EOU Honorary Degrees Policy Draft, after discussion with the sub-committee

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In January (or February?), the President, in consultation with the President of the Senate and the Chair of the University Council, appoints a small (3-5) member ad hoc committee.

The committee will solicit and/or recommend individuals for consideration.

Criteria for nomination:

Outstanding contribution and/or service to EOU, the Eastern Oregon region, the state of Oregon, or society "at large."

The committee reviews the nominations, and supporting evidence, and makes a recommendation to the President.

The President makes the final decision, and forwards the names to the OUS Board according to OUS policy.

Degrees are awarded at commencement. Doctor of Humane Letters. Normally limited to one or two such degrees each year.

No honorary degree shall be granted by Eastern Oregon University to any person(s) who is/are currently employed by the Oregon University System.

Posthumous degrees

Posthumous degrees can be awarded upon request of the family and upon recommendation of the Provost.

Criteria for nomination:

Must have been an enrolled student in good standing at EOU at time of death. Must have completed at least 80% of the credits required for a Bachelors or Masters degree.

Request normally must be made within one year of the student's death. Degree can be awarded at the end of any academic term.

Cases of extenuating or extraordinary circumstances are to be considered in a case to case basis by the review committee.