

## ICE turns BYU international students' lives upside down

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Photos provided by students



BYU hosts about 1,300 international students from 103 countries. These students may be forced to leave the U.S. when classes go online after Thanksgiving due to new guidance from the U.S. government. Scan this image with the **Universe Plus** app to read a Spanish translation of this story.

By SYDNEE GONZALEZ

Melina Galvez, a BYU international student from Guatemala, has spent the past week worrying about her future. "The life that I have in the United States could be over in a couple weeks."

It's a reality she and 1.3 million international students in the U.S. are facing after U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement announced international students will be forced to leave the U.S. or transfer to another college if their universities go remote during fall semester.

ICE usually bars international students from taking more than a single online course, but it waived that rule in March as campuses across the country closed due to the pandemic.

ICE revoked the change on July 6, announcing that students must take some courses in-person or risk legal consequences like deportation. Students not currently in the U.S. will not be allowed in the country if their universities have announced plans to go entirely online. ICE says students could transfer schools as an alternative; however, options may be limited since many schools' transfer deadlines have already passed.

Harvard and M.I.T. sued the Trump administration in federal court on July 8 over ICE's rules. Their suit seeks a temporary restraining order that would prevent the government from enforcing the rules, and 17 states and the District of Columbia sued the Trump administration over the directive on July 13. In the meantime, universities must decide by July 15 whether they will be entirely online this fall, according to Inside Higher Education.

President Donald Trump has repeatedly stressed that schools must reopen in the fall, and ICE's directives have put increased pressure on universities to fall in line.

ICE also stipulated that students must leave the country if their universities start the semester in-person but later have to transition to remote classes. It's unclear whether that would mean BYU's nearly 1,300 international students would have to leave the country when the school transitions to remote classes after Thanksgiving.

"This week has turned our world upside-down," BYU International Services Director Sam Brown said in an email to The Daily Universe, stating he did not have time to answer questions about how ICE rulings would affect BYU's international students. "We're still figuring many things out."

### Finding solutions for students

International Services sent an email on July 7 informing international students it is meeting with the university, government and legal representatives to determine a course of action. "We ask for your patience; we know that is hard given how impactful this could be to you," the letter reads.

For Galvez, the letter and an Instagram post from BYU were comforting after reading xenophobic comments online targeting international students after ICE's announcement that she said brought her to tears. "I felt like OK, people want to kick us out, but I do feel wanted." She is scared, however, that the university won't be able to do anything to help international students. "It's so hard to fight such a big institution as ICE from a university standpoint; they're just very, very powerful."

She said one of the things that has given her hope is the support she's seen from domestic students. "They're actually being our voices because we literally do not have one in this country."

Students like Taylor Munlin have taken to social media to spread awareness of the issues international students are dealing with and to come up with possible solutions.

"When I started realizing that was my friends at BYU — people I sat in class with, people who are really involved in campus things with me," Munlin said, "it really upset me."

She and other students have raised awareness about the difficulty some international students are facing, especially underclassmen who have later registration dates to add in-person classes. The most tangible product of their efforts is a Google Doc listing nearly 40 in-person and blended classes international students may be able to take as well as contact information for professors who have said they will work with international students on in-person options.

Amanda Galán Vintimilla, a Latin American studies junior from Ecuador, struggled to get into the in-person classes she needed at first. Although many of the professors she reached out to about classes were unaware of international students' current situation, she said most of them were understanding and were able to add her to their classes.

Although international students at universities offering hybrid classes can take more than three online credit hours as long as they can certify all of their courses aren't online, Galán said she has chosen in-person options wherever possible "just in case."

International Services released more guidance to international students June 10, stating internationals will only need to have one in-person class, either a "classroom" or blended" option, to maintain their visa status. IS said the amount of time students are required to meet face to face isn't stipulated in ICE's guidance, so faculty members will be allowed to make their own determinations for individual classes.

IS recommended international students who are immunocompromised still take one in-person class but reach out to their professor to "discuss ways to keep you safe and protected."

### The emotional, physical, financial toll

Ernesto Valencia, a freshman from El Salvador, has added in-person classes to his registration request, but he won't know for sure if he's in the classes until his registration date in the third week of July.

His main concern, though, is the travel logistics he would have to figure out if he has to return to El Salvador after Thanksgiving. El Salvador closed down the only international airport in the country until August 6, and Valencia said he's heard it will shut again if COVID-19 cases continue to increase.

"I will have to buy a ticket to another country and pay for a hotel to stay at and so that's a lot of money that I don't have," he said.

Deferring a semester will also bring additional costs since he'd need to repay a \$350 SEVIS fee — required of international students by ICE in addition to other visa fees — because he will have been outside the U.S. for more than five months. This would be in addition to further paperwork and possible

re-application for an I-20, a multi-use document that allows international students to enter the U.S.

"Since the ICE regulation was published, I have been feeling really overwhelmed and stressed," Valencia said. "There are so many factors I have to take into account."

Time zone differences are among the challenges facing international students. Margaux Lechner-Plazy, a finance student from Germany, is scheduled to take mostly live remote delivery classes, which means she'd need to be on Zoom at the same time as her U.S. classmates.

"With 17 credits, an internship and an eight hour time difference, I will be taking most of my classes in the middle of the night," she said.

German linguistics major Ethan Kitsell dealt with the difficulties of taking live classes with a seven-hour time difference after he returned to the U.K. in March when BYU classes went online and during spring term.

"The time when my family members get done with their workdays is exactly when I have to then switch on, so that then impedes my ability to be sociable and to spend time with family to visit friends when I can," he said.

Lechner-Plazy is also concerned about whether ICE's rules will impact her ability to graduate in April and receive an Optional Practical Training, a federal temporary employment authorization, which allows international students to stay in the U.S. an extra year after graduation to work.

"ICE's announcement was very disheartening because international students come to the U.S. because they want to be there. It never feels good to hear that the country you chose and worked so hard to legally immigrate to doesn't want you here," she said.

Elena Deighton is an advertising junior from London. ICE's position has "made me lose faith in America a little bit. International students are not pawns for you to use. We're hard-working people that deserve the same respect citizens are offered," she said. "It's exhausting to be so emotionally invested in a country that treats you like you're expendable."

She is also afraid the rules may push back graduation since most of the classes she needs for her major are remote. Adding a semester would mean she'd need to extend her visa, but she expressed

concern ICE could deny a visa extension request and render her unable to complete her degree.

### Limited resources

Christian Metzner is a former representative for International Student Services in the Student Advisory Council. He said one of the biggest issues for international students is a lack of resources if they're required to leave the country, including stable internet connections, access to virtual or in-person study groups, TA sessions and library resources.

Chemical engineering sophomore Sara Ahmad would only have electricity available for three hours a day if she has to return to Syria. "I wouldn't even be able to attend the Zoom lectures let alone do my homework and the online exams."

Metzner also described the "immense financial strain" the rule could cause for international students who will have to buy international flights, pay to store their belongings in the U.S. and deal with a housing contract they're not using as well as finding housing in their home country.

If students have an on-campus job, they'll also be left without a source of income if their supervisor is unable to approve remote work, something Kitsell said would be an "even bigger kick in the teeth."

All of these factors would be a heavy burden under normal circumstances, but international students are dealing with them on top of the stressors of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Metzner, for one, plans on staying in Germany for the Fall Semester 2020. "It feels much safer here," he said.

Kitsell is weighing whether he will also stay home in the U.K., where he said he wouldn't have to worry about health concerns as much due to his government's universal healthcare system. He said flying back to the U.S. only to have to pick up and move three months later also doesn't make too much sense.

But like many international students, he's trying to be patient until BYU can release more concrete details.

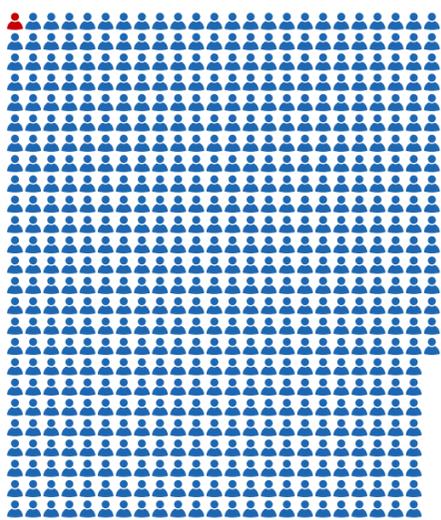
"I don't see the point in stressing too much if there's nothing I can do to control it," Kitsell said. "The best thing I can do right now for me is to just keep doing what I'm doing and plan as if I can go back in September and hope for the best."

# COVID-19 OUTBREAK

## Outbreak updates

### COVID-19 positive tests among populations

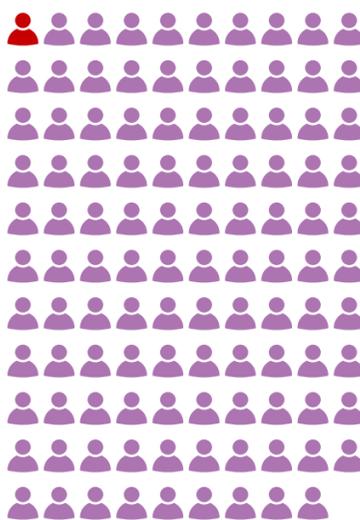
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**Utah**  
1 in 109



Ben Daniel

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Johns Hopkins University. Current as of 10:21 a.m. MDT July 13. Numbers are based on cumulative case counts.

## Outside the outbreak

From the Associated Press



### Prosecutor who cleared cops denounces violent protests

A Utah prosecutor who cleared two officers in the shooting death of an armed man denounced subsequent protests that turned violent and resulted in another officer being injured.

Protesters rallied Thursday evening following Salt Lake County District Attorney Sim Gill's announcement that police officers had acted legally in May when they fired more than 30 times at Bernardo Palacios-Carbajal. His death has become a rallying point for protesters in the state amid a wave of dissent against police brutality.



### Some employers can refuse to offer free birth control

The Supreme Court ruled broadly Wednesday, July 8, in favor of the religious rights of employers in two cases that could leave more than 70,000 women without free contraception.

In both cases, the court ruled 7-2, with two liberal justices joining conservatives in favor of the Trump administration and religious employers.

The ruling is a significant election-year win for President Donald Trump, who counts on heavy support from evangelicals and other Christian groups.

### Utah church members asked to wear masks in public

By EMILY ANDERSEN

The Utah Area Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints asked church members to wear masks whenever they are in public in a July 10 email.

"We are most grateful for all you do to minister to one another and to your neighbors. Please join with us now in common purpose for the blessing and benefit of all," the email says.

The Utah Area Presidency urged members to listen to the recommendations of medical authorities and said wearing masks in public places, both indoors and outdoors, is a sign of good citizenship.

The importance of mask-wearing was also emphasized by the First Presidency of the Church when it announced the gradual return to in-person sacrament meetings beginning in May. Mask use was listed among other safety precautions members should take when attending church.

### Disney World reopens as coronavirus cases surge in Florida

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ORLANDO, Fla. — "The Most Magical Place on Earth" has reopened after nearly four months with new rules in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom and Animal Kingdom are reopened July 11, while Epcot and Disney's Hollywood Studios will follow four days later.

"It's the chance to come back and be in the magic," said Diane

Watkins, a preschool teacher from Helena, Alabama, who visits the park about eight times a year. "Hot or not, mask or not, we're just happy to be here. I feel like everybody here is in the same frame of mind. Everybody is just so excited to be here."

Watkins said that when she and her 16-year-old daughter walked into the Magic Kingdom on Saturday morning, then saw all the cast members lined up and clapping on Main Street, she cried.

"It was very emotional," she said.

### McConnell eyes virus aid as evictions, benefits cuts loom

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WASHINGTON — An eviction moratorium is lifting. Extra unemployment benefits are ending. Parents are being called to work, but schools are struggling to reopen for fall as the COVID-19 crisis shows no signs of easing.

With Congress bracing for the next coronavirus aid package, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is outlining Republican priorities as earlier programs designed to ease

Americans through the pandemic and economic fallout begin to expire. He is eyeing \$1 trillion in new aid.

"This is not over," McConnell said during a visit to a food pantry Monday in Louisville, Kentucky.

The GOP leader's next virus aid package is centered on liability protections, a top priority for Republicans seeking to shield doctors, schools, businesses and others from coronavirus-related lawsuits brought by patrons claiming injuries during reopenings.

### 'Moving target': Schools deal with new plans, Trump demands

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TOLEDO, Ohio — With little more than a month before millions of U.S. schoolchildren go back to class, much is still up in the air — and not just because of the surging number of coronavirus cases nationwide.

President Donald Trump and his administration demanded schools fully reopen right away, calling for new guidance from federal health officials and slamming schools that want to bring

students back for only a few days a week.

At the same time, some states are just now issuing their own directives, and school district leaders say they expect those guidelines to be revised again before the classroom bells ring.

While there's no indication school administrators are changing their plans yet because of the latest word from the White House, they are working on multiple reopening scenarios. Those cover everything from where students will eat lunch to navigating online learning.



### Nearly 600,000 vote in Hong Kong pro-democracy primaries

Hundreds of thousands of Hong Kong residents turned up over the weekend to vote in an unofficial primary election held by the city's pro-democracy camp as it gears up to field candidates for an upcoming legislative poll.

The primaries were held two weeks after Beijing imposed a national security law on the semi-autonomous territory in a move widely seen as chipping away at the "one country, two systems" framework under which Britain handed Hong Kong over to China in 1997.

### Utah hospitals call for statewide mask mandate as beds fill

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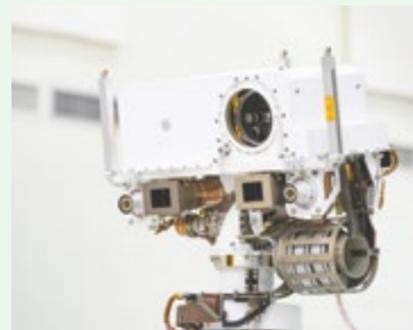
SALT LAKE CITY — Utah healthcare company executives called on state leaders Friday, July 10 to require masks as intensive care unit bed space dwindles amid a sustained surge in coronavirus cases.

The newest plea came one day after Republican Gov. Gary Herbert said he will require masks in schools as they reopen in the fall, but stopped short of a statewide mandate. He said Friday, July 10, as Utah recorded another one-day record of confirmed cases that he'll consider a mandate if his repeated pleas for the voluntary use of masks do not quickly slow the case count.

"The really simple part of the equation has always been wearing a mask," said Dr. Thomas Miller, chief medical officer at University of Utah Health.

Hospital leaders from three companies warned that their beds are filling up and they are fearing an onslaught that will soon overwhelm facilities.

About 67% of the state's intensive care unit beds were occupied as of July 10.



### Look out Mars: Here we come with a fleet of spacecraft

Three countries — the United States, China and the United Arab Emirates — are sending unmanned spacecraft to the red planet in quick succession beginning this week, in the most sweeping effort yet to seek signs of ancient microscopic life.

The U.S., for its part, is dispatching a six-wheeled rover the size of a car, named Perseverance, to collect rock samples that will be brought back to Earth for analysis in about a decade.

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# COVID-19 brings new focus to childcare at BYU



By REBECCA NISSEN

Victoria Rosa, a 2019 BYU graduate who studied elementary education, found caring for her daughter difficult while in school. With a husband who worked full-time and took classes in Salt Lake, Rosa and their daughter often didn't get to see him during the day.

"He wouldn't get home until like 8 or 9 every night, because he was working so hard," Rosa said.

She and her husband, Mateos, are two of many students and former students who have juggled taking care of children and taking classes at BYU — a university that lacks childcare.

"I just find it crazy that BYU doesn't have anything when, as members of The Church of Jesus Christ, they encouraged us to have families and also to continue our education and study," Rosa said. "But I feel like we have no support in it."

Unlike BYU, UVU offers childcare for students. Through their Wee Care program, the university offers care for children from 6 weeks to 12 years. It is important to note that because of COVID-19 these services are temporarily closed.

## A balancing act

Childcare programs make it possible for students like Rosa to attend class without the distraction of a child in the classroom. With her husband who will soon be attending UVU, Rosa is looking forward to the university's childcare services there.

She said that while at BYU, most teachers were OK with her bringing her baby. However, there was one teacher who was particularly strict.

"It was actually really sad. I never missed class," Rosa said.



BYU graduates Justin and Janae Ricks hold their daughter, Blakely, while standing in front of the Maeser Building at BYU. Scan the photo with the **Universe Plus** app to read a Spanish translation of this story.

Janae Ricks



"There was the one day that the babysitter was sick and she couldn't watch her, and I wasn't able to go to class that day, because I couldn't bring her just that one time. So that was hard for me."

Though Rosa said there were teachers in her elementary education major who were against having children in the classroom, many of her peers had different opinions.

"As future teachers they all love kids and none of them care if we have our little kids in the room. Because that's kind of what it's like in an elementary school classroom anyway," Rosa said.

Janae Ricks, a fellow 2019 graduate who also studied elementary education, said there were times when she brought her daughter to class. However, she also expressed understanding as to why teachers discourage students from bringing

children into the classroom.

Ricks and her husband were able to rearrange their schedules so they could take turns caring for their daughter. Ricks said her husband's flexible class schedule was a huge benefit to them.

"Seeing some of my friends who had babies, too — and they have different situations — it's just so hard for them," Ricks said.

## Finding the resources

During Winter Semester 2020 and before COVID-19, Ricks' friend Rosa looked for ways to address the need for childcare on campus. As co-president of BYU Student Moms, she and others created a spreadsheet to help mothers coordinate watching each others' children. Ultimately, it didn't work out.

"Everyone had classes at the same time, so it kind of made it impossible," Rosa said.

Members of the BYU Student

Moms club aren't the only ones seeking to help students find childcare. A survey about the need for assistance with childcare was underway on campus before COVID-19 sent students, faculty and staff home to work and learn.

The Faculty Advisory Council has an interest in the issue. Professors Eva Witesman and Eric Huntsman, FAC co-chairs, shared the concern they have for BYU students.

"While the Faculty Advisory Council submits proposals about faculty interests, because of our real concern for our students, the issues we raise most often have to do with our students and their well-being."

However, because the council oversees faculty more than students, it came up with a plan to work with those who directly represent the student body.

"The way we divided up the labor was that the Student

Advisory Council would gather data on student need and student interests," Witesman and Huntsman said in an email they sent to The Daily Universe. "And the Faculty Advisory Council would focus on faculty (and staff) need."

The council recently distributed a survey on faculty childcare needs. The council is currently analyzing the data and will use the results to submit a proposal to the administration. Because of COVID-19, the proposal submission and publication of the data will be postponed.

"If we went forward with our old timeline, we felt like that would have disadvantaged our proposals," Witesman and Huntsman's email said. "According to council procedures, once we submit a proposal to the administration, they have a limited time within which they have to respond."

They agreed that bringing childcare to campus has its difficulties and those difficulties are not new. Two of those challenges are expenses and the liabilities that come with offering such a service.

"Those are understandable challenges for a university, and we appreciate that the administration is open to exploring this issue with us," the professors said.

BYU Budget Office Director Paul Behrmann said availability of space needs to be considered, along with ongoing funding.

"Since these services would require ongoing funding, the Budget Office would not have many alternatives to recommend," Behrmann said. "Likely, we would recommend that this would be a request for additional resources from our sponsoring organization. This would mean that this request would need to be considered by the Church and weighed against all other funding needs."

With COVID-19 forcing many professors and administrators to work at home, those who have young children are experiencing what it's like to work while simultaneously taking care of

their families, some for the first time.

Witesman said as a working mother and someone who was once a student parent, she relates to what young college students experience. She emphasized that her comments are personal in nature and don't represent an opinion by the council.

"I have vivid memories of sitting outside the classroom door nursing my daughter so I wouldn't miss what was happening in class, but not feeling comfortable enough to bring her inside the classroom," Witesman said.

"For the past 17 years, I have typed at least part of every major paper with one hand because I was holding a child with the other arm. So I understand deeply what it is like to try to harmonize home life and academic life in a way that is pleasing to God and accounts for all the various demands and priorities that come with the ebb and flow of a semester."

Witesman said that, although she understands what student parents are going through, others less familiar with these circumstances may experience an increased understanding after dealing with the temporary life changes imposed by COVID-19.

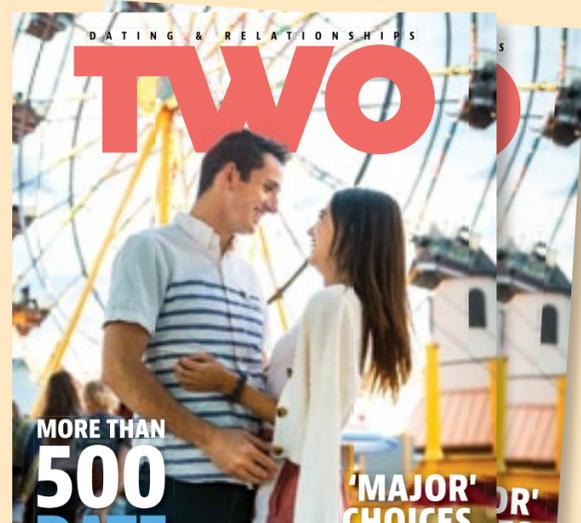
"I think this experience has been a good reminder of what it's like for members of our campus community who are actively trying to integrate their parenting identities with their work and school identities," Witesman said. "It has given me a deep sense of connection with all of my students, including student parents, because we are all facing a challenge that is bigger than ourselves."

Representatives at the BYU Child and Family Studies Laboratory, which offers a laboratory preschool and kindergarten open to application for dependent children of full-time faculty, administrators, and staff; full-time students; and then community applicants, declined to comment on childcare availability on campus.

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# BYU approves limited Fall internships

By SYDNEE GONZALEZ

BYU announced it will approve all domestic internships for Fall Semester 2020 as long as the student and internship provider sign a COVID-19 risk waiver.

The move is a shift from the university's halt on all internships that weren't remote, on-campus or needed to maintain a visa status or an employment offer.

Although the changes open up opportunities for fall, they came too late for some students and other students may still struggle to find an internship due to COVID-19's adverse impact on the economy.

## Dealing with upended plans

BYU student Lexi Carley had just completed the interview process for several internship positions across the country — including one with her dream company in New York City — in March. All of her internship possibilities were canceled when BYU shut down a majority of internships.

"Months of applying and interviewing and getting my hopes up were wasted," she said. "Anytime it came up in conversation, I cried. It was hard to accept that something I had worked so hard for, for so long, could be derailed by a pandemic."

Carley, an advertising senior from Colorado, is required to complete an internship per her program's graduation requirements. Although an internship she had winter semester wouldn't have counted towards graduation under normal circumstances, her program allowed her to receive credit for it. While this is a relief as far as credits, Carley says the loss of a summer internship may still impact her future.

"I imagine that I will need experience in a big city or big advertising firm before I am hired and I might have to do another internship next summer instead of getting a job," Carley said.

She isn't the only senior whose internship plans have been disrupted. Other BYU seniors have either had to move to remote internships or cancel their plans altogether for the summer.

Brad Harris, the experience design and management internship coordinator, said there were about 40 students in the major who had internships lined up when in-person internships were canceled. Although 30 were still able to find other internships or



Hannah Miner

Students walk by the Harold B. Lee Library on August 30, 2019. Nearly a year later, the university has been forced to undergo changes due to COVID-19, including the types of internships that are approved. Scan the image with the *Universe Plus* app to read a Spanish translation of this story.

make remote arrangements, the rest will need to find another opportunity in the future.

Students who plan on graduating and are doing remote internships because of COVID-19 will fulfill graduation requirements. While Harris said they will still be well prepared, he believes they are missing out on rich, hands-on experiences.

"Let's say that a resort in South Carolina had hired you to come and work there for the summer and then you find out you can't go and you're now doing marketing or Facebook stuff at the same resort. That's not even close," Harris said. "I don't see a lot of positives other than students had to learn to overcome a difficulty that will help them in the future, and they had to learn to deal with setbacks."

Karen Christensen, the Social Services and Community internships coordinator, expressed a similar sentiment about students preparing to go into social work.

"If you're going to work in a social work field, you need to know that it's a good fit for you, and trying it out is the best way," Christensen said, adding she was excited about BYU's announcement about fall in-person internships. "They provide much stronger experience for students wanting opportunities for real-world, professional settings where they can have in-person mentoring, work alongside a team, and have meaningful responsibilities."

## Making adaptations

Other BYU schools and departments also had to adapt to the

pandemic's effect on internships and are continuing to do so despite BYU's announcement about fall internships.

"I think overall it's been nice to just see that we can come together to find answers in a difficult time and still help students to push their careers forward," School of Communications Director Ed Carter said.

The school requires internships for most of its programs, forcing it to consider alternative options to traditional in-person internships when the pandemic hit, including waiving the requirement for a few students, requiring fewer hours for internship credit and providing internships in the school's student labs.

Carter said some of those options may be open to students in the future if necessary, but the school is looking at things on a case-by-case basis.

"I hope the message students are getting is, 'Hey, we'll work with you,'" Carter said. "We try to balance the upholding of our outcomes with kind of a merciful approach to realizing that things are pretty extraordinarily challenging right now."

Public health students are also required to do an internship prior to graduation, and internship coordinator Stephanie Lutz said not a single student was held back from graduation due to the programs quick action to look for alternatives to in-person internships, although it was clear from the beginning the internship requirement would not be waived.

Lutz said alternatives included remote internships, mentored

research, directed readings, and an "alternative assignment" that included modules, training and skill-based information about COVID-19 from a variety of agencies. Despite not being what they had planned for, Lutz said public health students are getting to practice the skills they've learned in real-time.

"We would consider this like a public health dream and a nightmare all mixed into one," Lutz said. "(Students) are doing excellent things in the community."

While law students are required to fulfill an internship requirement by either completing a qualifying externship or a professional skills course, Law School Dean Lynnett Rands said none of the students close to graduation were in danger of not fulfilling the requirement due to the pandemic.

"Most law students max out on the permitted number of externship hours that can count toward graduation," Rands said. "I think the real story for us is how the law school community came together to support all of our students that had their international and other experiential learning plans dashed because of the pandemic."

She said many law professors took on multiple research assistants during the summer and helped find replacement opportunities for students who had lost internships. She added that a large majority of law offices still offered summer internship programs.

## Programs with less flexibility

Other programs aren't able to be as flexible. Students going

into teaching, for example, must complete student teaching to meet state licensing requirements. Students doing student teaching in the fall will follow the rules the schools they teach in will be observing.

"If a student is uncomfortable teaching in the manner that is established by the guidelines and their mentor teacher, they will have the option to delay student teaching until the threat of the virus has been minimized," BYU education advisement supervisor Brandan Beerli said.

"There isn't any other option to complete a mentored student teaching experience within our

partnership otherwise."

Likewise, nursing graduate students are required to complete 500 hours in a clinical setting to qualify to take the credentialing exam to become a family nurse practitioner. Because of this, the College of Nursing has not been able to decrease the number of hours graduate students are required to complete, according to Dean Jane Lassetter. However, she said students working towards August graduation were all able to be placed in clinical settings and she anticipates they will all be ready to graduate in August.

"For a while, we thought most of them would graduate in December, but our faculty have worked really hard to find good clinical placements so that they can finish by August graduation," she said.

Although the state board of nursing doesn't set a number of required hours in a clinical setting for undergraduates, Lassetter said the students need many clinical experiences to graduate from the program. "I don't know how you could be a nurse without the clinical experience as a student," she said.

Because of this need for clinical experience, the college is working to ensure students will be safe when working in clinical settings, including ordering N-95 masks for them.

"There are ways that you can go in and out of a clinical setting and make sure that when you get home, you're going to minimize the risk of any spreading of the disease," Lassetter said.

## Police Beat

### BYU

#### VANDALISM

**July 2** - Someone spray painted on a sign near the guest house. There were no words spelled out by the spray paint.

**July 2** - A car was egged at the Marriott Center parking Lot.

### Provo

#### ROBBERY

**July 4** - An individual was robbed at knife point on University Avenue.

**June 29** - A bicycle was stolen from a home on 200 South.

### THEFT

**July 5** - A bicycle was stolen from the Provo Travelers Inn.

### ARRESTS

**July 9** - John Earle Sullivan, a 25-year-old Sandy native, was arrested under the suspicion of third-degree felony rioting, class-A misdemeanor criminal mischief and class-B misdemeanor threat of violence during a protest in Provo on June 29.

**July 9** - Provo resident Francesca Delfina Farias-Swenson, 21, was arrested under the suspicion of third-degree felony abuse or desecration of a dead human body, along with two other felonies.



Abigail Keenan

This February 2019 photo shows a classroom at SkyRidge in Lehi. For Provo City School District, this upcoming school year will include two different learning options. Scan this image with the *Universe Plus* app to read a Spanish translation of this story.

## Provo schools' plan includes in-person, digital teaching

By EMMA BENSON

The Provo City School District announced its plan for the upcoming school year, which includes both a in-person and remote option.

The school district sent a survey to parents asking which teaching method would be preferred. The majority of respondents wanted the students to return to school. Therefore, the school district will hold face-to-face instruction at the schools, while also providing a digital learning option.

## At-school learning

According to the announcement, parents will perform

daily wellness checks of each student before they attend school, and social distancing "will be implemented where possible" as well as sanitizing procedures. Additionally, students on the bus will be required to wear masks and sit in assigned seating.

## Digital learning

Students who choose the digital learning option will be assigned a Provo Digital Learning teacher. The instruction will focus on "reading, writing, mathematics, and science; with supplemental support in other curricular areas."

The school district said it will release additional information later.

## BYU advertising student promotes racial equality in Utah



Addie Blacker

Advertising student Kofi Aidoo leads a chant at a march against racism on June 13 outside the Historic Utah County Courthouse. Scan the image with the *Universe Plus* app to read a Spanish translation of this story.

By EMILY ANDERSEN

Kofi Aidoo started college as a food science major with big plans of becoming a dentist and high expectations about BYU.

Now he's a senior and an advertising major — and his plans and expectations have changed.

Aidoo was born in Modesto, California, where his parents, who were originally from Ghana, converted to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints when Aidoo was 2 years old.

Aidoo said the Latter-day Saint community where he lived had him convinced that BYU was the perfect school.

"It's what we all aspire to. You're bound to be successful

if you go to BYU, you know?" Aidoo said.

He said his time at school has been very different than what he originally imagined. He said he appreciates BYU and loves his program but has noticed a huge difference between his experience as a student of color and the experiences of many of his peers.

This difference has led Aidoo to become an active advocate for anti-racism in Provo. Though he isn't associated with the official Black Lives Matter organization, he said that he tries to be a part of the movement.

Aidoo helped organize a march against racism that took place on June 13 in Provo, and he's been vocal on social media about recent events and protests related to racial injustice.

Aidoo has been trying to promote change for people of color

since before protesting broke out over George Floyd's and others' deaths. Earlier this year he worked on a project called Project Blindspot with some of his friends in the advertising program. The friends created a website showing the main issues that Black students face on campus and encouraging everyone to be more aware of their biases.

Aidoo said he sees Project Blindspot as his passion project, and he's grateful the advertising program provided him with the skills and resources necessary to work on it.

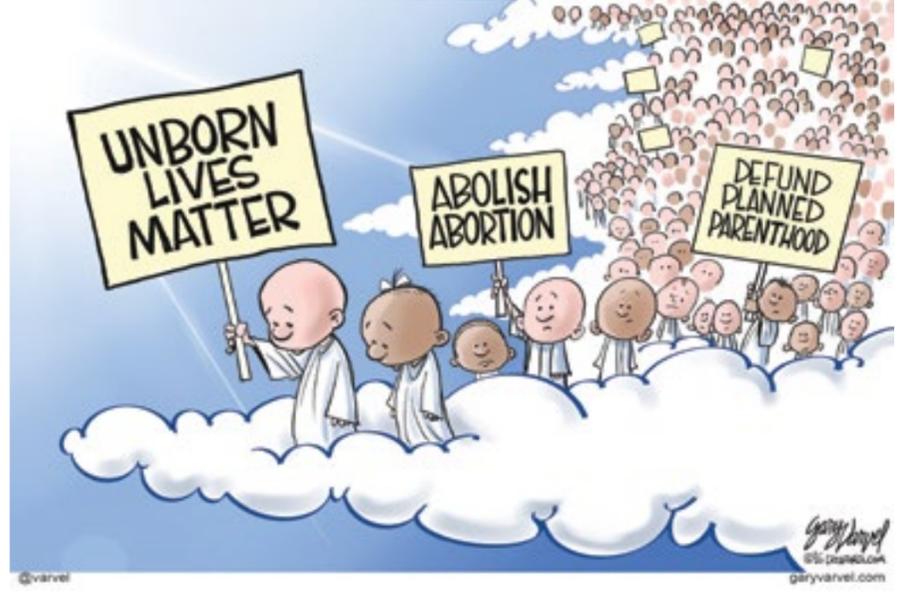
"My goal is to make everywhere I go better than I found it in every way I can. So, if I could help the next Kofi that comes along be a little bit more comfortable, I don't know, that'd feel pretty good," Aidoo said.

Aidoo said he would advise

any minority students are thinking about attending BYU to make sure they're prepared for the reality that being a minority in a predominately white institution can sometimes be uncomfortable.

"Everyone has different experiences and hardships, but specifically with skin color, it's going to affect a lot of the way you see yourself and the way other people see you."

He also said he hopes to see some changes on campus coming from the new committee that the university has put together to examine racial issues. Specifically, Aidoo said he wants BYU to add a clause on racism to the Honor Code so people of color can feel safer knowing that racist remarks and actions can be reported and punished.



## Tweet Beat

#BYU #BYUprobs

Want to see your tweet in print? Tweet something about life around you with #BYUprobs or #BYU and hopefully it makes the cut.

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**@drewstergooster**

if you grew up reading the LDS standard works you should be allowed to put commas or semicolons wherever you'd like; this is, my culture

**@emma\_kcr**

One time at BYU a classmate pulled out a whole jar of pears & ate them & also drank the juice. For some reason I thought they were potatoes & spent the rest of the year obsessed with the girl who drank potato water.

**@camillewhts**

No matter what is happening in the world... I never have to worry about being asked to a high school dance ever again... and I think that's beautiful

**@Kullervo\_1979**

My new house has a foyer and I pronounce

it "foy-yerr" because I'm Mormon and that's my culture.

**@emily\_mallory**

i've officially tried swig and sodalicious and can safely say all soda places are overrated but will i still go?? yes.

**@calvinjburke**

Just found out that back in the day, @BYU charged \$7 a term for tuition & let students pay in "gallon jugs of black-strap molasses" & honestly I think that could be a beautiful tradition for us. Great idea. Love this energy

**@bpilk10**

Well looks like BYU won this year. Too bad that Utah had to forfeit

**@Hadlie10**

Anyway, I just can't get over the fact that for my birthday this year my ward in Provo wrote my middle name down on the card instead of my first name, so everyone wrote "Happy birthday Kristine! You're such a great girl" & had absolutely no idea who they were writing to

**@5ki**

Just realized if you gave away a free hot dog and drink for every person wearing a mask, you could get near 100% compliance in Utah

Tweets are unedited.

## READERS' FORUM

### On-campus childcare during COVID-19

As an employee at BYU and mother of two young children, I have been so grateful for how BYU and the leadership in Continuing Education (where I work) have handled remote work. Though our daycare stayed open the whole time, we decided to keep our children home for 11 weeks to avoid passing any germs to my husband's patients in the nursing home. It was very hard to get all of my work done with my kids around, but the grace I was extended by my boss, director and dean made a huge difference.

Childcare during COVID-19 is a huge problem. The industry faces a very real threat of collapse as many families understandably keep their children home.

According to the Department of Labor, because of low enrollment, over 330,000 childcare workers have lost their jobs and providers are permanently shutting down, causing those who still utilize childcare to lose their providers.

With the limited availability of childcare

options, many parents are quitting jobs because they can't work with their children there. As I personally look to the start of the school year, I worry about whether or not my oldest will actually attend kindergarten. I don't know if our daycare will have the space to keep her for a full day when they only plan on kindergarteners being there half days.

While BYU has made some movement in considering on-campus childcare, the current situation demonstrates the necessity for on-campus childcare as soon as safely possible. Utah already had a childcare crisis before COVID-19 hit, and it has only been exacerbated.

While the reasons for having childcare on campus haven't changed, the urgency of it has increased. I hope BYU will keep in mind the childcare needs of employees and students and join with the other eight colleges in Utah that provide childcare services for their campus community.

—Katie Zobell

BYU Academic and Admissions Advisor

## WEEKLY QUESTION

Daily Universe editors post a question on Instagram each week asking readers their view on a specific topic. Here's what they had to say.

### In reference to the Confederate flag and Brigham Young statue incidents on campus, what are your thoughts on the historical roles and context of statues and flags?

I do not believe in confederate memorials/ flags/statues because they mostly represent slavery.

@SARAH\_POLHILL

I think statues and monuments represent our collective memory, positive or negative.

@KAMERONABILLA

Statues are erected to honor the good someone did. Remove them, you erase history.

@GNAT\_ALIE

TEAR THEM DOWN. It's a great first step to condemning and combating racism at BYU.

@TERENCEWRIDE

We need to make space for honoring black historical figures in the church. I don't think they have to be mutually exclusive. Keep Brigham Young and add POC to honor.

@ABZ\_CLARK

What we value is immortalized in what we build: if we erase/ignore flaws when glorifying individuals, we perpetuate an idyllic version of history where inequality and wrongdoing is erase. We cannot excuse the wrongs the past,

especially in historical figures if we ever hope to create a more loving, inclusive and honest society.

@CATHERINELEONE

I think they represent the life of the person, whether that is good or bad, depending on your view.

@GUITARHEROSIE

They glorify the person. And people who have done harmful things shouldn't be glorified.

@MAIKKINOELLE

A statue can represent anything the viewer wants it to. That is the beauty of art. However, statues are made with purpose; if that initial purpose is honorable, why tear it down?

@BEARBEARERIN

Just like any art form, the intent of the artist doesn't matter. It's the public interpretation. #BLM

@IAMASPENTREE

The biggest influence they had wasn't negative. If we think this way, we cannot honor anyone...

@CAMMYGIRL159

"Why does my back hurt?"



Me: I don't understand why I don't have any friends.

Also me when I see someone I recognize in public:



Me thinking how tired I'm going to be tomorrow morning



When you rock back in your chair farther than expected and your life flashes before your eyes



When you're sleeping and your alarm didn't ring yet but the amount of sleep you're getting is suspicious



Me calculating exactly how late I can stay in bed before I gotta get up



Today's kids will never know the choices you had to make



When you say the wrong answer out loud in class with complete confidence



This. This is what friends are for.



## OPINION OUTPOST

### Make masks mandatory in Utah

Gov. Gary Herbert says wear a mask. But he says the choice is up to you.

Health care leaders on Friday said the state is seeing the start of an even larger spike, with an all-time high of 867 new cases reported that day.

We understand the natural aversion many Utahns have to mandates. This state was settled by pioneers who cherished self-reliance and liberty. But history will not be kind to a generation that was reluctant to do what was necessary to avoid a public health catastrophe because of worries about how a few people might react.

—Editorial Board  
Deseret News

### Loan forgiveness scheme

Forgiving most of the \$1.5 trillion in federal student loans is already mainstream Democratic Party policy. And now progressives are seeking to cancel bank loans sold to third parties such as debt collectors. Look out below. Defaults are expected to climb amid the pandemic, which could rattle credit markets and cause banks to restrict lending.

Elizabeth Warren and five other Democratic Senators say "the valid when made doctrine is a legal fiction" and the new banking regulations will enable "predatory lending principles." These are the folks who could soon be running our economy.

—Editorial Board  
The Wall Street Journal

### Global warming

Global warming has not taken a break since the covid-19 outbreak struck. The Democrats, at least, are treating it like the emergency it remains. House Democrats released late last month a massive climate plan, a package of bills that Speaker Nancy Pelosi (Calif.) has vowed

—Editorial Board  
The Washington Post

to advance through her chamber. To be clear, Democrats deserve credit for listening to scientists on the level of ambition needed, and they have not surrendered to the left flank of the debate, refusing, for example, to strike nuclear power from the conversation.

### Reopen schools

American children need public schools to reopen in the fall. Reading, writing and arithmetic are not even the half of it. Parents need public schools, too. They need help raising their children, and they need to work.

—Editorial Board  
The New York Times

### Rechristening Confederate bases

The Confederate base names are a legacy of a shameful compromise with white supremacy that is thoroughly documented in the historical record.

Replacing the names of traitors who waged war on the nation in an attempt to keep African-Americans in chains will not make racism magically disappear. But it is clearly an important step in the right direction.

—Editorial Board  
The New York Times

## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

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- Letters should also include the author's name, hometown (for students), campus position (for faculty and staff) and phone number. Anonymous letters will

- not be published.
  - Letters should be no more than 250 words and may be edited for length, clarity or style.
  - Guest editorials should be 500 to 700 words and are encouraged from individuals with professional or academic expertise on the topic.
  - Original cartoons are also welcome.
- Opinion editor Spencer McWilliams can be reached at universe.ideas@gmail.com.

# BYU baseball players in new summer league

By JOSH CARTER

BYU freshman infielder Peyton Cole was looking forward to competing in his first collegiate-level summer baseball league at the conclusion of his first season with the Cougars. The Las Vegas native was lined up to spend his summer in Washington playing for the Walla Walla Sweets of the West Coast League beginning in June.

The COVID-19 pandemic, however, not only cut Cole's inaugural season with BYU short after just 16 games but also forced the Sweets to shut down its summer season as well.

Cole decided to return home to Las Vegas, where he did what he could to stay active and in playing shape, often throwing with his older brother and current Los Angeles Angels pitcher, Taylor Cole. Although Cole enjoyed his time back at home, he seized the opportunity to play competitive baseball again in a new Utah College League when the chance presented itself.

"It's been super nice being able to get out and play again," Cole said. "Throughout the whole quarantine I've just been hoping things will work out to where I can play. Once we finally started playing, at first it honestly didn't even seem real."

Cole is one of 150 local baseball players participating in the new Utah College League, which began on July 1 and runs through mid-August. Salt Lake Community College is hosting the six-team league, with the majority of players coming from BYU, Utah Valley, the University of Utah, Dixie State and SLCC.

Like Cole, most of the players had plans to compete in other summer leagues throughout the country prior to the pandemic. Once these leagues started to shut their seasons down, local college coaches got together and began to discuss possible alternatives, eventually coming up with the Utah College League.

Six temporary coaches with ties to the state were selected to manage each of the league's six teams. Former Pleasant Grove High School standout Peyton Henry, now in the Milwaukee Brewers organization, is coaching "Team Henry,"



BYU Photo

BYU pitcher Drew Zimmerman throws a pitch during a game against Nebraska Omaha on March 8, 2018. Zimmerman is one of several Cougars competing in the new Utah College League hosted by Salt Lake Community College.

which includes Cole and his fellow Cougars Brock Watkins, Hunter Swapp, Carter Smith and Bryce Robison. Former BYU star Jackson Cluff, selected by the Washington Nationals in last year's MLB Draft, coaches "Team Cluff," which includes Cougars Mitch McIntyre, Hayden Leathman, Reid McLaughlin, Easton Walker and Drew Zimmerman.

"It's been awesome being around Jackson again and watching him coach," Cluff's former BYU teammate and soon-to-be senior pitcher Zimmerman said. "He knows baseball. He knows what he's doing so he's definitely the right guy for the job."

Like other sports leagues that have slowly returned to play amid the pandemic, the Utah College League is taking a number of precautions to ensure the players' and coaches' health and safety. Players are required to wear masks while in the dugout areas that are regularly cleaned and sterilized. Fans are also limited to watching from the outfield of SLCC's Gate Field as long as they maintain social distancing.

Although such precautions may be a strange adjustment, players are willing to do whatever they have to in order to return to the field.

"It's different," Zimmerman said

about the precautions. "But we're still playing baseball, which is more than what we've been able to do over the last few months and is what all of us want to be doing. At the end of the day, we get to play some baseball."

Cole acknowledged the new league has not only allowed players to return to the sport they love but that it's also allowed him and his BYU teammates to strengthen their chemistry, something that might not have been possible had the pandemic not forced other summer leagues across the country to shut down.

"I feel like we're all getting closer playing in this league than we were

before," Cole said. "Just being able to play together again is huge. Even when we're playing against each other we're always around each other which has been a lot of fun."

Zimmerman, who wasn't originally planning on competing in any summer leagues prior to the pandemic, agreed with Cole.

"It's been awesome," Zimmerman said. "I haven't been doing much besides working since the season first got shut down, so it's been super fun having something like this to look forward to and getting back out on the field with the guys."

## Return of BYU Football uncertain

*Five games already canceled including Utah*

By JOSH CARTER

Recent developments within the college sports world have left BYU fans increasingly uncertain about the upcoming 2020 football season.

On July 8, the Ivy League announced it would be placing all sports on hold until at least January because of the COVID-19 pandemic. That same day, Stanford announced it was eliminating 11 of its athletic programs due to financial complications worsened by the pandemic. Ohio State and North Carolina then had to shut down their voluntary football workouts on July 8 due to COVID-19 outbreaks on campus.

Additionally, on July 9 the Big Ten conference announced it would be moving to a conference-only season for all fall sports, leaving BYU Football with at least two holes in its upcoming schedule. The Cougars were slated to host Michigan State on Sept. 12 and play at Minnesota on Sept. 26.

"The Big Ten's announcement today obviously has specific ramifications regarding the 2020 BYU football schedule," a BYU Athletics press release reads. "As we navigate the uncertainties of the current pandemic, BYU will continue to have discussions with other universities and stakeholders to make the best possible decisions for our student-athletes and our athletic program."

The Pac-12 announced on Friday, July 10, that it will also have a conference-only schedule this season. This means the Cougars will lose another three games from their schedule: Utah on Sept. 3, Arizona State on Sept. 19 and Stanford on Nov. 28.

"I don't think it is crazy to say this:



Addie Blacker

BYU Football has played its home games at LaVell Edwards Stadium every fall since the venue was built in 1964. Recent developments in the sports world have left fans wondering whether a return to the stadium is possible in 2020.

We are probably not going to play any sports in the fall," BYU Sports Nation host Jarom Jordan said on the show's July 9 airing.

An online poll was later conducted by BYU Sports Nation, asking whether fans felt there would be college football this fall. Just 37% of those who responded voted yes, while 64% voted no.

While much remains up in the air, the current outlook does not appear to be heading in the Cougars' favor.

A number of contingency plan possibilities remain, however, for BYU Football to salvage at least some of the upcoming season if more conferences are to join the Big Ten in playing conference-only schedules. The Cougars could attempt to fill their scheduling gaps caused by the Big Ten's announcement with other teams that were similarly affected. Several Power Five teams are now left with holes in their schedules on the same dates BYU was slated to face its Big

Ten opponents.

Some have also suggested the Cougars look to join a conference for the season, which, depending on the conference, might not be the most popular move among fans. Joining a conference could also potentially complicate BYU's upcoming TV deal with ESPN.

"BYU gonna have to hope they can partner up with the mountain west for football season," @Tjonesonthenba said on Twitter.

Another possibility for the Cougars if all conferences were to move to conference-only schedules would be to play against their six fellow independent teams this season. Dennis Dodd of cbssports.com first reported in April that independents were already speaking to each other informally about the possibility.

"Playing conference-only schedules has been an option on the table, though it was primarily under the consideration if the start of the season needed to be delayed," Dodd wrote.

## Tom Holmoe speaks on lost spring season

By JOSH CARTER

BYU Athletic Director Tom Holmoe reached out to Cougar fans in an online letter and thanked them for their support during a promising 2019-20 season cut short by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"This certainly was a season to remember and not just for our student-athletes and coaches," Holmoe said. "Our beloved fans who make up the ever-growing and powerful Cougar Nation supported BYU Athletics in innumerable ways."

The letter, which was included as part of BYU Athletics' Annual Report, tells fans the Cougars had "one of the best overall years in BYU Athletics history" before the pandemic forced all winter and spring sports to end their seasons prematurely.

Holmoe stated the Cougars were on track to finish in the top 10 in the Learfield IMG College Directors' Cup final standings, something the school had never accomplished previously. BYU finished fifth in the cup's final fall standings with several winter and spring teams primed to make deep WCC and NCAA tournament runs.

The men's basketball team, which finished the 2019-20 campaign with a 24-8 record under first-year head coach Mark Pope, was optimistic of receiving a single-digit seed in the Big Dance and making it past the opening round for the first time since 2011. The men's volleyball team was favored to win a national championship, finishing the season ranked No. 1 in the country.

The indoor and outdoor track and field teams were expected to make noise in their respective NCAA tournaments while the baseball, softball, gymnastics, golf and tennis teams all had WCC Championship aspirations.



Maddi Driggs

BYU Athletic Director Tom Holmoe.

Holmoe, however, warned against wondering what could have been and urged fans to remember the highs from the 2019-20 season, such as the national championship won by the men's cross country team.

"I prefer not to look at this year and what it could have been; rather, I prefer to remember this unusual year as one in which most of our teams were competing with the best of the best programs in the country," Holmoe said. "The highlight of the year was the National Championship won by our Men's Cross Country team, the 11th national title in BYU sports history."

Holmoe concluded the letter by once again thanking fans for their physical and financial support of BYU's athletic programs.

"I would hug y'all if I could (social distancing)," Holmoe wrote. "But in the meantime, please feel my deepest and most sincere thanks for all you do for BYU Athletics. We are not done. We will fight back from this forced 'timeout' and return loyal, strong and true to our dear fans."



# Students unsure about remote classes after Thanksgiving

By KENZIE HOLBROOK

BYU students' reactions to the announcement that all classes will go remote after Thanksgiving break have been mixed.

BYU junior Luke Roberts, from Salt Lake, was initially disappointed when he heard things would be remote after Thanksgiving, preventing a normal semester. "My disappointment turned to gratitude when I realized that it was probably a compromise that allowed us to attend school until that point."

Roberts says overall he's confident the decision is wise and will prevent more people from getting the COVID-19 virus. He plans on traveling back and forth between his family's home in Salt Lake and his apartment in Provo. "It's great to be with my family and everything, but I've got things set up at my apartment and I have work and my routine down here in Provo," he said.

Public health major Rebecca Cromar thinks going remote after Thanksgiving is a great idea considering circumstances, but she also sees some flaws. "Since many students are coming from a variety of locations for the fall semester in August, won't that end up doing exactly what we are trying to prevent in November?"

BYU junior Braeden Neale says he recognizes that the school is very concerned about an outbreak after Thanksgiving but that BYU should be concerned about students coming home from their parents' houses at the beginning of fall semester.

"It is smart to not have people travel for Thanksgiving and then come back, but that benefit is nullified by the fact that everyone is coming back from being away in hotspots like California, Arizona and Texas." He said if BYU is concerned about an outbreak, it should just be remote for the whole semester.



Photo illustration by Addie Blacker

BYU students will be expected to continue classes remotely after Thanksgiving, drawing mixed responses with students voicing concerns about a new spike in COVID-19 cases and difficulties with online learning.

Even though Neale believes BYU should have just stayed remote for the entirety of the semester, he's glad classes will be remote post-Thanksgiving. "My mum is high-risk, so I wouldn't have been able to go home without quarantining first — with classes remote, I can do that."

Michael Rubin, professor of internal medicine in the epidemiology division at the University of Utah, said going remote after Thanksgiving break could potentially make a difference in preventing the spread of COVID-19

as well as influenza after traveling, but it depends heavily on what happens prior to the break.

Rubin said the pandemic in Utah is worsening with hospitalizations and deaths on the rise. He said there's little reason to expect these numbers improve by the time school starts in the fall. "It could very well be that the decision to go completely remote might occur well before Thanksgiving," Rubin said.

BYU student Sage Sandstrom said BYU's plan to switch to remote classes after Thanksgiving is a good idea because it

limits travel back and forth, but she's not sure it's the best option for students. "That's going to be finals and sometimes being home isn't the best environment for taking a test," she said. "COVID-wise it's probably a smart move. I feel like it's different for all students."

Sandstrom is still trying to decide what she is going to do after Thanksgiving, but right now she's leaning towards going home to Montana and staying there for the remainder of the semester. "It doesn't make a lot of sense to stay here (in Provo)."

She lives 10 hours away from her family and thinks going home would give her valuable time with family she doesn't get to see very often.

Richard West, a professor of instructional psychology and technology, said going remote after Thanksgiving should not affect students at all. "If anything, it will make it easier to take finals because students will not have to use the Testing Center but instead can test online," West said. "Research has consistently shown that there is no difference in learning outcomes

in online learning versus in-person learning."

West said online learning isn't worse, it's just different. "Some teachers teach better online and some teach better in-person," he said. "Some instructional strategies work better online, and some work better in-person."

Jason McDonald, another professor of instructional psychology and technology, agreed. "Whether it's good or bad is up to students and their professors."

BYU has said plans for Fall Semester 2020 are subject to change due to the pandemic.

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