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## Campolindo alumnae named BYU valedictorian

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Katherine Elisabeth Christensen walked across the stage at Brigham Young University, in Provo, Utah April 26 to receive a B.S. in psychology. At this time, she was named Valedictorian for the Psychology Department of BYU's College of Family, Home and Social Sciences. Katherine is the oldest daughter of Steve and Chris Christensen and grew up in Moraga, graduating from Campolindo High School in 2015.

While a student, Katherine worked at as a teaching assistant for various psychology professors and as a research lab manager. Her work resulted in articles, presentations and posters, for which she won the prestigious Staples Mentorship Award and placed first at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference. Membership to both Phi Kappa Phi and Psi Chi honor fraternities and the International Honor Society in Psychology are among her academic honors. She also served as support group facilitator and co-president of BYU's chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI).

Being of service fuels Katherine's passions and she feels that the support of her loving family, amazing friends and inspirational teachers have contributed greatly to her success. Studies continue this fall, as Katherine begins a PsyD program in clinical Psychology at both Palo Alto and Stanford Universities.

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