Brigham Young University
Announcement of Thesis & Dissertation Defenses

**Jason Bernard Lefrandt**
Counseling Psychology, PhD
Title: Examining Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander College Students’ Alcohol Use Across Racial Groups
Committee Chair: Gerald Kawika Allen
December 11, 2017
9:00 AM in 343 MCKB

**Carrie Elizabeth Gold**
Spanish, MA
Title: Exploring the Resting State Neural Activity of Monolinguals and Late and Early Bilinguals
Committee Chair: Gregory L. Thompson
December 11, 2017
12:00 PM in 3198 JFSB

**Evita Giraldez Weagel**
Microbiology and Molecular Biology, PhD
Title: Biomarker Analysis and Clinical Relevance of Thymidine Kinase 1 in Solid and Hematological Malignancies
Committee Chair: Kim Leslie O’Neill
December 12, 2017
10:00 AM in 5015 LSB

**Kylie Makay White**
Microbiology and Molecular Biology, MS
Title: Transposon Insertion Library of Acetobacter DsW_054 and Mutant Analysis for Acetobacter Genetic Determinants of Drosophila Association and Starvation Resistance
Committee Chair: John M. Chaston
December 12, 2017
2:00 PM in 5001 LSB

**Colby Goettel**
Technology, MS
Title: A Cognitive Approach to Predicting Academic Success in Computing
Committee Chair: Barry Mark Lunt
December 12, 2017
3:00 PM in 245 CTB

**David Michael Robinson**
Environmental Science, MS
Title: Analysis of Metagenomic Bacteria in the Desert
Committee Chair: Zachary Thomas Aanderud
December 15, 2017
11:00 AM in 5001 LSB

**Kevin Robert Laughlin**
Physics, MS
Title: Thin Film Carbon Nanofuses for Permanent Data Storage
Committee Chair: Robert Clinton Davis
December 15, 2017
1:00 PM in N288 ESC

**Jason Kim**
Food Science, MS
Title: Effects of Acid Whey Marination on Tenderness, Sensory and Other Quality Parameters of Beef Eye of Round
Committee Chair: Mike L. Dunn
December 15, 2017
1:30 PM in ESC 285

**Andrew Nathan Berrett**
Psychology, PhD
Title: Latent *Toxoplasma gondii* Infection Moderates the Association Between the C677T MTHFR Polymorphism and Cognitive Function in U.S. Adults
Committee Chair: Shawn D. Gale
December 15, 2017
2:00 PM in 1043 SWKT

**Brandon Leslie Lewis**
Nursing, MS
Title: Validation of Activity Trackers in a Laboratory Setting with Young Adults
Committee Chair: Neil Edward Peterson
December 15, 2017
3:00 PM in 462 SWKT