

Academic awards and honorary degrees



Summary			
<p>The document sets out the authority for granting an academic award, including honorary degrees and fellowships, and how an academic award may be withdrawn or a request for a person to resign an academic award or change the name upon the award certificate considered.</p> <p>The content in this document was previously presented within Ordinance 16 prior to 2021/22.</p>			
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<p>Persons who receive an award of academic degrees at the University, including honorary degrees and fellowships.</p>			
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Academic awards

On the recommendation of the appropriate faculty board, subject to the overriding authority of Senate and the Board of Trustees, the University will grant an academic award to any person who has fulfilled all the conditions prescribed by statutes, ordinances and regulations.

Honorary degrees

On the recommendation of Senate, the Board of Trustees may award a degree of the University as an honorary degree, save that no degree may be awarded otherwise than by examination if it deems the holder to be fit to practice in a professional capacity.

Honorary fellowships

On the recommendation of Senate and the Board of Trustees, Court may confer the University's highest distinction of Honorary Fellow on any person who has rendered exceptional service to the University.

Withdrawal

On the recommendation of Senate, the Board of Trustees may withdraw an academic award, distinction or prize of the University if it is subsequently discovered that the award, distinction or prize was improperly obtained.

Resignation

On the recommendation of Senate, the Board of Trustees may accept a request from any person to resign an academic award, distinction or prize of the University.

Restoration On the recommendation of Senate, the Board of Trustees may restore an academic award, distinction or prize of the University to a person who has been deprived of it or has voluntarily resigned it.

Change of Name on Certificates issued by the University

The University will issue award certificates in the name in which the award is confirmed by the Faculty Examination Board. No subsequent changes will be permitted to the name shown on a certificate except where a graduate, who has undergone gender reassignment, legally changes their name.