zsembery

#### French and Italian

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Liel Ysandre Boyce  
Haleigh Heaps Burgon  
Dennis Scott Meyer

#### Germanic and Slavic Languages

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Nathan Jensen Bates  
Carrie Lynn Cox

### Humanities, Classics, and Comparative Literature

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#### COMPARATIVE STUDIES

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Jaime Lynn Davis

DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATE  
Shannon Dame

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#### Language Acquisition

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Alexandra Brattos

DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES  
Amberly Patch Betteridge  
Jeongwoon Kim  
Heather Walsh Shelley

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#### Linguistics and English Language

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#### LINGUISTICS

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Andrea L. Bowden

DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES  
Meghan Elizabeth Aitken  
Jung-Eun Chung  
Kyle Frank Johnson

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#### Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

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Carrie Lane Drake  
Beth Anne Firnges  
Eimi Priddis

### Spanish and Portuguese

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#### SPANISH

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Morella Ruscitti Caceres  
Brandon Michael Apffel  
Rogers

DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES  
J. Wyatt Brockbank  
Mary Williams Crane  
David Scott Dalton  
Richard Andrew Henriksen  
Desirae de Almeida Oliveira

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#### GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

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#### Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

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Kayle Sue Aune  
Courtney Price Bodily  
Rebecca Jean Bunker  
Sofia Laura Carreno Galdame  
Chelsea LeAnne Coronel  
Tarryn Goodman  
Caitlin Jolley  
Kendon C. Kurzer  
Austin Cody Pack  
Marie Naomi Richardson  
Alison Divett Roberts  
Heather Walsh Shelley  
Li Ping Su  
Shelby Biranne Werner

DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES  
Heather Elizabeth Bullock  
Rachel Kathleen Pollock

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## Baccalaureate Degrees

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### American Studies

Kristin Matthews, Director

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#### BACHELOR OF ARTS

Tara A Biggerstaff  
Michelle Lee Catts  
Jacob Clark  
Melissa Ellsworth  
Jennifer Susan Foote  
Alisa Suzanne Hardy  
David Reid Hawkins Jr.  
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Kristen Lee Priday  
Kaitlyn Ann Rogers  
Ashley Elizabeth Seelos  
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Shurtleff  
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Stephen H Covey  
Suzan Kennedy Gerber  
Hansen  
Boyd Cooper Johnson  
Melissa Hanako Perritt  
Amanda Crabtree Weston

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### Asian and Near Eastern Languages

J. Scott Miller, Chair

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#### CHINESE

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Kyle John Newton  
Jeremy Scott Pendleton  
David Laren Quilter  
Brady Scott Rice  
Joseph Robins  
Todd D Robins  
Clara Elaine Stratford  
Lloyd Michael Winkelman

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James Wade Pettingill  
Noel Benjamin Pountain  
Kristy Rowberry Wilcox

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Adolfo Antonio Pacheco  
Ji Young Park  
Tyler Graham Tarpenning  
Christopher Michael Walker  
Leonard Masaya Watabe

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Virgel McKay Jacobson  
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#### KOREAN

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Grant  
G. Michael Jeffrey Lawrence  
Chanki Lee  
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Andrew Paul Thomas  
Gina Chong Walker  
Tyler L Wilkins

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**French and Italian**

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**FRENCH STUDIES**

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**RUSSIAN**

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**Humanities, Classics,  
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**CLASSICAL STUDIES**

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**COMPARATIVE LITERATURE**

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**HUMANITIES**

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Miriam Elizabeth Deaver  
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Freeman  
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Jaden Kamile Stewart  
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**LATIN TEACHING**

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Andrew B Kimball

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**Linguistics and  
English Language**

William G. Eggington, Chair

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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

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Hwanhi Chung  
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Heidi Anne Curzon

Jessica Ann Dyer  
Natali Dawn Ellsworth  
Lori Michelle Fuller  
Gentri Rose Glaittli  
Daria Yuryevna Hodges  
Margaret Woodbury Jensen  
Erica Loraine Keck  
Hillary Nicole Mousley  
Dennis Ohiku  
Liege C F Pradera  
Michelle Rebecca Stoll  
Jonathan Jerry Timothy

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Caitlin Marie Jones  
Kaley R Shoaf  
Ekaterina Yuryevna  
Vinnichenko

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**LINGUISTICS**

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Mariah Kathryn Krauel  
Matthew Ryan LeGare  
Kyoung sun Lim  
Leilani D. Clifford Maldonado  
Rachel Anna Messenger  
Gwendolyn Patricia Zane  
Mitchell  
Michelle Morgan  
Kevin J Pace  
Hyun Ju Park  
Daniel Evan Paul  
Craig Jonathan Paulus  
Jorge Alejandro Reyes  
Hernández  
Stetson Jon Robinson  
Alicia Barbara Russell  
David Matthew Savage  
Jeong-Sim Seo  
Rachel Joyce Sleight  
Mattison Wayne Donald  
Smith  
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Steven Tanner Foster  
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Linda L Hunt  
Edwin D May  
Sarah Michele Robison  
Min Hye Song  
Bridgette Day Tuckfield  
Timothy Michael Wallace

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**Philosophy**

Daniel W. Graham, Chair

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**PHILOSOPHY**

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Schuyler Marie Burton  
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Rasmussen  
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Ashley Kristine Gengler  
Mariah McKinley Hill  
Kevin Solis Pooley  
Evan Thomas Stewart

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Sean M Ford  
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**Spanish and Portuguese**

David P. Laraway, Chair

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**PORTUGUESE**

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Zachary Edward Gilson  
Jonathan Andrew  
McCullough  
Kristopher William Paries  
Cade Shiozaki  
Travis Jay Skeen  
Renata Godoy Tymoschenko

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Nolan Derek Cordon  
Daniel Edwin Klinger  
Michael James Westover

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**SPANISH**

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Lark Ducoeur  
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David Levi Hoffman  
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Dallin V Larsen  
Alex John Lyman  
Zackery T Milne  
Elizabeth Montero Mattos  
Paul Scott Murff  
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Nathan Robert Rowley  
Mitchell Kent Schaefer  
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Jeremy Bruce Glauser  
Stephen Ryan Greenwood  
Charles Robert Hofheins  
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Trevor Charles Seal  
Anthony Ryder Stepp  
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Corey Nicole Dalton  
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**SPANISH TRANSLATION**

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Aaron R Kestle  
Ruth Elideth Acosta Nocelo  
Michelle S Rivera  
Elizabeth Snyder  
Debra Selonna Taylor  
Melanie Samantha Villanueva  
Jordan Jackson Woods

**DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES**

Bridgette R. Ethington  
Robyn Dianna Stagg

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**Independent Study**

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**GENERAL STUDIES**

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Jared Lukas Gorden  
Rachel Ann Hixson  
Meghan Kirk Little  
Debra Egan Randall  
Christine Pearl Wiltermood

**DECEMBER 2011 GRADUATES**

Lou Ella J. Boothe  
Aselin Spellman Maloney  
Melinda Hansen Morley  
Monique Nikolaus Morrison  
Andrea Jackson Noorlander  
Melanie McLaughlin  
Whitmore



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## Convocation Participants

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**Lisa Jean Allred** is an English major with a minor in music. Hailing from Twin Falls, Idaho, her parents Reed and Kathy Harris supported her as she studied piano and other musical instruments for 15 years, and arranging and accompanying are two of her favorite musical endeavors. She has loved her time here at the Y, and she counts a study abroad in London and participating in BYU Women's Chorus, BYU Student Alumni, and BYU Writing Fellows as some of the highlights of her experiences here. After graduation she will begin work as a writer for an educational software company in Provo while her husband finishes his degree at BYU.

**Aviann Dee Germany** is the eldest of Rob and Linda Etherington's seven daughters and wife of Glenn Germany, a law graduate of Santa Clara University ('11). She grew up between California and New Jersey but is most recently from Palo Alto, California. She is graduating in English with a minor in music. Her love of English literature sparked while touring England with her family, and she has been glad to study the discipline so thoroughly. Throughout her undergraduate studies she loved playing with the BYU Harp Ensemble as well as participating in small harp recitals. Following graduation Aviann hopes to write and is looking forward to welcoming her first child, a daughter, in July.

**Claudia Cecilia Hernandez** hails from Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico, and immigrated to San Antonio, Texas, with her parents, Edgar and Luz Hernandez, when she was eight years old. Graduating with a BA in Spanish translation and interpretation and a minor in political science, she has been the recipient of several honors, awards, and scholarships including: president of Sigma Delta Pi BYU Chapter (National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society), College of Humanities Dean's List, John and Amelia Bowers Academic Scholarship, BYU Academic Scholarship, and Multicultural Student Services Scholarship. Claudia served internships with the Honorary Peruvian Consulate and the U.S. Translation Company, both in Salt Lake City, Utah. She enjoys running, watching movies, and spending time with friends. After graduation Claudia has accepted an offer from the U.S. Translation Company to work as a certificate project coordinator.

**Jennifer Grace Jones** has played her fiddle for 16 years; she also dabbles with piano, guitar, and opera. She is the last (but not the least) daughter of Gordon and Shirley Jones and the fifth child in her family to attend BYU in Provo. She graduates with a degree in English and minors in editing and music. During her undergraduate years Jennifer polished her artsy side on a study abroad to London and nourished her political side during an internship with the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC. She worked as an editor at *Insight* honors magazine and *BYU Magazine*; she also volunteered with the Center for Service and Learning for three years. Jennifer prefers Thai food to any other cuisine and ranks the 18 months when she served her mission to St. Louis, Missouri, as the unsurpassed experience of her lifetime.

**Rachel Eva Kirkwood** is graduating with a bachelor's degree in English and a minor in women's studies. She is from Olympia, Washington, and is the second of the four daughters of Alan and Valerie Kirkwood. In her undergraduate education at BYU, she worked as a writing fellow and a teaching assistant; was a part of the English Student Advisory Council, Future Scholars Program, and English Society presidency; published papers in the student journals *Americana* and *Criterion*; and presented research at the BYU English Symposium and the Rocky Mountain Peer Tutoring conference. In addition, she has had the opportunity to be mentored by many brilliant members of the English faculty. In the fall Rachel will begin a PhD program in English at Stanford University, focusing particularly on postmodern American literature, new media, and pop culture studies.

**Benjamin Gunnar Murphy** was born in New Zealand but is most recently from Sydney, Australia. Graduating with a BA in English, Ben also has a love for music and was part of BYU's premiere a cappella group, Vocal Point, from 2010–2011, during which time the group placed second in the International Collegiate Championship of A Cappella in New York City and fifth on NBC's television show *The Sing-Off*. Ben served an LDS mission in Fiji and has enjoyed using his Fijian language and other skills to teach missionaries at the MTC. After graduation Ben plans to pursue a career in business and corporate training.

**Karin Alexis (Lexie) Orvin** is the daughter of R. John and LeAnn Halgren. She was born and raised in Colorado, a place she loves and where she hopes to return. Lexie is graduating in English with a minor in music. At BYU Lexie has enjoyed opportunities to be in Women's Chorus and, for the last two years, the University Singers. She has toured with Singers to Colorado and will soon travel with them to England. She was married in April 2010 to Jason Orvin, who is working on a bachelor's and master's degree in accounting here at BYU. After graduation Lexie plans to use her English skills and interests in her work and her family, and she will continue her musical pursuits in flute, voice, and piano.

**Patria Isabel Pusey** is graduating in June 2012 with a bachelor of arts degree in English and a minor in music. Coming from the beautiful town of Dublin, Ohio, she is the oldest of five girls. From an early age Patria loved books and that love has grown and developed here at BYU. While an undergraduate she worked as a peer mentor in the Freshman Mentoring program; attended a study abroad in London, England, in Summer 2011; presented papers at several literary symposia and conferences; and earned multiple scholarships and honors for her academic achievements. After graduation Patria plans to attend graduate school at BYU in English with an intended emphasis in 19th-century British literature. She has been deeply touched by the influence of her parents, Loren and Lisa; her sisters, Sarah, Hannah, Emma, and Clara; her extended family; and her dear friends and mentors at BYU.

**Matthew Bateman Rees** is from Kaysville, Utah, and is the son of Robert and Dana Rees. He is graduating in French studies and will begin medical school this fall. Matthew served a full-time mission in the France Toulouse Mission. Highlights of his undergraduate experience include teaching French at the Missionary Training Center and working with the BYU Merit Badge Pow Wow and Education Week. Matthew has worked for two years in a molecular biology research lab studying osteoarthritis and will present his research at a conference in San Diego this spring. He is married to Maria Rees, a BYU graduate in piano performance, and they are expecting their first child in August.

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## Graduation Speaker

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**Brandie R. Siegfried**, the current Nan Osmond Grass Professor of English Literature at Brigham Young University, was raised in Cottage Grove, Oregon, where she spent her summers building fire trails and contemplating becoming a smoke jumper. She later served in the Argentina Rosario Mission before returning to BYU to complete a BA in English with a minor in Spanish. She continued on at BYU, earning an MA in English while rebuilding the engine of a Fiat Spider convertible. She still feels considerable nostalgia for the days spent driving that roadster along the Provo Canyon road. She earned a PhD in English and American literature from Brandeis University and—having finished more quickly than she had anticipated—completed a second MA in women’s studies, also at Brandeis. Dr. Siegfried’s scholarly interests include English Renaissance literature and culture, 16th- and 17th-century natural philosophy and theology, and the theatrical milieu of Elizabethan London. She has been especially interested in the literary and philosophical contributions of women writers of the early modern period and currently has two books forthcoming (and two more near completion) on related topics. Her current research is aimed at a fifth book, *The Tree of Life in English Renaissance Thought*. She is past president of the International Margaret Cavendish Society and is currently president of the Queen Elizabeth I Society. Her favorite person is Mitch Harris, who is also her husband, happy cycling partner, and perennial ski rival.

