

*Summer
Commencement
Exercises*

College of Humanities Convocation

Brigham Young University
August 16, 2013
8:00 a.m.
Marriott Center

Program

Administrative Representative	Brian K. Evans Chief Financial Officer and Administrative Vice President
Organ Prelude and Processional	Jeffrey S. Turley Associate Professor of Spanish
Conducting	John R. Rosenberg, Dean College of Humanities
Invocation	Eva Marie Brady BA Philosophy
Remarks	Dean Rosenberg
Talk by Student Representative	Kelsey Marie Barker BA German
Musical Number "Violin Concerto No. 1 in A Minor" by Jean-Baptiste Accolay	Lottie Elizabeth Peterson BA English Kiersten Favero BM Piano Performance
Graduation Speaker	Dr. Daniel Carl Peterson Professor of Islamic Studies and Arabic
Presentation of Master's Degrees	
Presentation of Baccalaureate Degrees	
Benediction	Spencer David Fuller BA Italian
Recessional	Jeffrey S. Turley

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.

Kristen Nicole Cardon

JUNE 2013 GRADUATE
Spencer David Fuller

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 University.

Kelsey Marie Barker

Eva Marie Brady

Paul Kent Cannon

Ana-Lisa Clark

Elyse Alexandria Holmes

Trenton Robert Leinenbach

Rachel Patricia Mahrt

Jalena Shae Reschke Nielsen

Lottie Elizabeth Peterson

Anne Barbara Pulsipher

Angela Isabell Sobkowicz

Laurel Anne White

Breckyn Danielle Wood

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Benjamin Merrill Bird

Calianne Jex Brown

Alyssa Devey

Sean Donovan Driscoll

Kiana KengYu Lin

Lara Rose Mayfield

Truedson Jerald Sandberg

Evan Nelson Strobelt

Jennifer Jean Thorup

Candidates for Cum Laude

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.

Ana Rebecca Bennett

Brittany Bruner

Diondra Elizabeth Sabey Dia

Darcey

Hayley Corinne Hucks

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES

Logan Robert Dalton

Jodi Lynn Nicholas

Gabriela Ferraz Oliveira

Nicole Lindsey Thompson

Emmaline Rose Wilson

Graduates with University Honors

In addition to their major studies, all honors graduates have completed a comprehensive program in general education. University Honors is a distinction reserved for those few who have excelled in the university's most rigorous course of general and major education. Typically, those students have completed at least six honors general education courses, maintained a 3.5 GPA or higher in both honors and all other courses, demonstrated proficiency in mathematics and a foreign language, completed a reading list, and written an honors thesis in their major field.

Tory S. Anderson

Kristen Nicole Cardon

Ellis Beth Clark Dyck

Laura Hatch

Elyse Alexandria Holmes

Anne Barbara Pulsipher

Emily Anna Richey

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Sean Donovan Driscoll

Spencer David Fuller

Jacob Bradley McLaws

Luke N Swenson

Graduating Members of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Kelsey Marie Barker

Eva Marie Brady

Kristen Nicole Cardon

Chelise Nicole Fox

Elyse Alexandria Holmes

Trenton Robert Leinenbach

Rachel Patricia Mahrt

Jalena Shae Reschke Nielsen

Karina Osgood

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Calianne Jex Brown

Alyssa Devey

Spencer David Fuller

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Evan Nelson Strobelt

Graduate Programs

MASTER OF FINE ARTS DEGREES

Creative Writing

Katherine Diane Wade-Neser

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES
Laura Sheffield Dutson
Allison May Hill
Natalie Dawn Johansen

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREES

English

Tara Tuulikki Boyce
Sarah Anne Campbell
Sari Lynn Carter
Samuel James Dunn
M. Brian Sabey
Lisa Kae Thomas
Martha Paige Thompson

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES
Brighton Prueger Capua
Emily Shipp Ensign
Kara Rebecca Kemp
Maria Elise Pack

French and Italian

JUNE 2013 GRADUATE
Sunny Ann Hendry

Humanities, Classics, and Comparative Literature

COMPARATIVE STUDIES

Christian Wiggo Axelgard
Maggie Sharon Hoyt
Jacob Z. A. Lee
Jonathan Clifford Williams
Richelle Jolene Wilson

JUNE 2013 GRADUATE
Rebecca Bennett Fairbank

Linguistics and English Language

LINGUISTICS

Stewart Daniel Smith

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Marie Naomi Bejarano
Courtney Price Bodily
Deborah De Hoyos
Alison Divett Roberts
Darcy Lyn Whetten

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES
Andrea M. Gonzalez
Brittney Greer
Piret Luik
Austin Cody Pack

Second Language Teaching

JUNE 2013 GRADUATE
Celine Gaillard

Spanish and Portuguese

Ixchel Zarco González

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES
Robert Marcus Jeffery
Berkeley Ann Kershisnik

Baccalaureate Degrees

American Studies

Kristin L. Matthews, Director

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Jason William Arias
Jason Richard Lamprecht
Karina Osgood

JUNE 2013 GRADUATE

Nathan Sagae Hancock

Asian and Near Eastern Languages

J. Scott Miller, Chair

CHINESE

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Nicole Anne Dowdle Keaton
Josef Kari Kujanpää
Benjamin Tyler Wilcox
Landon Palmer Young

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES

Jonathan Scott Daniels
Chloe Suyin Ith
Jacob Bradley McLaws
Seth W Vogel

JAPANESE

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Ryler Jay Nielsen

JUNE 2013 GRADUATE

Nathan James Shurilla

English

Trent Hickman, Associate Chair

ENGLISH

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Matthew Budd Argyle
Hannah Balagna
Ana Rebecca Bennett
Jill Elaine Bickham
Shelby Anne Boyer
Brittany Bruner
John Quayle Cannon IV
Kristen Nicole Cardon
Andrew Thomas Christensen
Natasha Lisa Christensen
Joshua Bonham Cutler
Diondra Elizabeth Sabey
Dia Darcey
Katie Noelle Davidson
Ellis Beth Clark Dyck
Julie Grace Eccles
Matthew Alfred Fellows
Robert Allen Fuller

Megan Gebhard
Lindsey Jean Gueller
Elyse Alexandria Holmes
Katie Lynn Hosler
Hayley Corinne Hucks
Alison Leigh Hughes
Becki Nuttall Johnson
Bryce Parker Johnson
Tucker Boone Johnson
Jennifer Suzanne Jones
Stetson Eugene Kizzar
Mary Kathryn Kremer
Rachelle Marie Dotson
Lawrence

Trenton Robert Leinenbach
Sarah Jane Lewis
Michael Keith Low
Aubrey Alyssa Luddington
Robyn M K Lung
Rachel Patricia Mahrt
Jewel Ellen Henderson Marsh
Lindsay Michelle Miles
Mackenzie Marie Morgan

Steven R Nettgen
Jalena Shae Reschke Nielsen
Rachel Lynn Ontiveros
Hilary Packham
Lottie Elizabeth Peterson
Robert Manuel Polo
Jeffrey D Prows
Erin Lee Rackham
Emily Anna Richey
Meagan Diane Ricks
Leah Jean Robinson
Hannah Loraine Smith
Taylor Jackson Smith
Kaleigh Jean Spooner
S Adrian Thayn
Analyn Lesieli Tuha Vi
Breckyn Danielle Wood
Nathan Leslie Wood
Valene Rae Wood

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Deidre Alyse Bodily
Carter Tony Bradshaw
Lanae Carmichael
Logan Robert Dalton
Trevor Brett Fugate
Sarah Anne Hafen
Evan Grant Hall
Kevin Scott Haws
Macord Gregory Johnson
Kristen Riley Kendrick
Grace S Kim
Kiana KengYu Lin
Kimberly Ruth McLaughlin
Jordan Lee Roberts
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Austin Loe Slade
Theodore Brys Lavelle Smith
Mikelle Jane Stott
Danielle Vail Weekes

ENGLISH TEACHING

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Kristina Baird Argyle
Calianne Jex Brown
Alyssa Devey
Regan Bailey Gull
Jessica Leigh Heeder
Whitney Leigh Henkel
Heidi M Jensen
Maichael Justine Mayans
Claire Hopkin Mizukawa
Ryan R Palmer
Sierra Robinson Penrod
Donovan Julian Sanchez
Sarah Michelle Swerdfeger
Mark Aaron Tonkinson
Emma SueAlice Wiley

French and Italian

Corry L. Cropper, Chair

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Alexandra Danielle Kemper
Kenneth L Larsen
Laurel Ann White

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Miarisoa Harindranto Rasolo
Allyson Sharlene Reeves
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Megan Katrina Hamzawi

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Michelle S. James, Chair

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Jared Thomas Brixey
Annalisa Belinda Kell
Joseph Brian O'Barr
Joel Emmanuel Stephens

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Luke N Swenson

RUSSIAN

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Paul Kent Cannon
Aaron John Luddington
James Nile Parker
Zachary Dee Williams

**Humanities, Classics,
and Comparative
Literature**

George B. Handley, Chair

HUMANITIES

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Debra Lynn Andersen
Michaela Christina
Chamberlain
John Scott Froerer
Laura Hatch
Jennifer Nelson Matsu
Anne Barbara Pulsipher
Emily Jacobs Rytting
Angela Isabell Sobkowicz
Amy Kathleen Vanden Brink

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Chelsey M Guerrero
Kayley Rachel Jackman
Sarah Armantrout Peterson
Jennifer Jean Thorup

**INTERDISCIPLINARY
HUMANITIES**

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Leslie Christine Evens

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Elizabeth Eyre
Jessica Marie Nowling

**Linguistics and
English Language**

Diane Strong-Krause, Chair

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Erika Haley Glenn
Meghan Marra Jashinsky
Jana Lorelle Johnson
Ryan Frederick Lee
Tyler A. Snow
Stephanie Lynn Wilson

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Benjamin Merrill Bird
Renée Louise Harrison
Joshua Lloyd Jackson
Young-Sun Lee
Jodi Lynn Nicholas
Malina LouConne Patane
Justin James Stark
Nicole Cook Valcarce

Philosophy

Travis T. Anderson, Chair

PHILOSOPHY

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Eva Marie Brady
Chelise Nicole Fox
Kenneth Christian Merrill
Christopher Ryan Paul Porritt

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Spanish and Portuguese

David P. Laraway, Chair

PORTUGUESE

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Thomas Pierce Gappmayer

JUNE 2013 GRADUATES
Gabriela Ferraz Oliveira
Shawndeem Kristine Stahly

SPANISH

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Michael Scott Christensen
Elias Adrian Combs
Sandra Grindstaff
Jazmin Valdez Hughes
Zachary Thomas Loughton
Scott Curtis Moberg
Riley Keith Nelson
Brad Michael Pendleton
Joshua LaVarr Roberts
Chase Kent Russell Romney
Jacob Zephaniah Scott
Diana Victoria Tartaglia

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Stephen Hawkins Lamb
Mechaela Gabriela Matute
Carlos J Simpson

SPANISH TEACHING

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Brandon Allen Harrison
Victoria Ines Costa Stewart
Jose Leo Valladares

SPANISH TRANSLATION

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Benjamin Allan Strobel
JUNE 2013 GRADUATES
Marco Antonio Mora Huizar
Newell Douglas Porter
Evan Nelson Strobel

Independent Study

GENERAL STUDIES

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GENERAL STUDIES
Laura Lynn Byrd
April N Garner
Tina S Gibson
Joanne Z. Johanson
Theresa Ann Mellor
Jamecie Lee Murphy
Heidi R Noriega
Jill L Parker
Marilyn Porter

Convocation Participants

Kelsey Marie Barker was born in Richland, Washington, to Ward and Sherryle Barker and is the second of five girls. She moved frequently throughout her childhood, living in Germany, Oregon, California, and Utah after leaving Washington. At BYU she majored in German literature and minored in TESOL. During her studies she worked as an accounting clerk for the Office of Information Technology and as a German 101/102 instructor. She also participated in a study abroad in Berlin, was awarded a scholarship through the German Academic Exchange Service to complete her junior year through direct enrollment at the University of Tübingen, and recently completed an internship in Washington, DC, through BYU's Washington Seminar program. She plans to work for a few years before attending graduate school. Kelsey would like to thank her family, friends, and influential professors for their help, encouragement, and support over the last four years.

Eva Marie Brady is from Charlottesville, Virginia, and is the oldest of Lee and Helena Brady's 10 children. She is graduating in philosophy with a minor in logic. Eva feels blessed to have had many opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities at BYU, such as volunteering as a vice president for the Honors Student Advisory Council and as a program director for the Student Advisory Council as well as publishing for *BYU Prelaw Review*. While at BYU she worked as a teaching assistant for deductive and predicate logic classes and as a staff editor for *Aporia*, BYU's journal of philosophy. She recently returned from serving in the Korea Busan Mission and will be continuing her education at the BYU Law School in the fall.

Kiersten Favero was born to Scott and Margaret Favero and was raised in Northern California as the youngest of six siblings. Her primary piano teacher in California, Dr. Natsuki Fukasawa, instilled in her a love for music that continued with her into her college career. Kiersten recently graduated from BYU with a bachelor of music in piano performance under the tutelage of Dr. Jeffrey Shumway and will begin studies for her master's degree under Dr. Irene Peery-Fox at BYU in the fall.

Spencer David Fuller is the oldest of five children born to David and Janet Fuller. He is married to Ashley Anne Fuller, who graduated from BYU in international relations three years ago. Together they have the great blessing to be the parents of Clara Mae Fuller, who just turned two years old. Some of Spencer's favorite experiences at BYU have been participating in the Honors Program, being selected as a Wheatley Student Scholar, teaching three semesters of Italian 101, caring for his daughter while his wife worked, and attending a two-week seminar at the Saïd Business School at University of Oxford this past June. Spencer majored in Italian language and literature and has greatly enjoyed the various life experiences that have deepened his connection with and love for Italy and its people, language, and culture—from a high school club soccer tournament there to a full-time mission to a recent trip back with his wife, in addition to outstanding instruction from his Italian professors and his close friendships with fellow Italian majors. He is both sad and excited to graduate and move on. In 10 days he begins medical school at the University of California, San Diego, located only one mile from the temple where he and his sweetheart were sealed.

Lottie Elizabeth Peterson is the daughter of Paul and Pamela Jackson Peterson. She is a 2009 graduate of St. James High School in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina. Having been reared in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, by a father who is a political science professor at Coastal Carolina University and a mother who managed an entertainment theater, it is only fitting that she pursued a humanities degree in English with a minor in violin performance. Elizabeth has thoroughly enjoyed the past four years at BYU, being involved in numerous activities, including orchestra, Chinese Club, and bowling leagues. Upon graduation Elizabeth is excited for the opportunity to teach English in China for six months. After her China adventure she plans to further her education in English by attending graduate school in fall 2014. Today she joins both of her parents as a graduate of Brigham Young University.

Graduation Speaker

Daniel Carl Peterson, a native of Southern California, received a bachelor's degree in Greek and philosophy from Brigham Young University and, after several years of study in Jerusalem and Cairo, earned his PhD in Near Eastern languages and cultures from the University of California, Los Angeles.

A professor of Islamic Studies and Arabic at BYU, Dr. Peterson teaches all levels of Arabic language and literature, Islamic philosophy, Islamic culture and civilization, Islamic religion, the Qur'an, the introductory and senior capstone courses for Middle Eastern studies majors, and various other specialized classes. He is the author of several books and numerous articles on Islamic and Latter-day Saint topics—including a biography entitled *Muhammad: Prophet of God* (Eerdmans, 2007). He has lectured across the United States and in Europe, Australia, and New Zealand and at various Islamic universities in the Near East and Asia.

Dr. Peterson served as a member of the board, codirector of research, director of advancement, associate executive director, and chairman of the board for the Foundation for Ancient Research and Mormon Studies (FARMS)—renamed the Neal A. Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship at BYU. During his quarter century of involvement, which ended in June 2012, the institute published three regular journals and scores of books; sponsored numerous symposia on Mormon and other topics; produced a computer-digitized version of the Dead Sea Scrolls; electronically recovered damaged documents from the ruins of Herculaneum (Italy), Petra (Jordan), Bonampak (Mexico), and elsewhere; and, with the Vatican Apostolic Library, electronically published editions of ancient Syriac Christian manuscripts.

Dr. Peterson is the founder and editor in chief of BYU's four-part Middle Eastern Texts Initiative, which includes not only the Islamic Translation Series but three sister series: the Medical Works of Moses Maimonides, Eastern Christian Texts, and the Library of the Christian East. These series publish dual-language editions of classical works of medieval Arabic and Persian philosophy, Arabic medicine and science, and early Syriac and Christian Arabic literature. The volumes are distributed by the University of Chicago Press. In 2007, in recognition of his establishment of the Middle Eastern Texts Initiative, Dr. Peterson was named a Utah Academy Fellow and declared a lifetime member of the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters.

A contributor to the Salt Lake City *Deseret News*, Dr. Peterson writes a weekly column called *Defending the Faith* and, with his friend and colleague William Hamblin of BYU's Department of History, a semiweekly column on religions around the world. He has recently taken up daily blogging at dpcsicetnon.blogspot.com.

Dr. Peterson is a member of the board of the Foundation for Religious Diplomacy and is the custodian of its Mormon chapter. In July 2012 he and a group of colleagues launched a new online periodical called *Interpreter: A Journal of Mormon Scripture*, available at www.mormoninterpreter.com.

Dr. Peterson served in the Switzerland Zürich Mission from 1972 to 1974 and served on the Gospel Doctrine writing committee for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for approximately eight years. He also presided for a time as bishop of a young single adult ward adjacent to Utah Valley University.

Dr. Peterson is married to the former Deborah Stephens of Lakewood, Colorado, and they are the parents of three sons.