



Online Degree Application for Admission

Brigham Young University–Idaho exists to provide an education consistent with the religious and family values taught by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints. In Admissions, we prefer members of the Church in good standing but will not unlawfully discriminate against applicants based upon gender, race, creed, religion, national origin, age, or disability who meet the requirements; who agree to abide by the Honor Code and Dress and Grooming Standards; and who are otherwise qualified based upon available space.

Individuals with disabilities who may require special accommodations should contact Services for Students with Disabilities at BYU–Idaho (208) 496–1158 (Voice/TDD).

The campus security report published pursuant to The Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990 information is available upon written request to the Admissions Office.

BYU–Idaho is affiliated with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints' Church Educational System (CES). It is the policy of CES to share educational records with its affiliates. Confidentiality of student records policy is printed in the catalog.

Because of enrollment limitations, BYU–Idaho will not admit a student who has previously received a degree equivalent to the one sought.

Due to an overwhelming number of students currently enrolled in teacher certification programs, BYU–Idaho does not extend admission to graduated students for the purpose of obtaining an elementary or secondary education certification.

Components and Limitations

The Degree. Bachelor of University Studies (BUS) Online is a non-specialty degree program designed to offer former Ricks College and BYU–Idaho students an opportunity to complete their bachelor's degree from home.

The Degree Components. The program requires the completion of two minors and a cluster, selected from four available subjects: Business, Communications (cluster only), English, and History. Students must also fulfill the university general education, religion, and graduation requirements to graduate.

The Degree Limitations. This degree is not designed to prepare students to compete in the job market in specific areas such as business; rather, it is intended to meet the needs of students who are interested in a broad based education. University Studies is a degree program generally not intended for transfer; however, some graduate schools will admit students with this degree. Students who plan to attend graduate school should verify this fact before pursuing a University Studies degree.

Students must do their own research and find the answers to these questions before completing the application for admission:

1. What are my career/academic goals?
2. What do people with these goals need to do to reach them?
3. Is university studies an accepted/desirable path by admission boards, hiring managers and/or key decision makers in my future?

Important Note: Prospective students should carefully evaluate their career goals and consult with an advisor before applying for this program. This program is not for BYU–Idaho day students (see www.byui.edu/OnlineLearning for day students options).

Application Process

1. Complete the BYU–Idaho Online Degree Application for Admission.
 - a. Part 1: Student Information
 - b. Part 2: Educational Plans
 - c. Part 3: Student Commitment and Confidential Report and Ecclesiastical Endorsement
 - d. Official Transcripts from each college or university you are attending or have attended
 - e. \$35 non–refundable application fee*
2. Allow 4–8 weeks for admission to BYU–Idaho
3. Complete the BUS Online Orientation Course
 - a. BUS Online Graduation Plan
4. Await formal acceptance into the program before enrolling in any other courses

* Not required of former students or those who have paid previously.

Admission Application Deadlines

All materials must be received, by March 1st for Summer of Fall semesters, or by October 1st for Winter semester.

Notification of Application Status and Admission

Once complete, you will receive a letter from BYU–Idaho notifying you of the admission decision. You can track your status online at www.byui.edu/admissions.

Part 1: Student Information

Legal Name: _____ Male Female
Surname/Family Name, First, Middle or Maiden (International students: name as it appears on passport)

Preferred First Name: _____

Net ID: _____ - _____ - _____

Birth Date: _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

Complete Mailing Address (including street, city, state, country, postal code):

Telephone: (_____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Marital Status (mark only one box; used for insurance purposes): Single Married Widowed Divorced

Veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces: Yes No

The following information is voluntary and will be used in a lawful manner to prepare statistical reports for government agencies, institutional research, and in admissions to promote a culturally enriched environment.

Racial/Ethnic Category (mark any box or boxes you use to identify yourself; if more than one, circle primary):

Asian/Asian American Hispanic/Latino White Black/African American American Indian/Alaska Native Pacific Islander Hawaiian/Part Hawaiian

Religious Affiliation:

LDS Church Member Other Religion (please specify): _____

For LDS Church Members: Home Ward/Branch _____ Home Stake/District _____

Have you served or are you currently serving an LDS mission? Yes No

Date Entered MTC: _____ / _____ Date Released: _____ / _____
Month Year Month Year

Current Name of Mission: _____

Legal Name: _____
Surname/Family Name, First, Middle or Maiden (International students: name as it appears on passport)

Please answer the following questions. (Failure to answer these questions will leave your application in an incomplete status.)

1. Are you currently excommunicated or disfellowshipped from, on probation with, or voluntarily disaffiliated from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints? (An applicant who is currently excommunicated or disfellowshipped from, on probation with, or voluntarily disaffiliated from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is generally inadmissible until reinstated to full fellowship.) Yes No
2. Are you affiliated with a church or other religious group that advocates the current practice of plural marriage? If yes, you must provide a letter of explanation. Yes No
3. Are you currently on probation, parole, under restriction with any court, or have you ever been convicted of a crime (other than a traffic violation)? If yes, you must provide a letter of explanation. Yes No

Educational History

My High School/Secondary education consisted of the following (check all that apply):

- Public High School Private High School Home School GED

List your graduating high school or secondary school. If your graduating high school or secondary school uses a U.S.-based curriculum, we must receive transcripts showing enrollments for a minimum of grades 9-11. **Attention Canadian Applicants: Grade 9 must be submitted with your High School Transcript to complete your application.**

High School/Secondary School	Location (city, state, country)	Graduation (mm/yyyy)
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List all colleges or universities attended. **(Do not list high schools.) Failure to list all institutions you have attended/are attending can result in a loss of credit and dismissal.** It is your responsibility to make sure an official transcript from each institution, including LDS Institute, is submitted before the application deadline. For degree(s) awarded prior to currently sought admission, use the following: AS = Associate, BS = Bachelor's, MS = Master's, PhD = Doctorate.

College/University	Location (city, state, country)	From (mm/yyyy) - To (mm/yyyy)	Degree
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Spouse or Family Contact (International students **must** give their home country address)

Legal Name: _____
Surname/Family Name First Middle

Relationship: Spouse Father Mother Other

Complete Mailing Address (including city, state, country and postal code):

Telephone: (_____) _____

I hereby certify all statements in this application are complete and true and acknowledge that my admission and my continuing status are conditional on such completeness and truthfulness.

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

Part 2: Educational Plans

Legal Name: _____ Net ID: _____
Surname/Family Name First Middle or Maiden

Male Female Birth Date (month/day/year): ____/____/____ Telephone: (____) _____

Please mark the semester/block and year for which you are applying

Year _____

Semester/Block: (mark only one box)

- 1st Summer (May – June)
- 2nd Summer (Late June – August)
- Fall (September – December)
- Winter (January – April)

Please mark the degrees you have already earned (check all that apply):

- Associate _____(mm/yyyy)
- Bachelor's _____(mm/yyyy)
- Master's _____(mm/yyyy)
- Doctorate _____(mm/yyyy)

Please mark which major you are applying to :

- Online Bachelor's of University Studies
- Online RN-BSN Nursing degree
- Teacher Certification

“Get all the education you
can... Cultivate skills of mind
and hands. Education is the
key to opportunity.”

President Gordon B. Hinckley *Teachings of Gordon B. Hinckley (1997), 172.*



Quotation and Photograph of President Gordon B. Hinckley
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Part 3: Student Commitment and Confidential Report Online Degree **BYU** IDAHO

Legal Name: _____ Net ID: _____
Surname/Family Name First Middle or Maiden

Male Female Birth Date (month/day/year): _____ / _____ / _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

Instructions to the LDS Applicant: Review and commit to abide by the Honor Code and the Dress and Grooming Standards. After completing this page, you must interview with your LDS bishop or branch president. LDS applicants must also interview with a member of their current stake or district presidency. Your ecclesiastical leader will complete the back of Part 3 and mail it directly to the BYU-Idaho Admissions Office.

Students currently enrolled at an LDS-sponsored institution should be interviewed by the bishop of their student ward. No stake interview is required. Full-time missionaries for the LDS Church should be interviewed by their mission president.

Instructions to the Non-LDS Applicant: You must be interviewed by clergy of your own faith or by an LDS bishop. The ecclesiastical leader will complete the back side of Part 3 and mail it directly to the BYU-Idaho Admissions Office.

Church Educational System Honor Code

Brigham Young University-Idaho exists to provide an education in an atmosphere consistent with the ideals and principles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. That atmosphere is created and preserved through commitment to conduct that reflects those ideals and principles. Members of the faculty, administration, staff, and student body at BYU-Idaho are selected and retained from among individuals who voluntarily live the principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Observance of such is a specific condition of employment and admission. Those individuals who are not members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are also expected to maintain the same standards of conduct, except church attendance. All who represent BYU-I are to maintain the highest standards of honor, integrity, morality, and consideration of others in personal behavior. By accepting appointment on the faculty, continuing in employment, or continuing class enrollment, individuals evidence their commitment to observe the Honor Code standards approved by the Board of Trustees "at all times and . . . in all places" (Mosiah 18:9).

Honor Code Statement

We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing good to all men. . . . If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things. — 13th Article of Faith

As a matter of personal commitment, faculty, administration, staff, and students of Brigham Young University-Idaho seek to demonstrate in daily living on and off campus those moral virtues encompassed in the gospel of Jesus Christ, and will

- Be honest
- Live a chaste and virtuous life
- Obey the law and all campus policies
- Use clean language
- Respect others
- Abstain from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, tea, coffee, and substance abuse
- Participate regularly in church services
- Observe Dress and Grooming Standards
- Encourage others in their commitment to comply with the Honor Code

Specific policies embodied in the Honor Code include: (1) the Academic Honesty Policy, (2) the Dress and Grooming Standards, (3) the Residential Living Standards, and (4) the Continuing Student Ecclesiastical Endorsement Requirement (refer to institutional policies for more detailed information).

Dress and Grooming Standards

The dress and grooming of both men and women should always be modest, neat, clean, and consistent with the dignity adherent to representing The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and any of its institutions of higher education.

Modesty and cleanliness are important values that reflect personal dignity and integrity, through which students, staff, and faculty represent the principles and standards of the Church. Members of the BYU-I community commit themselves to observe these standards, which reflect the direction given by the Board of Trustees and the Church publication *For the Strength of Youth*. These guiding principles apply at all CES institutions of higher education. The application of these principles may vary slightly at the various institutions in accordance with local conditions and circumstances. The Dress and Grooming Standards are as follows:

Men: A clean and well-cared-for appearance should be maintained. Hairstyles should be clean and neat, avoiding extreme styles or colors and trimmed above the collar, leaving the ears uncovered. Sideburns should not extend below the earlobe or onto the cheek. If worn, mustaches should be neatly trimmed and may not extend beyond or below the corners of the mouth. Men are expected to be clean-shaven; beards are not acceptable. Earrings and other body piercings are not acceptable. Shoes should be worn in all public campus areas.

Women: A clean, well-cared-for appearance should be maintained. Clothing is inappropriate when it is sleeveless, strapless, backless, or revealing; has slits above the knee; or is form-fitting. Dresses and skirts must be knee-length or longer. Hairstyles should be clean and neat, avoiding extreme styles and colors. Excessive ear piercing (more than one per ear) and all other body piercing are not acceptable. Shoes should be worn in all public campus areas.

Student Commitment

I have read the Church Educational System Honor Code and the Dress and Grooming Standards, and I agree to abide by the above requirements. If LDS, I also confirm that I have been and will continue to regularly attend my Church meetings. I certify all statements in this application to be complete and true and acknowledge that my admission and continuing status at any of the CES Universities or Colleges are conditional on such completeness and truthfulness.

Signature of Applicant

Date

To Be Completed by Current Ecclesiastical Leader

Applicant's Legal Name: _____ Net ID: _____
Surname/Family Name First Middle or Maiden
 Male Female Birth Date (month/day/year): _____ / _____ / _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

Instructions to the Interviewing Officer: Please review the Honor Code and Dress and Grooming Standards with the applicant. The First Presidency requests ecclesiastical leaders to not endorse students with unresolved worthiness or activity problems.

Application Deadline: All materials must be received, not postmarked, before the established deadline.

Bishop/Branch President's Interview:

Please answer the questions below as they relate to the applicant's church service and participation.

- A. Member more than three years Member fewer than three years Member of another religious denomination SEMINARY INSTITUTE
- B. Yes No Is the applicant's Church membership record in your unit? (If No, please contact the previous bishop or branch president.)
- C. Active Semi-active Inactive Please indicate the applicant's recent (6 months) Church activity.
- D. Yes No Is the applicant currently on informal or formal probation with, disfellowshipped or excommunicated from, or voluntarily disaffiliated from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints? (If yes, the applicant is likely inadmissible to a Church school.)
- E. Mark this box if you need to discuss confidential information or if you need clarification regarding policies or standards.
- F. **Strongly Endorse** **Endorse** **Endorse with Reservations** ***Do Not Endorse**
- G. Please describe your reasoning for the level of endorsement indicated above and elaborate on any unique circumstances or noteworthy leadership positions or services rendered.

I have thoroughly reviewed all of the requirements contained in the Honor Code and the Dress and Grooming Standards with the applicant and the applicant is currently abiding by these standards and has committed to continue doing so. **Please forward directly to the stake president.**

Name (please print)	Signature	Date
Church Position	Ward/Branch or Religious Denomination	LDS Unit #
Stake/Mission (if LDS)	(_____) Home Telephone	(_____) Business Telephone
Mailing Address (street, city, state, country, postal code)		

Stake/District Presidency's Interview:

- H. Mark this box if you need to discuss confidential information or if you need clarification regarding policies or standards.
- I. **Strongly Endorse** **Endorse** **Endorse with Reservations** ***Do Not Endorse**
- J. Please describe your reasoning for the level of endorsement indicated above and elaborate on any unique circumstances or noteworthy leadership positions or services rendered.

Name (please print)	Signature	Date
Church Position	LDS Unit #	
Stake/Mission (if LDS)	(_____) Home Telephone	(_____) Business Telephone

* If you marked "Do Not Endorse," please inform the applicant of the non-endorsement. Then sign this form and return it to the BYU-Idaho Admissions Office. Without your endorsement, the applicant may not be admissible.