



Brigham Young University
*College of Computational, Mathematical,
and Physical Sciences*
Convocation

April 24, 2025

Wilkinson Student Center Ballroom

4:30 p.m.

*Departments of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Computer Science
(Animation and Games, Bioinformatics, Data Science,
and Machine Learning), Geological Sciences,
and Physics and Astronomy*

Convocation Participants

Zane Ian Barr is a native of Alberta, Canada, and moved to the United States to serve his full-time, Spanish-speaking mission in Fort Collins, Colorado. Zane met his wife, Kimberly, in the Physics 220 class here at BYU, and they've been happily married for two years. He is graduating with a bachelor's degree, majoring in physics education with a minor in mathematics. He is a recipient of the Alexander Rutherford Scholarship. Zane is receiving his degree with two years of experience teaching math and science to Alpine School District's Youth-In-Care for in-custody and at-risk students at Summit High School. He has also been a member of the Physics and Astronomy Student Advisory Council, in which he has worked to provide BYU students with resources and information for career paths and has participated in various outreach programs. In his free time he enjoys losing to his wife at Catan and having a chance at other games. He plans to return to Fort Collins to teach high school physics.

Megan Nicole Flexhaug is the daughter of Bradley and Kamille Flexhaug of Chehalis, Washington. She is receiving her bachelor's degree in geology and graduating with a 4.0 GPA in her major. Megan is a recipient of the Utah Geological Association Hank Goode Field Camp Scholarship as well as the Susan Ekdale Memorial Field Camp Scholarship. She is involved in mentored research, having done coastal geomorphology with Dr. Ron Harris for two years, as well as hydrogeologic research with Dr. Greg Carling for a year. Megan was recognized for her research presentation at the college's Spring Research Conference. She is currently finishing up a paper with Dr. Harris that she hopes to publish in the near future. In her free time she loves to hike, read, and spend time with her loved ones. Megan plans to attend graduate school for her master's in geology at BYU this fall.

Lauren Nicole Green is the daughter of Jeffrey and Nicole Green of Fairmont, Minnesota. She is graduating with a degree in chemistry education and a minor in physics. Lauren completed her student teaching in chemistry at American Fork High School in American Fork, Utah. Throughout her time at Brigham Young University, she has worked as a teaching assistant for several chemistry and physics courses. She received the Garth L. Lee Undergraduate Teaching Award for her work as a teaching assistant. As an undergraduate research assistant, she worked with Dr. Steven Castle to develop organic-chemistry-themed high school lesson plans. In her free time Lauren enjoys spending time with her family, hiking, running, playing pickleball, and listening to audiobooks. She also enjoys baking. After graduation, Lauren plans to work as a high school chemistry teacher.

Amelia Seppi McGuire is graduating with a bachelor's degree in computer science with an emphasis in animation and games. She has been a teaching assistant for three computer science courses and is currently a research assistant. Her teaching efforts and research developing an online gamified education platform for autistic adults earned her the Student Pathway Award at the Women Tech Awards, and she will present at the International Society for Autism Research conference in May. Amelia has also been recognized for her academic excellence and leadership, receiving the BYU Animation Program Scholarship in December 2023 and a nomination for the Brigham Award in March 2023 for exemplifying Christlike charity and service. She plans to pursue a PhD in computer science at BYU. Amelia is the daughter of Kevin and Lisa Seppi and is married to Jacob McGuire. She has a strong testimony of Jesus Christ and served in the Florida Orlando Mission from 2020 to 2022. She enjoys learning, creating LEGO stop-motion videos, and coding games. She loves spending time with her husband and their six-month-old son.

Isaac Matthew Thompson is the son of Cory and Jennifer Thompson of Crawfordsville, Indiana, and is married to Amelia Thompson. He is graduating with a double major in computer science with an emphasis in data science and Spanish studies, along with minors in mathematics, statistics, and translation and localization. During his time at BYU, he has worked in the MACHine Translation Research and Interlingual eXperimentation (MATRIX) Lab under Dr. Steve Richardson. Isaac has been an active member of the BYU Men's Chorus and has a passion for singing and languages. He speaks Spanish and Portuguese and is currently learning Mandarin Chinese. From 2020 to 2022 he served a mission in West Virginia and Mexico City. This fall he will begin a PhD program in computer science, specializing in machine translation. In his free time Isaac enjoys running, cycling, playing video games, and traveling. He and his wife look forward to starting a family soon.

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and Physics and Astronomy**
4:30 p.m.

Please remain seated during the processional.

Prelude and Postlude	Kent Seamons Computer Science Faculty
University Representative	Carl Hernandez III Vice President for Belonging
Welcome and Conducting	Grant J. Jensen Dean
Invocation	Amelia Seppi McGuire Computer Science
Speaker	Zane Ian Barr Physics Education
Speaker	Megan Nicole Flexhaug Geology
“It Is Well with My Soul” Lyrics by Horatio Spafford Music by Philip Bliss Arranged by David P. Zimmerman	Isaac Matthew Thompson, bass 1 Computer Science Grant Lewis Thompson, bass 2 Reid Powell Empey, tenor 1 Nathan Joseph Naillon, tenor 2
Remarks	Kevin D. Seppi 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	Lauren Nicole Green Chemistry Education

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

Graduates

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Chemistry and Biochemistry

BIOCHEMISTRY

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

DECEMBER 2024

Steven Lowell Mann
Christiansen
Shelby Thomas Harris

JUNE 2025

Wenhan Cheng
Aaron Lucas Zaugg

AUGUST 2025

Mikaila Irene Sass

CHEMISTRY

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

DECEMBER 2024

Megan Faux Biggs
Shane Michael Drake
Shawn Henry Gubler
Mariur Rodríguez Moreno

APRIL 2025

Nathaniel Ben Axtell
Sin Hang Ho
Sara Madisyn Johnston
Melissa Nguyen Lumogdang

JUNE 2025

Conner Joseph Nelson

AUGUST 2025

Michael Davenport
Terungwa Hange Iorkula

Physics and Astronomy

PHYSICS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

DECEMBER 2024

Ian Charles Bacon
Jason Alexander Meziere

APRIL 2025

Yonatan Kurniawan

JUNE 2025

Aiden Victor Harbick
Joshua Jordan Vawdrey

AUGUST 2025

Daniel Steven Hodge
Logan Troy Mathews

PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

APRIL 2025

Daniel Kempton Jones

AUGUST 2025

Scott Gary Call

MASTER'S DEGREES

Chemistry and Biochemistry

BIOCHEMISTRY

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Stefannia Esparza Pulido

AUGUST 2025

Maria Jose Pedroza Romo

CHEMISTRY

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Kriti Shrestha

APRIL 2025

Latifat Oluwatobi Ganiyu

Geological Sciences

GEOLOGY

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Alexis Smith Rowley

APRIL 2025

Levi James Decrescenzo
Alan Matthew Ketring
Theodore Lawrence Morgan
Alexander Jason Nye

JUNE 2025

Yazhe Hu
Emma Christine Morrison

Physics and Astronomy

PHYSICS

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Devin Matthew Lewis
Rylee Scott Russell
Lydia Sue Serafin
Yance Sun
Jacob Alexander Ward
Bethany En-Ning Wu

APRIL 2025

Kolten Lex Barfuss
Carson F Cunningham
Emma Rasmussen Groberg
Jared Samuel Logan
Nathaniel Stefan Wells

JUNE 2025

Kyle R Adams
Crystal-Lynn Jacqueline
Bartier

Joshua David Hancock
Hanna Michelle Pavill

AUGUST 2025

Levi Thomas Moats
Molly Elizabeth Christensen
Sampson

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

Chemistry and Biochemistry

BIOCHEMISTRY

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Joseph Vernon Clayson
Jenna Helene Fitzsimmons
Spencer Alan Jones
Dylan Klaton Knabb
Keegan Brady Lloyd
Steven Nicholas Walter
Kyler Jaxson Welsh
Karissa Williams

APRIL 2025

Miles Joseph Bradford
Christopher Bisgaard Calder
Stephen Ward Crawford
Makayley Jerusha Crisp
Eliza Anne Crowley
Wejdene Daouahi
Hailey Marie Hepworth
Carson Linde Hoopes
Clayton Nawai Lanakila
Moore

Sophie Nelson

Cade Paul Nordhagen
Genesis Orozco
Emma Lynn Richardson
Bryce Alan Tolman
Luke Laurin Westhoff
Justin Blaine Wood

JUNE 2025

Ian Christopher Abrams
Kai Samuel Bunker
Michael K. Haggard
Jacob Eyring McGuire
Kyle Eric Nielson
Kyle Stephen Taylor-Jones

CHEMISTRY

BACHELOR OF ARTS

APRIL 2025

Ian Douglas Nielsen

JUNE 2025

Koa Christopher Antonio
Shutt

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Annika Michelle Dean

APRIL 2025

Nelson Robert Bjazevich
James Christian Monson
Allison Alyssa Prue
Brayden Christopher Wehrli

JUNE 2025

Rebecca Jane Cole
Kelley Kim
Kirt Lewis Noble

AUGUST 2025

Caleb Daryl Potter
Matthew Eli Stecher
Aaron J. Tibbitts

CHEMISTRY EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

APRIL 2025

Lauren Nicole Green
Rachel Olivia Jones
Ruth Anne Roth
Lauryn Kailey Vasher

Computer Science

COMPUTER SCIENCE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Benjamin Jacob Bischoff
John Charles Damon
Bronze McKinley Frazer
Jehyeon Lee
Tanner David Montgomery
Haley Maeve Nelson
Brock Strong Rawson
Adam William Rice
Eric Heywood Thomas
Jazz Andrew Weller

APRIL 2025

Glenn Matthew Abernethy
Jacob Elliot Anderson
Myles Jared Barney
Joshua Jackson Baxter
Cameron Neil Birrell
Spencer Wayne Blanchard
Jacob Benjamin Cahoon
Andrew Brennen Cambridge
Joshua Ryan Chambers
Jonah Neil Checketts
Brayden Wade Christensen
Benjamin Nicholas Cullen
Cody McCabe Daniels
Hannah Isabell Decker

Jacob Ellis DeGraw
Dezaron Donte Dorsey
Jaysen Duckworth
Jeffrey Greg Eardley
Maysen Paul Fielding
Jack Sheridan Gashler
Ammon Mosiah Gleason
Caleb Marshall Harding
MaKenna Ranae Hardy
Brian Daniel Hayes
Brett Charles Horman
Peter Gregory Hu
Kimball Nolan Jardine
Clara Mengyu Li Kartchner
Abigail Marie Kemp
Hoon Lee
Joseph David Mattson
Joseph Eric Nelson
Jeffrey John Olmo
Jay Royal Orten
Blake Neal Peterson
Benson Mathew Probst
Preston Henry Raab
Juan Carlos Rangel Barco
Brady Roger Richardson
Nathan Kitching Roberts
Noah Parker Seneca
Brigham Brian Skarda
Johnny Slagle
Nicholas Hyrum Smith
Cole James Sutton
Hannah Madeline Tran
Samuel Charles Vance
Sarah Riley Bassett Ward
Chase Edward Zundel

JUNE 2025

Isaac James Criddle
Cassidy Lee Grover
Mark Andrew Heilner
Amelia Seppi McGuire
Nelson Michael Schnepf
YoungWoo Song
Isaac Matthew Thompson
Rebekah Loye Tran

AUGUST 2025

Daniel Kent Jones
Luke Thomas Marley
Scott David Milner

Geological Sciences

ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGY

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

APRIL 2025

Miaja Coombs
Lindy Vivian Miller

GEOLOGY

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Annalise Ruth Bassett
Douglas Joshua Christiansen
Mikayla Marie Kartchner

APRIL 2025

Aaron Jakob Chipman
Megan Nicole Flexhaug
Emma Rose Gosselin
Aaron Michael Harris
Mindy Elna Nelson
Justin Howard Petersen
Brad Walter Taylor

JUNE 2025

Caleb Harrison Ummel

Physics and Astronomy

APPLIED PHYSICS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2024

Dorian Eyre Baldwin-Bott
Michael Thomas Hoffman
Cameron Crawford Kubal
Bradley Wayne McLaughlin
Ethan D Robinson

APRIL 2025

Jesse D Blaine
Abigail Mae Hardy
Carpenter
Carter McKay Colton
Ryan Trevor Fuhriman
Dallin Thomas Harwood
Blake Conrad Hawkins
Noah Dane Hebdon
Jesús Andrés Herrera Chacón
Levi K Homer
Sean Wesley Hull
Michael D Lund
Collin Bruce McGregor
Porter Brian Nelson
Spencer Tilton Neu
Amelia Elena Poulin
Jared Lewis Roth
Sarianne Michelle Winters
Kenneth Joshua Woolley

JUNE 2025

Mark Richards Carlisle
Jacob Alexander Fuller
Bryce Anders Lundstrom
Trigg Edward Randall Jr.

AUGUST 2025

Jason Danford Bickmore
Natalie Jane Bickmore
Tyler Ray Brady
Michael Merrill Hogg
Ian Robert Jackson
Noah Loyal Pulsipher
Madilyn Kelli Moore Randall
Lincoln Spencer Stewart

PHYSICAL SCIENCE EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

APRIL 2025

Jacob Boyd Hales

JUNE 2025

Megan Brockbank

PHYSICS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**DECEMBER 2024**

Wesley Eugene Olson
John J Ray
Kayson McKade Reardon

APRIL 2025

Matthew Regado Allphin
Kimberly Lindquist Barr
Darcey Mae Britton
Martin Austin Clemens
Thomas Henry Cochran
Dawson Michael Garner
Michael Murdock
Hunter James Pratt
Nathan Jeffrey Woolley
Matthew Lewis Worthington
Matthew Gregory Yancey

JUNE 2025

Hyrum Clark Taylor

AUGUST 2025

Samuel Kunzler
Camille Irene Shaw

**PHYSICS AND
ASTRONOMY**

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**APRIL 2025**

Perri Rae Adams
Matthew James Schlitters
Meagan Lane Thatcher
Matthew Li Toole
Grace Catherine Steed Ward

JUNE 2025

Nefi Pineda
Garrett Daniel Suggs
Madeline Sally Wright

AUGUST 2025

James Robert Bleazard
Penelope Claire Bowden
Ericksen McKay Harms
Nicholas Aaron LeVar

PHYSICS EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**APRIL 2025**

Jason Robert Logan

AUGUST 2025

Zane Ian Barr
Nathan Fischer Van Dyke

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 2025

Hannah Madeline Tran

JUNE 2025

Isaac James Criddle
Rebekah Loye Tran
Garrett Daniel Suggs

Summa Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2024

Bryson Vaughn Armstrong
Alexander Lawrence de la Bruere
Dakota Kay Harward
Caleb Anthony Hill
Mackenzie Grace Hill
Grace Elizabeth Kenny
Keegan Brady Lloyd
Seth James Peterson
Adam Jared Rounsville
Jaden Sterner
Eric Heywood Thomas

APRIL 2025

Cameron Neil Birrell
Jacob Benjamin Cahoon
Andrew Brennen Cambridge
Austin Grover Cook
Caleb Packard Crowther
Cody McCabe Daniels
Trevor Beowulf Garrity
Ian Hyrum Goodwin
Caleb Marshall Harding
Joshua Reed Hendershot
David Glen Jorgensen
Trevor James Larsen
Joseph Colter Paulson
Daniel Bernard Perkins
Hunter James Pratt

Seth Eric Remer
Philip Harold Richey
Matthew Wallace Shumway
Brylee Wilcox Smith
Sterling Gilbert Smith
Brent Alexander Thomson
Tyler Ashton Trommlitz
Samuel Charles Vance
Sophie Patricia Welton
Luke Laurin Westhoff

Magna Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2024

Joshua Max Bergstrom
James Mark Christensen
Jenna Helene Fitzsimmons
David Udo Gaag
Joseph Rand Henderson
Amber Elizabeth Petersen
Tyson Noel Peterson

APRIL 2025

Jarom Isaac Asher
Diego Nathanael Blaylock
Darcy Mae Britton
Drake Benjamin Brown
Nathanael Jared Bulloch
Stephen Ward Crawford
Benjamin Nicholas Cullen
Zachary Todd Erikson
Megan Nicole Flexhaug
Max Clyde Gollaher
Kimball Nolan Jardine
Ethan Henry Katz
Morgan E. Kurth
Jeffrey John Olmo
Brett Ivan Pedersen
Briggs Christopher Reed
David Harold Thompson
Bryce Alan Tolman
Jacob Dean Trader

Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2024

Anna Christina Anderson
Alden Chandler Howard
Dallin James Huff

Braydon Michael Jones
Michael Ray Stafford
Jazz Andrew Weller

APRIL 2025

Adam Michael Call
Andrew Patrick Cherpeski
Aaron Jakob Chipman
Harrison Daniel Cole
Callie Anne Lunt Curtis
Jacob Ellis DeGraw
Rebekah Ross Erikson
Maysen Paul Fielding
Lauren Nicole Green
Dallin Thomas Harwood
Noah Dane Hebdon
Tyler Nathan Hiatt
Levi K Homer
Spencer Seth Kunkel
Collin Bruce McGregor
Aaron Christopher Onstott
Samantha Mari Rasch
Nathan Tanner Serrine
Nathan Cannon Todd
Nicholas Anton Vorster

Phi Kappa Phi

DECEMBER 2024

James Mark Christensen
Mackenzie Grace Hill
Keegan Brady Lloyd
Benjamin Jeffrey Shafer

APRIL 2025

Kolten Lex Barfuss
Cayden Karl Blake
Brendon Hyrum Bown
Caleb Marshall Harding
Brylee Wilcox Smith
Nicholas Hyrum Smith
Nathan Cannon Todd
Noelle Brynne Hunter Winn

JUNE 2025

Jonathan Berry Skaggs

AUGUST 2025

Taylor Neil Archibald
Tyler Ray Brady

Students who received or will receive the scholastic honors summa cum laude, magna cum laude, and cum laude will have this designation indicated on their individual diplomas and transcripts after final grades are posted. These honors for June and August candidates have not yet been determined and therefore are not listed in the program.

ROTC

Air Force

APRIL 2025

Jesse D Blaine

JUNE 2025

Lauren Michelle Flanders