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# Administration

## Senior University Leaders and President's Cabinet

- President, Astrid S. Tuminez (2018)**  
B.A., International Relations and Russian Literature, Brigham Young University; M.A., Regional Studies: Soviet Union, Harvard University; Ph.D., Political Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Provost and Senior Vice President of the Academic Affairs Division, F. Wayne Vaught (2019)**  
B.A., Philosophy, Psychology, and Religion, Georgetown College; M.A., Philosophy, Baylor University; Ph.D., Philosophy and Bioethics, The University of Tennessee - Knoxville
- Vice President of the Administration and Strategic Relations Division, Val L. Peterson (1988)**  
B.A., Public Relations with an Emphasis in Mass Communications, Brigham Young University; M.A., Mass Communications, Brigham Young University; M.S., Strategic Studies, United States Army War College; Ph.D., Educational Leadership, Brigham Young University
- Vice President of the Digital Transformation Division and Chief Information Officer, Christina Baum (2022)**  
B.S., History and Business Management, Brigham Young University; M.B.A., Business Administration, Washington State University
- Vice President of the Finance Division and Chief Financial Officer, Jim Mortensen (2013)**  
B.S., Business Management, Brigham Young University; M.S., Human Development, Virginia Tech; M.P.A., Public Administration, Brigham Young University
- Vice President of the Institutional Advancement Division, Kyle A. Reyes (2003)**  
B.A., Visual Arts – Graphic Design, Brigham Young University; M.Ed., Educational Leadership and Foundations, Brigham Young University; Ph.D. Educational Leadership and Policy, University of Utah
- Vice President of the People and Culture Division, Marilyn S. Meyer (2019)**  
B.S., Management Information System, University of Nevada – Las Vegas; M.S., Human Resources Management, Golden Gate University
- Vice President of the Student Affairs Division, Michelle L. Kearns (1992)**  
B.S., Business Management, Utah Valley University; M.P.A., Public Administration, Brigham Young University, Ed.D., Higher Education Administration, Northeastern University
- Chief of Staff and Vice President of the Marketing and Communications Division, Kara L. Schneck (2020)**  
B.A., Communications, Brigham Young University
- Chief Inclusion and Diversity Officer, Rasha Mohsen Qudisat (2022)**  
B.Sc., Agricultural Engineering and Technology, Jordan University of Science and Technology; M.Sc., Water Resources and Environmental Engineering, Civil Engineering, Jordan University of Science and Technology; Ph.D., Education, Inquiry, Measurement and Evaluation, Brigham Young University
- Deputy Provost, Kathren A. Brown (2002)**  
B.A., History, Alma College; M.A., Russian History, Bowling Green State University; Ph.D., Policy History, Bowling Green State University
- General Counsel, Clark Collings (2017)**  
B.S., Business Management, Brigham Young University; J.D., University of Utah

## Academic Deans in the Academic Affairs Division

- Dean of the College of Health and Public Service, Cheryl Hanewicz (2011)**  
B.S., Individualized Interdisciplinary Concentration, Eastern Michigan University; M.S., Technology Studies, Eastern Michigan University; Ed.D., Educational Leadership, Eastern Michigan University
- Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Steven C. Clark (2000)**  
B.S., Psychology, Brigham Young University; M.A., Ph.D., Psychology, University of New Hampshire
- Dean of the College of Science, Daniel M. Horns (1997)**  
B.S., Applied Geophysics, University of California at Los Angeles; Ph.D., Geology, University of California at Davis
- Dean of the Smith College of Engineering & Technology, Kelly Flanagan (2020)**  
B.S., M.S., Electrical Engineering, Brigham Young University; Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering, Brigham Young University
- Dean of the School of the Arts, Courtney R. Davis (2007)**  
B.A., Art History, Brigham Young University; M.A., Art History and Curatorial Studies, Brigham Young University; J.D., Brigham Young University
- Dean of the School of Education, Vessela Ilieva (2010)**  
B.S., Mathematics Education, Utah State University; M.S., Electronic and Automation Engineering, Technical University; Master of Second Language Teaching, Utah State University; Ph.D., Education, Utah State University
- Dean of the Woodbury School of Business, Robert D. Allen (2023)**  
B.S., M.S., Accounting, Brigham Young University; Ph.D., Accounting, Michigan State University

## Executives in the Academic Affairs Division

- Associate Provost for Academic Innovation, Tammy Clark (2021)**  
B.S., Chemistry, University of Minnesota; Ph.D., Synthetic Organic Chemistry, University of Rochester
- Associate Provost for Academic Programs and Assessment, Laurie A. Sharp (2022)**  
A.A., General Education; B.S. M.Ed., Elementary Education, University of Central Florida; Ed.D., Educational Leadership, Tarleton State University
- Associate Provost for Student Success, David R. Connelly (2008)**  
B.A., History, Brigham Young University; M.P.A., Brigham Young University; Ph.D., Public Administration, SUNY Albany

## Executives in the Administration and Strategic Relations Division

- Associate Vice President and Athletics Director, Jared Sumsion (2006)**  
B.S., Integrated Studies, Leadership & Community Health, Utah Valley University; M.B.A., Westminster College and University of Phoenix; Ed.D., Organizational Leadership, Nova Southeastern University
- Associate Vice President for Facilities Planning, Frank R. Young (2001)**  
B.S., Construction Management, Brigham Young University
- Associate Vice President for University Relations, Steven C. Anderson (2013)**  
B.S., Communication – Public Relations, Utah Valley University; M.A., Strategic Communication and Leadership, Seton Hall University; Ed.D., Interdisciplinary Leadership, Creighton University

## Executives in the Digital Transformation Division

- Associate Vice President for Partner Solutions and Support Services, Nathan Gerber (1994)**  
A.A.S., Computer Science, Utah Valley University; B.S., Computer Science - Networking, Utah Valley University; M.S., Management and Leadership, Western Governors University
- Associate Vice President for Platform Technologies, *Vacant***

## Executives in the Finance Division

- Associate Vice President for Finance and Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA) Officer, Kedric Black *Interim* (2004)**  
A.A.S., Utah Valley Community College; B.S., Accounting, B.S., Business Management, Utah Valley University
- Executive Director for Continuing Education, Richard Willing *Interim* (2016)**  
B.S., Recreational Management and Youth Leadership, Brigham Young University; M.P.A. – Higher Education Administration, Southern Utah University

## Executives in the Institutional Advancement Division

- Associate Vice President for Development Programs, Candice L. Gardner (2009)**  
B.S., Political Science, Utah Valley University; M.P.A., Public Administration, Brigham Young University
- Associate Vice President for Strategic Engagement, Christie Denniston (2021)**  
B.A., Public Relations, M.P.A. with an Emphasis in Executive Leadership, Drake University

## Executives in the Marketing and Communications Division

- Associate Vice President for Strategic Communication Management, Bryant Larsen (2022)**  
B.U.S., University Studies, University of Utah; M.S., Journalism, Northwestern University
- Associate Vice President for University Marketing, Matt Serrao (2022)**  
B.S., Recreation Management, Business Management, Asian Studies, Brigham Young University; M.B.A., Business Administration, Chaminade University of Honolulu

## Executives in the Student Affairs Division

- Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management, Andrew J. Stone (2023)**  
A.S., Utah Valley State College; B.S., Psychology, Utah Valley University; M.Ed., Education with an Emphasis in Student Affairs, University of Utah; Ph.D., Educational Leadership and Policy, University of Utah
- Associate Vice President for Inclusive Excellence, Tara S. Ivie (2008)**  
B.A. Political Science: International Relations, Utah Valley University; M.S. Administration of Academic Advising, Kansas State University; Ph.D., Education: Leadership, Utah State University
- Associate Vice President for PK-16, Grants, Outreach, and Partnership, William Barney Nye (1999)**  
B.S., Integrated Studies: Emphases in English and Behavioral Science, Utah Valley University; M.P.A., Public Administration; University of Utah; Ph.D., Educational Leadership and Policy, University of Utah
- Associate Vice President for Student Development and Well-Being and Dean of Students, Alexis Palmer (2004)**  
B.A., Elementary Education, Boise State University; M.S., Youth and Family Recreation, Brigham Young University; Ed.D., Organizational Leadership and Development, Grand Canyon University

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