



Welcome to Brigham Young University-Idaho! You have chosen an excellent place to pursue your education. From its pioneer beginnings as a frontier academy to the innovative four-year university we know today, this campus enjoys a legacy of change and improvement.

One of the institution's most historic transformations came during the administration of Elder David A. Bednar, who now serves as a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. During his tenure as president of this institution from July 1997 through October 2004, he oversaw the changes initiated by President Gordon B. Hinckley's announcement in 2000 that Ricks College would become a four-year university known as BYU-Idaho.

More than 50 bachelor degree programs are now offered. A three-track admission system and a student-centered Activities Program allows a greater number of students to be blessed. New facilities have been added, others have been renovated, and more construction is anticipated. All these changes support the central mission of BYU-Idaho: to help students become faithful disciples of Jesus Christ and leaders in their families, the Church, and the workplace.

The 2007-08 academic year provides a unique period of opportunity for all of us who belong to the BYU-Idaho family to carry on and build upon the foundation that has already been established. New initiatives have been identified that will allow the university to serve even more students and increase the quality of the entire student experience—with a revised and innovative academic calendar being one of the first major changes that will take place over the next few years. Truly, this is an exciting time to be part of the campus community!

I encourage you to take your studies seriously, to be active in your campus ward, and to participate in a breadth of extracurricular activities. By doing so you will come to understand the unique mission of this institution.

This catalog provides a wealth of useful information about the academic programs at BYU-Idaho, the requirements you must meet, and the many services that are offered to support your endeavors. I encourage you to make good use of it and to refer to it often—thereby preparing yourself to become an integral part of the legacy of BYU-Idaho.

Again, welcome! I extend my very best wishes to you for happiness and success in all that you do.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Kim B. Clark". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

Kim B. Clark

President