

**Accreditation**

Brigham Young University - Idaho is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

Accreditation of an institution of higher education by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities indicates that it meets or exceeds criteria for the assessment of institutional quality evaluated through a peer review process. An accredited college or university is one which has available the necessary resources to achieve its stated purposes through appropriate educational programs, is substantially doing so, and gives reasonable evidence that it will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Institutional integrity is also addressed through accreditation.

Accreditation by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities is not partial but applies to the institution as a whole. As such, it is not a guarantee of every course or program offered, or the competence of individual graduates. Rather, it provides reasonable assurance about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend the institution.

Inquiries regarding an institution’s accredited status by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities should be directed to the administrative staff of the institution. Individuals may also contact:

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities  
8060 165th Ave. N.E., Suite 100  
Redmond, WA 98052  
(425)558-4224  
www.nwccu.org

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**Statement of Nondiscrimination**

BYU-Idaho considers non-discrimination to be fundamental to its mission, goals, and objectives. BYU-Idaho recognizes that its future success is, in part, dependent upon its ability to successfully accommodate the increasingly diverse nature of the student body and employees, which diversity is promoted by the worldwide growth of its sponsoring Church. The University is committed not to unlawfully discriminate in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, employment and other university-administered programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, veteran status, genetic information, or disability for all individuals who meet University and department academic requirements and agree to abide by the University’s standards of conduct and behavior. The University does exercise the “religious” exemption in admissions as granted in Title IX of the Education Amendments, 20 U.S.C. 1681 (a)(3) and in hiring employees as granted in 41 CFR 60-1.5(a)(5).

Any person who believes he or she has been discriminated against should contact the following:

Students.....Dean of Students Office, located in 290 Kimball, or call (208) 496-9200  
Faculty.....Academic Office, located in 210 Kimball, or call (208) 496-1135  
Staff.....Human Resources Office, located in 226 Kimball, or call (208) 496-1700

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**Academic Freedom**

Brigham Young University-Idaho invites faculty members and students to pursue secular knowledge in a climate of religious belief. This model consciously embraces all truth, regardless of its source.

Individual freedom lies at the core of both religious and academic life and is based not only on a belief in the value of free inquiry, but also on the gospel principle that humans are moral agents. Faculty members and students are encouraged to seek knowledge in the sacred as well as the secular; to learn through their hearts, by the Spirit, and with their minds; and to honor both the written word of God and continuing revelation.

Faculty members and students are entrusted with individual academic freedom and are encouraged to pursue truth according to the theories, methodologies and practices that characterize scholarship in the various disciplines. This trust encompasses the freedom to explore a variety of ideas.

The Board of Trustees and the academic leadership of BYU-Idaho expect faculty members to protect the fundamental interests and the doctrines of the Church, the individual faith of Church members, and the mission of the University at all times. Faculty members are free to discuss and analyze Church doctrine and policy. However, faculty members should not engage in expressions with students privately or in public that knowingly contradict or oppose Church doctrine and policy. Faculty members should not deliberately attack or deride the Church or its leaders. Nor should they violate the Honor Code.