Honorary Degree

6.10022 DP DISTRICT PROCEDURE

PURPOSE

This procedure describes the district process for awarding honorary degrees to individuals who have made significant contributions to society, their respective fields, or the academic community in alignment with Metropolitan Community College's mission and values.

NOMINEE ELIGIBILITY The following criteria will be considered when selecting nominees for an honorary degree:

<u>Professional Achievement</u>: The nominee has achieved extraordinary success and distinction in their chosen field, demonstrating exceptional talent, innovation, and impact.

<u>Contributions to Society</u>: The nominee's contributions have positively impacted society, making a significant difference in areas such as education, science, arts, humanities, social justice, public service, or other relevant domains.

<u>Leadership and Influence</u>: The nominee has exhibited exceptional leadership qualities and demonstrated influence in their field, inspiring others and leading by example.

<u>Alignment with Institution/Organization Values</u>: The nominees' values and principles align with the mission and vision of Metropolitan Community College promoting ethical behavior, inclusivity, diversity, and social responsibility.

<u>Impact on the Institution/Organization</u>: The nominee's accomplishments and contributions have had a direct or indirect positive connection to the institution.

RECOMMNEDATION FOR APPROVAL

Nominations for honorary degrees may be submitted at any time by faculty, administrators, staff, alumni, or other individuals with a significant affiliation to Metropolitan Community College. Nominations will be submitted to the Office of the Chancellor for consideration and will provide specific examples which highlight ways in which the individual meets the eligibility criteria.

The Executive Cabinet will review and make recommendations to the chancellor for approval for an award recipient. The award shall be titled Honorary Associate of Humanity degree.

Recipients will be informed of the selection and award details by the Office of the Chancellor.

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REVOCATION

The college may revoke the Honorary Degree of a recipient after consideration of evidence that the individual engaged in activities that are in violation of or incompatible with the college's mission and values. The Executive Cabinet will review and submit revocation nominations to the Chancellor for approval. Upon the Chancellor's approval, the honorary degree will be immediately revoked and the recipient will be notified.

CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS

All relevant records and documentation of the award must be maintained

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in accordance with the college's archive policy.

This procedure will be reviewed and assessed to ensure its effectiveness, relevance and alignment with the evolving goals and values of Metropolitan Community College.

REFERENCE

6.10020 BP Degrees and Certificates

2.15050 BP Archives 2.15050 DP Archives