

Brigham Young University College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences Convocation

April 25, 2024 Wilkinson Student Center Ballroom 7:00 p.m.

Department of Computer Science

Convocation Participants

Emily Rose Asplund is the daughter of Peter and Sarah Asplund of Farmington, Utah. She is graduating with a bachelor's degree in computer science. She has spent the last year working part-time as a software engineer at nCino, where she has accepted a full-time position that begins following graduation. She loves the BYU Women in Computer Science Club, in which she has served most recently as vice president. Emily served a mission in Kansas from 2020 to 2021. In her free time, Emily enjoys playing guitar, making desserts for her friends, and perfecting her machine-learning program to try and predict this season's winner of *Survivor*.

Jacob Heath Drake is the son of David and Heather Drake of Greenville, Texas, and is married to Rebecca Drake. He is receiving his bachelor's degree in computer science. He played clarinet in the BYU Cougar Marching Band for two years. He interned with Blue River Technology, a subsidiary of John Deere, and Everee during his time at BYU. In his free time he enjoys learning to play instruments, rollerblading, and skiing. After graduation he plans to continue as a software engineer for Everee.

Jackson LeRoy Harwood is the son of David and Holley Harwood of Leawood, Kansas, and is married to Alexis Harwood. He is receiving his bachelor's degree in computer science. He has been working as a full-stack engineer at the BYU Office of Information Technology. Jackson has played the clarinet in the BYU Marching Band since 2020 and was clarinet section leader in 2023. He has also played in the University Band in 2021 and 2024 and the Symphonic Band from 2021 to 2023. He is a member of the BYU Mars Rover team and will compete in the University Rover Challenge at the end of May. Jackson served in the Brazil Recife Mission from 2018 to 2020. He enjoys hiking, playing games, and coding and plans to start work as an enterprise administrator for Terracon Consultants in June.

Sofia Grace Iannicelli is the daughter of Tony and Lynell Iannicelli of Glen Ellyn, Illinois. She is receiving a bachelor's degree in computer science with an emphasis in animation and games and a minor in mathematics. She has worked in math information retrieval with Dr. Ng and with Dr. Egbert in virtual reality. In 2022 she worked in the advanced sensors laboratory at the Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (National Research Council) in Rome, Italy. She worked as the programming lead on *Shrineflow*—the 2024 capstone video game project for the BYU Center for Animation—and contributed to the student short film *Student Accomplice*. She enjoys playing tennis, watching movies, and learning to cook Italian food. Sofia plans to pursue a master's degree and continue research in computer graphics.

Sara Marie Peel is the daughter of Wayne and Julie Peel of Colorado Springs, Colorado. She is graduating in computer science. She is a recipient of the Heritage Scholarship and is a National Merit Commended Scholar. A member of the drumline in the BYU Marching Band since 2019, she currently works as a developer at the J. Reuben Clark Law School and conducts research under Dr. Page. Sara presented her research on improving the social media experience for autistic adults at the Utah Conference for Undergraduate Research and was recognized for her presentation at the 2024 Student Research Conference. Sara loves reading, baking, playing Ultimate Frisbee, and playing board games with friends. She plans to make a positive impact through continued work in user experience research and design.

Anson Raymond Savage is the son of Mark and Kirsten Savage. Anson is receiving his bachelor's degree in computer science with an emphasis in animation. He has worked under Dr. Page researching human-computer interactions with a focus on social media UI and privacy. He also worked under Dr. Jensen creating animated visualizations of flagellum motor structures. He is working on BYU's 2024 animated short film *Student Accomplice* as an environment effects artist and pipeline engineer. He served in the Fresno California Mission from 2019 to 2021 and enjoys running, playing piano, doing recreational math, and making movies with his family. He plans to pursue a master's degree in computer science at BYU this fall.

Lawry Eliot Sorenson is the son of Robert and Christine Sorenson of Plano, Texas, and is married to Madeleine Sorenson. He is graduating with a bachelor's degree in computer science with an emphasis in data science and minors in mathematics, statistics, and linguistic computing. Lawry has worked under Dr. Clement and under Dr. Richardson. He has published three papers on handwriting recognition and machine translation and contributed to three other papers. Active in the Competitive Programming Club since 2021, he is currently serving as the club president. He has qualified for the International Collegiate Programming Contest North American Championship for the last three years and competed in the World Finals. He served in the Bulgarian Central Eurasian Mission from 2017 to 2019 and is already working on a PhD at BYU in machine translation.

Department of Computer Science 7:00 p.m.

Please remain seated during the processional.

University Representative Julie L. Franklin

Vice President Student Life

Welcome and Conducting Grant J. Jensen

Dean

Invocation **Emily Rose Asplund**

Computer Science

Speaker Anson Raymond Savage

Computer Science

Speaker Sofia Grace Iannicelli

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Jacob Heath Drake, clarinet "Gethsemane"

Computer Science

Words and music by Melanie Hoffman Jackson LeRoy Harwood, clarinet Arranged by Alexis Harwood

Computer Science

Sara Marie Peel, piano Computer Science

Remarks Bryan S. Morse

Associate Dean

Presentation of Doctoral, Master's, and Baccalaureate Degrees

Please hold applause until each department completes its awards.

Audience members are welcome to use the front row to take pictures of graduates. Please wait until your graduate is within 10 students of arriving onstage before entering the front row.

Closing Grant J. Jensen

Dean

Benediction Lawry Eliot Sorenson

Computer Science

Please remain seated during the recessional and meet your graduate in the Terrace after all graduates have exited the ballroom.

Graduates

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Computer Science

COMPUTER SCIENCE

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

APRIL 2024

Xuan Cao Joseph Smith Johnson Jacob Graham Kullberg Tarun Kumar Yadav

IUNE 2024

Connor Stanley Anderson

MASTER'S DEGREES

Computer Science

COMPUTER SCIENCE

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2023

Courtni Linae Byun Stephen Holmes Cowley Dallin Michael Hagman Bradley Dean Hatch Tyler Carl Karren Suguru Onda Michael Lynn Richards Connor Randall Wilhelm

APRIL 2024

Trevor Nielson Andrus Vigynesh Bhatt McKay Thomas Bowcut Brian Charles Brown Benjamin Tait Cookson Tyler Ross Dean Nathan Earl Fastabend Chetan Joshi Grant Spencer Lewis Bryce McKay Pierson Cassidy Marie Waldrip Chase Martin Westhoff

JUNE 2024

Alexander Charles Neville Christopher Braxton Owens Kyle Jeffrey Rogers Melissa Leigh Scott Tanner Jack Sundwall **Emily Ting Teng**

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

Computer Science

COMPUTER SCIENCE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2023

Dallan Hales Adamson Jacob Gallardo Armenta Jeffrey Allen Arnold Noor Shawkat Assi Seungyeol Baek Jared Loren Barker Lucy Marie Barton Samuel Matthias Bennion Brennan Tag Bertola Andrew Joseph Blackman Daniel Scott Blanchard Dallin Gary Bowie Jacob Daniel Bowman Derrick Lee Brundage Sarah Genieve Buss Moisés Abinadí Carpio Lazo Kai Chen Brian Jun Xian Chi Minhoru Jushara Cotache Stephen Aaron Derbidge Bryan Jay Despain Hoan Do Tyler Cole Draper Joshua Jensen Egbert Joshua Justin Esplin MacKenzie Kay Fisher Jacob Lynn Frandsen Matthew John Gunson Jr. Maxwell Alldredge Hamilton Nathaniel Lee Hanson Michael James Hawks Benjamin Scott Jacobs Blake J Jensen Thummim Jung Chance Hunter Kearl Mahmoud Ibrahim Khalil Justin Dean Lapicola Leo Taylor LeSueur Jaden Quinn Lorenc Colby John Lyman Michael Hunter Madsen Nathan Charles McGrew Jared Mark Montierth Hannah Kristine Nelson Andrew Robert Palmer **Jooveon Park** Timothy James Pope Jared Ryan Renberg

Benjamin David Ricks Jaxson Waters Ruff Samuel Todd Seager Brennan Jacob Smeltzer Jason Paul Smith Lawry Eliot Sorenson Brody Jones Spencer Gavin McCrae Steck Ren Strauss Kenton Carl Strong Ashtyn Maria Taylor Benjamin Ray Taylor Camren Michael Taylor Joshua Brubaker Taylor Nicholas Dean Taylor Marc Adam Terry Talden J. VanderLouw Dallin Jacob Vetter Bryton S. Wilson Eian Tred Wright Jinxin Yu Benjamin Nathan Zobrist

APRIL 2024 Luke Albin

Dylan Barratt Allen Kelly Camille Alvarado Plasencia Arotoa Haetaautiatinu Anderson Stanton Tannous Yow-Seng Anthony Adam True Arnett **Emily Rose Asplund** Emma Katherine Ausman **James Elias Baker** Dallin Bradley Bartholomew Zachary James Roger Beach Samuel David Bennion Jared Hyrum Black Gavin M Bolin Ethan M Borsky Omar Emmanuel Briceno-Nunez Taylor Mark Brown Alec Kent Burnett Kylie Joana Major Callaway Darien Alexander Campbell Jared Adan Canizales Sarah Jean Kharaka Carson Clayton Christian Chase Spencer Jorden Chavez Ionathan Reeve Chelius Iordan Alan Chwalik Cameron Ray Clark Aaron Michael Clayton Kendall Matthew Clement Tanner Reid Clements Bridger Reese Danby Walter DeGering

Paige Irene Despain Jared Evans Devenport Brendan Joel Dewberry Brody Kurt Dobson **Jacob Heath Drake** Joshua David Draper Russell Joseph Dupaix **James Matthew Edwards** Patrick Lloyd Elzinga Miguel de Nazare do Espirito Santo Benjamin Daniel Foutz Seth Dalen Fredrickson Quincey Martin Frewin Rachel Fullerton Jacob Millett Gardiner Adam Daniel Gardner Kimball Wayne George Michal Anne Gibson Jose Humberto Giraldez Chavez Devon Layne Gneiting Milvia Goulding Zachary Mark Hacking Christian James Hall Payton James Hall Hunter Regan Hansen Cal Hargis Micah Moroni Harps Emma Christine Harrington Austin Lee Harris **Jacob Paul Hart** Andrew James Hartsfield Jackson LeRoy Harwood Paul Carlos Hathaway Ioshua David Hemmert Stephen R Hood Alexis Lynn Hovorka Zhengyang Huang Pearl Kathleen Hulbert Sofia Grace Iannicelli Brendan Raul Izu Ian Brent Jackson Gideon Glade Jardine Phineas Teschner Jensen Timothy Rex Jensen Cody Daniel Johns Spencer Cannon Jorgensen Nathaniel Dart Judd Hanbich Kang Ethan Landon Kerr Taeyang Kim Kaden Andrew Klein Carson Kurt Koehle Spencer Isaac Kraus

James Allan Krueger

Nathaniel Lampros

Sean Arden Last

Jonghyun Lee

Elliot Jack Layton

Derek Milton Larsen

Elizabeth Ann Larsen

Chin Hei Helaman Lee

Daria Mykolaivna Kukharuk

Joshua Thomas Lee Ryan Douglas Lee Zarin Platz Loosli Malcolm Grant MacGregor Blake Andrew Martin Phillip Mark Mason Andres Eduardo Matos Gabriel Taylor Maxfield Thomas James Maxwell Bright Mazura Justin Andrew McBride Emily Eliza McDermott Jason Michael McDonald Jacob Scott McKenzie Ryan Michael Meyer Ethan Lee Michaelis Caelen Dale Miller Daniel Frank Millward Spencer Gordon Moffat Andres Felipe Molina Ospina Victoria On-Kei Moreno Jacob Gordon Morrey Melissa Amber Morris Andrew Clendon Moss Jeremy Russell Mumford Abel Ware Nelson Peter Hinckley Neubert Jonas Christian Nielsen Noelle Erika Nielson Sydney Allen Nielson Michael Brian Norris Samuel Anders Olausson Dillon Jeremy Ormond Nathan Rhead Owen Patrick Jefferson Parker Elizabeth Grace Parkinson David Matthew Parrott Eden Khan Paupulaire Matthew Benjamin Peart Michael Perkins Gabriel Michael Perry Hana Pertab Andrew Birch Peterson Joseph Alexander Stuart Peterson **Justin Warren Ponton** William Teague Porter Joseph Nathaniel Poulson Matthew Edward Powley McKayla Noelle Pressler Garrett Lynn Price Calvin Benjamin Pugmire Alex Qian Alison Anne Rampton Delaney Margaret Reed Kathryn Dee Rencher Nathan Charles Rice Charles Coulson Rich Jacob Richmond Riley Grant Ross Cole Brian Russon Garrett Neil Sapp Jakob Neal Schilling Benjamin Isaac Schulzke

Peter Andrew Seely Brady James Sillito Elliot Alexandre Silveira Ethan Holland Simmons Riley Jacob Sinema Scott David Slinn Mark John Smilev Juliana Celeste Smith Kaleb Jarom Smith Maxwell Steven Smith Hyrum Gary Sorensen Abigail Joy Spigarelli Isabella Dupré Cadena Stephens Josiah Jaron Stephens John Michael Stout John Casey Strong Logan Daniel Tailleur Logan Blake Thurman Josh Caleb Andrew Tidwell Damon Wesley Tingey Benjamin Porter Tolley Gideon Matthew Tonkinson Nikelle Charity Turner Stephen Dean Tveten Ernesto Antonio Valencia Arevalo Troy Chandler Van Meter Conner Joseph Vigil Nathan Douglas Walker Zachary Tyler Wallace Yiqi Wang Jack David Wheatley Brianna Elaine White Connor Hansen Widtfeldt Quincy Gayle Wilcox Andrew Martin Wilson **Jared D Wilson** Lexie Elizabeth Wilsted Andrew K Winsborrow Harrison Q Winslow Riley Amanda Woolf Henry Mathewson Young Jacob Powell Zinn **IUNE 2024**

Jackson Jay Searle

Rylee May Albrecht Spencer Dean Bartholomew Gregory Allen Bullard Samuel Gregory Carlsen Austin Paul Clarke Hannah Isabell Decker McKynlee Wilson Engel Francis Imad Habash David Hernandez Martinez Michael William Holland Dallin Cole Hunter Keylan Hin-Lung Edward Jensen Kevin Mathew Kinney Logan Dennis Kitchen Hunter Robert Larson Kymberly Larson

Christian Chantabury
Luangrath
Jordan Pōhaku Mack
Max Doyle Mason
Tyson John McCulloch
Isaac Hatch McGill
Gage Bentley Moore
Justin Paul Olcott
Rachel Marie Perrier
Isaac William Peterson
Jackson Lee Peterson
Noah Jacob Pratt
Beckett Kimber Ricks
Vijay Kiran Satyam

Jacob Alexander Thomsen Jonathan Brett Tullis Zachary Ethan Tyler Zachary Douglas Yancey Jingyu Zhao Zhuokang Zhao

AUGUST 2024

Beric Yuuma Bearnson Samuel Lowell Bennion Tanner Brokaw Day Marcos Espino-Moreno Mikael Christopher Gamett Benjamin Spencer Giles Caleb Marshall Harding
Dallin James Hutchison
Chahyun Kang
Rose Clarice Filichia McClure
Conner Charles Murray
Sara Marie Peel
Jackson Roubidoux
Anson Raymond Savage
Nathan Tanner Sirrine
Ty Scott Sorensen
Amy Fong Techavimol
Haile Diana Terry
Ethan Taylor Walch
Austin Rex Warnick

Scholastic Recognition

University Honors

Students graduating with University Honors have completed several interdisciplinary general education courses, leadership development experiences, an interdisciplinary essay, and a thesis and have also defended their thesis in their major discipline.

APRIL 2024

Darien Alexander Campbell Jeremy Russell Mumford

Summa Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2023

Chloe Engler Hart Lawry Eliot Sorenson Ryan Holbrook Wolff

APRIL 2024

Gradin Mitchell Anderson Sarah Elizabeth Benson Simon Crosby Blackhurst Ammon Cleve Brock Timothy Anthony Brown Andrew James Carpenter Braden M Critchfield Benjamin Knudsen Dahl Thomas Lee Draper **Bryce Thomas Eggers** Margo Elizabeth Hammond James Douglas Holladay Stephen R Hood Sofia Grace Iannicelli Mary Ruth Jenkins Tanner Wilson Manwaring Blake Andrew Martin Jacob Scott McKenzie Jackson Keith Passey Carson Allan Payne Alex Qian Sara Danielle Rosevear Nathan Earl Schill Peter Andrew Seely Jason Warner Vasquez Nathan Douglas Walker Jared Shijie Xia

Magna Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2023

Rebekah Anne Barney Carli Danielle Jacobs Michael Hunter Madsen Christiana Zaugg Suggs Ashtyn Maria Taylor

APRIL 2024

Stanton Tannous Yow-Seng Anthony Emily Rose Asplund James Elias Baker Zachary Adam Berkheimer Jared Hyrum Black Conner Douglas Camacho Eliza Jane Cisneros Vawdrey Kaelyn Clement Bridger Reese Danby Benjamin James Derieg Milvia Goulding Daisy Sharon Harris Elise C. B. Hurd James Allan Krueger Gwen Taylor Martin Zachary Carpenter Meyer Evan Miller Noelle Erika Nielson Sydney Allen Nielson Seth Mathias Peacock Dylan Michael Skinner Dallin Paris Stewart Tyler Wells Ward Quincy Gayle Wilcox

Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2023

Bryan Jay Despain Michael James Hawks Jooyeon Park Tiea Corinne Paschal Samuel Todd Seager Eian Tred Wright

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Dylan Barratt Allen Adam True Arnett Dallin Bradley Bartholomew Darien Alexander Campbell Jared Adan Canizales Clayton Christian Chase Xiaotong Chen Joshua David Draper Benjamin Daniel Foutz Ryan Matthew Hunter Daria Mykolaivna Kukharuk Ryan Douglas Lee Zarin Platz Loosli Ryan Michael Meyer Peter Hinckley Neubert Michael Yuki Okuda Joseph Nathaniel Poulson Matthew Edward Powley **Austin Lan Reves** Tyler John Sanders Maxwell Steven Smith Josiah Jaron Stephens Brigg Holyoak Trendler Joseph Tyler Watts Brianna Elaine White

Phi Kappa Phi

APRIL 2024

Trevor Nielson Andrus Kolten Lex Barfuss Bridger Reese Danby Bryce Thomas Eggers Margo Elizabeth Hammond Bryce Eric Hedelius Ryan George Hilton

JUNE 2024

Margaret Elizabeth Granger Jake Lowell Murphy

AUGUST 2024

Caleb Marshall Harding Joshua Gerald Newey