

4. Continuing Ecclesiastical Endorsement

The Board of Trustees of BYU-Idaho requires every student, attending the university to have an annual continuing ecclesiastical endorsement. This will be completed by the bishop of the ward in which the student and/or membership record reside. The continuing endorsement must be completed prior to registering for classes.

The bishop verifies the following:

- If LDS, the student is in full fellowship in the Church
- The student lives a chaste and virtuous life, including avoidance of pornography, abstinence from sexual relations outside of marriage, and abstinence from homosexual conduct
- The student lives the Word of Wisdom by abstaining from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, coffee, tea, and other harmful substances
- The student demonstrates appropriate and consistent church activity
- The student is honest

The student verifies they are striving to live the Honor Code. Students will renew their endorsement during the first semester of their assigned track. Online students without an assigned track will renew their endorsement annually during the semester of their initial enrollment.

5. Church Attendance

One of the greatest advantages Brigham Young University-Idaho offers its students is the opportunity to be a member of a student ward and stake. Sunday meetings, Monday home evenings and other activities contribute to the spiritual and social growth of each student. Progress toward spirituality and righteousness is greatly enhanced through participation in the sacrament, priesthood, Relief Society and auxiliary meetings provided each week. BYU-Idaho's most important mission is to encourage students to live the principles and build testimonies of the restored gospel of Jesus Christ.

Attendance in your assigned ward is a requirement for continued enrollment. Students who do not attend their church meetings may have their endorsements withdrawn.

Single students living in approved housing are expected to attend their assigned YSA ward. Students whose home is in the immediate community are expected to attend their home ward or assigned YSA ward. Married students generally attend married-student wards but may elect to attend community ward in which they reside based on specific family needs.