



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

April 23, 2026

Wilkinson Student Center Ballroom

2:00 p.m.

*Departments of Mathematics,
Mathematics Education, and Statistics*

Convocation Participants

Kenneth Duane Applegate is the son of Vance and Tiffany Applegate of Chandler, Arizona. Kenny is married to Catherine Applegate, and their son, Jack, was born in January. Kenny is graduating summa cum laude in mathematics with a minor in computer science. He scored in the top 500 of the William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition for the last two years and also enjoys competing with the Competitive Programming Club. He was the math lab lower division head tutor for a year and a half. He has also done research in arithmetic number theory with Dr. Kyle Pratt. Last summer Kenny completed an internship doing mathematics research with the Department of Defense. He served in the California Newport Beach and Brazil Juiz de Fora Missions. In his free time he enjoys Ultimate Frisbee, video games, and spending time with his family. He plans to attend graduate school in mathematics in the fall.

Joseph Patrick Beal is the son of Brett and Paige Beal of Cedar Hills, Utah. Patrick is graduating with a double major in applied and computational mathematics and economics. He is a Wheatley Scholar, having received the scholarship in April 2024 for the 2024–2025 cohort. He has conducted physiological signals research with Dr. Tyler Jarvis and contributed to university research under President C. Shane Reese. He has served as lead trombonist in the Jazz Ensemble, principal trombonist in the Symphony Orchestra, and accompanist for BYU Opera and BYU Ballet. Patrick served in the New York Syracuse Mission from 2021 to 2023. After graduation he plans to work full-time as lead AI engineer at a technology consulting startup and will be getting married the week following commencement. In his free time he enjoys going on walks and to the temple with his fiancée, writing musical arrangements, and building AI-powered apps to help friends and family.

Madeline Marie Benson is the daughter of Brian and Tamra Smith of Beaverton, Oregon, and is married to Treven Benson. Madeline is graduating summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in statistics with an emphasis in applied statistics and analytics. She is the recipient of several full-tuition academic scholarships from BYU as well as the Wessel/Marshall Memorial Scholarship and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. For more than a year she has done research with Dr. Richard Warr on comparative modeling of fault-tolerant, engineered system architectures. This past academic year Madeline served as vice president of the Statistics Association, leading a committee responsible for organizing social events for the Statistics Department. This summer Madeline will intern at Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as part of the Mathematics and Analytics Research Technical Internship for Advanced National Security. Madeline served a mission in Antofagasta, Chile, from 2022 to 2023. In her free time she enjoys cooking, playing tennis, and going on dates with her husband. In the fall she will work on receiving a master's degree in statistics from BYU.

Rebekah Marie Partington is the daughter of Rachel and Joseph Stark of Yucaipa, California, and is married to Matthew Partington. Rebekah is graduating in mathematics education with a minor in family life. She is the recipient of both the Whatcott Family and the Alvina Soffel Barrett Scholarships. Rebekah has been participating in math education research on curricular reasoning with Dr. Dawn Teuscher for the past two years. Last year Rebekah worked on an undergraduate pilot study on BYU preservice teachers' understanding of curricular reasoning and connection to their coursework. Rebekah has been student teaching eighth graders at Sage Canyon Middle School with Mrs. Stephanie Brunner as her mentor and Ashlyn Hill as her student-teaching partner. In her free time Rebekah enjoys cooking, biking, hiking, and spending time with her friends and family. After graduation she plans to be a full-time math teacher.

Hongting Wang, also known as Ketherine Wang, is the daughter of Aijun Wang and Jingnan Fan of Zhengzhou, Henan, China. She moved to the United States at the age of 15 and was baptized and confirmed a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 2018 in the Irvine Yale Mandarin Ward. Hongting is graduating cum laude from Brigham Young University with a bachelor's degree in statistics with an emphasis in data science and a minor in computer science. She not only has been the recipient of the BYU Academic Scholarship for four years but also received scholarships from the College of Computational, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences (Russell C. Richards Scholarship) and the Statistics Department for three years. Hongting worked with Dr. Robert Richardson on a cardiovascular healthcare forecasting research project. She has interned with the data science team in the Welfare and Self-Reliance Services of the Church of Jesus Christ. She began formal training in piano and ballroom dance at the age of five and competed in both for 15 years. She later performed a piano duet with her twin brother at Carnegie Hall in New York. In her free time she also enjoys skiing and video editing. After graduation she plans to begin her career as a data scientist or machine learning engineer.

Departments of Mathematics, Mathematics Education, and Statistics

2:00 p.m.

Please remain seated during the processional.

Prelude and Postlude	Landon J. Finch Organ Performance Graduate Student
University Representative	Justin Collings Academic Vice President
Welcome and Conducting	Kevin D. Seppi Associate Dean
Invocation	Madeline Marie Benson Statistics
Speaker	Rebekah Marie Partington Mathematics Education
Speaker	Hongting Wang Statistics
“Lead, Kindly Light” Text by John Henry Newman (1833) Music by John B. Dykes Arranged by Joseph Patrick Beal	Joseph Patrick Beal Mathematics
Remarks	Grant J. Jensen 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	Kevin D. Seppi Associate Dean
Benediction	Kenneth Duane Applegate Mathematics

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

Graduates

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Mathematics

MATHEMATICS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

DECEMBER 2025

Andrew Joseph Haviland

APRIL 2026

Nicholas Lee Bastian

AUGUST 2026

Enqi Luo

MASTER'S DEGREES

Mathematics

MATHEMATICS

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2025

Gilles Tamba Bokolo

Adrienne Irene Christensen

David Elijah Friedbaum

David Thomas Litster

Eric Michael Stubben

APRIL 2026

Dustin Joseph Angerhofer

David Ryan Camacho

Melanie Rae Neller

Nathan Earl Schill

Nathaniel Scott Sill

JUNE 2026

Luke Matthew Green

Mary Ruth Jenkins

Timothy Jay Keith

Dallin Edward Seyfried

Paige Elise Tanner

AUGUST 2026

Jeddy Mckay Bennett

Mathematics Education

MATHEMATICS

EDUCATION

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2025

Allyssa Sonnefeld Leavitt

APRIL 2026

Alexander Ashby Swindler

JUNE 2026

Kate Webster Green

Jeffrey Peter Nair

AUGUST 2026

Lacey Elizabeth Campbell

Jade Elizabeth Gregg

Emilie Nadine Hendrickson

Sarah Elizabeth Benson

Nielsen

Tiea Corinne Paschal

Statistics

STATISTICS

MASTER OF SCIENCE

APRIL 2026

Paul Bauer Crowley

Daisy Sharon Harris

Gavin Rothery Hatch

Ty Elliott Hawkes

Talmage Mano Hilton

Sam Casey Lee

Camilla Adia McKinnon

Evan Richardson Miller

Ali Nackos

Matthew Grant Nielson

Jackson Keith Passey

Patric Alan Platts

Connor Scott Thompson

Brigg Holyoak Trendler

Brianne Hanora Weaver

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

Mathematics

MATHEMATICS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2025

Calvin Robert Boyce

Benjamin Mark Cottam

Zachary Michael Evans

Sophie Juliette Harman

Joshua Roy Hoagland

APRIL 2026

Dallin Lowell Anderson

Timothy Curtis Anderson

Dustin Joseph Angerhofer

McCall Angerhofer

Kenneth Duane Applegate

Joseph Patrick Beal

Jai Chaudhary

Katelyn Rose Seager Clark

Darian B Comsa

Elizabeth Hannah Cornaby

Annie Catherine Busath

Crous

Benjamin Garrett DeVries

Diana Ellingford

Oscar Javier Escobar

Rodriguez

Isaac Bradford Fisher

Melissa Ann Franson

Samuel Clark Goodson

Brent Andrew Hall

Timothy James Hart

Taylor William Hawkins

Kurt Healy

Alex Nicolas Hermosilla

Cifuentes

Tiara Ruth Eddington Huang

Caleb Jones

Teayoun Kim

Clifton Paul Langley

Alexis Grace Lee

Samuel Bronnum Liechty

Nathan Joseph Longhurst

Gene Alexander Mannewitz

Samuel Luke Matheson

Connor Jeffery McBride

Emmaline Michelle

McKinnon

Andema John Mongane

Michelle Dianne Mumford

Jason Travis Oliphant

Tyler James Pace

Ethan Richard Palenske

Kaden Brent Parker

David Alexander Parry

Anna Sally Petersen

Wyatt Jackson Pochman

Taylor Boan Rubalcava

Benjamin David Settle

Nathaniel Scott Sill

Samuel Hinckley Simmons

Ashley Spencer

Nephi Takashi Suyama

Aurelien Quirino Swan

Brandon Jensen Waits

Hailey Whetten

Rowan Thomas Williams

Spencer Travis Williams

Jared Christopher Winn

Seokkwon Yoon

Xavier Jackson Zaitzeff

JUNE 2026

Matthew Garrit Bingham

Christopher Craig Caryotakis

Abel Matthew Palmer

Joseph Dean Rasmussen

Luke Alan Robinson

AUGUST 2026

Ryan Justin Barrus

Jeddy Mckay Bennett

Emerson Marie Chatwin

Joshua Edward Kirk

Alice Yelena Lundgren

William Andrew Martin

Fletcher James Murray

Isaac Scott Smith

Jason Henry Tullis

Matthew Merrill Ward

Vance Aoi Williams

Mathematics Education

MATHEMATICS

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2025

Anna Christine Baker

Aspen Alamea Barber

Allyson Janette Brunsdale

Emmelia Grace Cieslewicz

Jenna Linn Cope

Kyla McKay Edgar
Elise Marie Hutchison
Frandsen
Noah Douglas Holliday
Meri Grace Hunt
Paige Marie Johnson
Isaac Nathaniel Lainhart
Katie C Limburg
Isabel Quynh-Lan Pho Mason
Kylie Pearl Penner
Makayla Laray Rodriguez
Allison Jane Tanner
Brandon Mark Walton
Kalli Michelle Youngberg

APRIL 2026

Grace Meek Arnold
Olivia Ruth Demetter
Maya Carmen Duckworth
d'Evegne
Halle Garner
John Wesley Hathaway
Ashlyn Paige Hill
Abigail Rowe Johnson
John Leavitt Kloosterman
Jacob Oliver Leetham
Erik Joseph Nunnally
Hannah Morgan Parent
Rebekah Marie Partington
Katherine Anne Perez
Tessa Janette Phair
Camille Kate Torgesen
Amy Kristine Walkenhorst
Kevin Erwin Wonnacott

Statistics

ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2025

Carson Kurtis Buttars
Angelina Grace Camen

APRIL 2026

Joseph Basem Abu Manneh
Michael Hollis Bjornberg
Sophia Marcovna Black
Nathan David Brueck
Michael W. Chang
Camden Michael Eggers
Maxwell Spencer Fairbourne
Vincent Lloyd Galbraith
Nathan Noah Gordon

Gavin Rothery Hatch
Matthew Brody Lines
Julia Dawn Nilsson
Jakob Stephen Potts
Isaac Rockwell Rands
Jonah Kuhio Stoddard
Brandon Iosefa Upper
Nathan Richard Weed
Riley Scott Williams

AUGUST 2026

Storm Brandon Dixon

STATISTICS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

DECEMBER 2025

Audrey Haskell Barney
Dylan Grant Christensen
Colby Christian Eastmond
Hayden Makay Galloway
Christopher David Gordon
Trevor Chad Hancock
Kelson Dee Jensen
Elise Anne Johnson
Layne Keith Larson
Ellee Grayce Millard
Dallin Scott Neeley
Hunter Wayne Sanders
Sofia Denise Scribner
Tate Mortensen Smith
Erika Wells
Sarah Louise Whitaker

APRIL 2026

Jeremy Diego Abbott
Eric Antillon
Summer Maryann Askey
Thomas John Baker
Rachel Beckstead
Nicholas Hans Bell
Madeline Marie Benson
Daniela Michelle Binns
Aubrey Melinda Call
Ethan Matthew Clayburn
Aaron Tyler Clemons
Eric Gregory Coons
Daniel Crofts
Jillian Patrice Davies
Sedona Lauren Dettwiler
Jordan Taylor Evans
MaryEllen Elizabeth
Faulconer
Margaret June Ferre

Alyssa Jane Ford
Katie Ann Youngberg
Giauque
Devan James Gwynn
Cameron Bingham Hamilton
Jacob Douglas Hamilton
Ty Elliott Hawkes
Samantha Sue Hilton
Talmage Mano Hilton
Collin Max Jensen
Weon Geun Kim
Richard James Klein
Sam Casey Lee
Hannah K Lyons
Katsuhiko Maeda
Caleb Lee McMahan
Lizeth Mendoza
Connor James Meredith
Colby J Miller
Marcie Sue Mortensen
Ben Murdock
Lindsey Elise Napierski
Marshall Scott Nielsen
Cameron Miles Pitcher
Jordan Marin Pitts
Patric Alan Platts
Andrea Giles Reed
Dallin Ryan Robinson
Austin Charles Rozsa
Haley Briggs Sainsbury
Jonas Abel Schiel
Nels K. Schulzke
Brooke Eva Seeley
Julia Limin Siebert
Daniel Ray Sumsion
Zion Jared Tippetts
Walter Jeremy Vogelmann
Ella Mary-Madeliene Walker
Matthew Benjamine Walker
Hongting Wang
Kimberly Erin Bartholomew
Williams

JUNE 2026

Adam James Bitner
Carter Read Hale
Danika Ruth Lasson
Cooper Douglas Riggs
Jenna Ann Worthen

AUGUST 2026

Ridge S Atwood
Emily Elizabeth Bacon
David Dehlin Fillmore
Sofia Pelagalli Maia

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.

DECEMBER 2025

Calvin Robert Boyce

JUNE 2026

Joseph Dean Rasmussen

AUGUST 2026

Jason Henry Tullis

Summa Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2025

Garrett Alexander Bennett
Talmage R Bird
Trevor Kristofer Bond
Caleb Joseph Bradshaw
Tanner Dickson Child
Katherine Grace Greer
Olivia Louise Harrison
Noah Douglas Holliday
Meri Grace Hunt
Charles Cardwell Johnson
Joshua Gavin Klingonsmith
Isabel Quynh-Lan Pho Mason
German Rios-Lazo
Evan Daniel Smith

APRIL 2026

Kenneth Duane Applegate
Madeline Marie Benson
Tyler Angus Blackham
Yu Chen
Katelyn Rose Seager Clark
William Elijah Clayton
Zachary Bennett Cluff
Benjamin Garrett DeVries
Nathan Noah Gordon
Cayson James Hamilton
Tiara Ruth Eddington Huang

Peter Kainoakenekona Jensen
Olivia Anne Leavitt
Nicholas Shaun Lewis
Gene Alexander Mannewitz
Connor Jeffery McBride
Shayla Ann McMillan
Isaac Bradley
Neuenschwander
Jason Travis Oliphant
Ethan Richard Palenske
Wyatt Jackson Pochman
Merica Rowley
Daniel Ray Sumsion
Carson Allan Tenney
Matthew Benjamine Walker
Nathan Richard Weed
Hailey Whetten

Magna Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2025

Calvin Robert Boyce
David Kurt Hayes
Tae-hoon Kim

APRIL 2026

Benjamin Philip Brittain
Alexander McRae Burgess
Kristian Kemper Green
Hannah Grace Spigarelli
Jeremy Scott Summers
Ethan Lucas Wait
Brixtin Lee Walker
Danika Elisabeth West
Skyler Anthony Williams

Cum Laude

DECEMBER 2025

Carter Lewis Adams
Dylan Grant Christensen
Emmelia Grace Cieslewicz
Kyla McKay Edgar
Tanner Dru England
Ka Po Kwok
Reid Lafe Merrell
Miles Howard Spencer

APRIL 2026

Matthew Flynn Bailey
Austin Christopher Beckstead
Elizabeth Hannah Cornaby
Ethan Max Hardy
Timothy James Hart
Troy Orlin Hess
Ashlyn Paige Hill
Austin Jacob Hillyard
David Kartchner
Alden Son'u Kim
Hannah Marie Kunkel
Rhett Tyler Lundell
Benjamin David Madsen
Connor James Meredith
Colby J Miller
Connor James Nesbit
Grace Fumi-Un Pasion
Nathan Thomas Prisbrey
Emily Denise Richards
Nathaniel Scott Sill
Ashley Spencer
Spencer William
Summerhays
Hongting Wang
Spencer Robert Winward
Seokkwon Yoon

Phi Kappa Phi

DECEMBER 2025

Taylor Neil Archibald
Andrew Joseph Haviland
Charles Cardwell Johnson
Ethan Michael Pedersen
Jonathan Berry Skaggs

APRIL 2026

Kolten Lex Barfuss
Madeline Marie Benson
Samira Jafari
Nicholas Shaun Lewis
Brock C Schindler
Nathan Richard Weed

JUNE 2026

Michael Charles Clark

AUGUST 2026

Kayla Elizabeth Krstic

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 2026

Nicholas Hans Bell

William Steven Lyons IV

Jared Christopher Winn