

THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

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RESOLUTION

concerning

PROCEDURES FOR THE GRANTING OF AN HONORARY DOCTORAL DEGREE IN THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

January 6, 1984

Resolved,

The following policy and procedures are established for the awarding of honorary doctoral degrees.

- The purpose of granting honorary doctoral degrees is to honor a person and to advance the work and reputation of the Connecticut State University.
- 2. No person during his or her term as a member of the Board of Trustees and no person during his or her employment by the Connecticut State University shall be granted an honorary degree. No Connecticut resident currently holding elective office shall be granted an honorary degree.
- 3. Honorary degrees shall be granted only when circumstances warrant such action. It is possible that in some years no honorary degree will be awarded.
- 4. Recommendations for the awarding of honorary degrees shall be made by the campus President and forwarded to the President of the Connecticut State University. The campus President's recommendations shall be accompanied by a complete explanation of the contributions and achievements of each person recommended. Recommendations shall also be accompanied by a draft of a citation to be read upon the presentation of an honorary degree.
- 5. The President of the Connecticut State University shall present the campus President's recommendation to the attention of the Planning Committee, together with his or her own recommendation.

- 6. Until this point there shall have been no communication either formal or informal with prospective recipients about the possibility of receiving an honorary degree. When the Trustees' Planning Committee has approved the awarding of an honorary degree, the campus President will ask the prospective recipient to communicate privately in writing his or her commitment to accept the honorary degree at a specific place, at a specific time, and at a specific ceremony, and, if requested, the commitment to deliver an address.
- 7. When a prospective honorary degree recipient confirms in writing his or her commitment to accept the offered degree at the specified time, place, and ceremony, and, if requested, to deliver an address, the nomination will be presented to the full Board of Trustees for confirmation.
- 8. All honorary degrees will be conferred by the campus President, by the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees or the Chairperson's designate.
- 9. The format of the diploma presented to the recipients of honorary degrees shall be approved by the Trustees. The hood to be worn by the recipients of honorary degrees shall be a design approved by the Trustees.
- 10. The citation read upon presentation of an honorary degree shall be approved by the Trustees' Planning Committee.

A Certified True Copy:

James A. Frost

President