



# Honorary Degrees # 300.011

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### POLICY STATEMENT

Florida International University awards honorary degrees to individuals who represent the ideals and purposes for which the University stands.

Nominations for honorary degrees may be submitted by faculty, students, staff or the Honorary Degree and Awards Committee.

Nominations for honorary degrees must be approved by the Honorary Degree and Awards Committee, the Faculty Senate, the President, and the Florida International University Board of Trustees, through its established processes.

The qualifications and conditions for recipients of honorary degrees are as follows:

The person should be prominent in his or her field of endeavor - internationally, nationally or locally - as evidenced by supportive documents.

Persons who currently hold elective political office in the State of Florida, or who are declared candidates for elective political office in Florida are not eligible. Furthermore, persons who currently hold faculty or administrative positions and members of the Board of Trustees or Foundation Board of Directors at Florida International University or in the State University System, are not eligible for an honorary degree conferred by Florida International University.

#### SCOPE

This policy relates to the University Community faculty, administration, staff, and students.

### **REASON FOR POLICY**

To indicate the qualifications and conditions for selecting nominees for honorary degrees awarded by the University.





### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Faculty Senate Honorary Degree and Awards Committee reviews nominations and forwards its recommendations to the Faculty Senate, and if approved to the President.

When more than one nominee is selected by the Honorary Degree and Awards Committee, all names must be submitted as a group to the President.

The FIU Board of Trustees must approve all Honorary Degrees.

### **RELATED RESOURCES**

AUTHORITY/SOURCE: Florida Board of Governors Regulation 3.004

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### HISTORY

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