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GRANTING OF HONORARY DEGREES

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Supplements:  System Policy 11.07 Granting of Honorary Degrees

1. GENERAL

Texas A&M International University may award an honorary degree to: (1) recognize an individual who has excelled in the fields of public affairs, the sciences, humanities, the arts, scholarship, education, business, philanthropy, or social services; (2) honor an individual who has performed meritorious and outstanding service to the University, or to society at large; or (3) recognize an individual whose life has served as example of the University's aspirations for its students.

2. CRITERIA AND LIMITATIONS FOR SELECTION

2.1 The University shall follow the criteria provided in System Policy 11.07 in deciding whether to award an honorary degree to an individual.

2.2 The University shall also adhere to the limitations on the award of an honorary degree as provided in System Policy 11.07, paragraph 1.3.

3. PROCEDURES FOR SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

3.1 The President or designee of the President will appoint a selection committee to receive recommendations for honorary degrees from the faculty, administration, or members of the Board of Regents.

3.2 The University selection committee shall be comprised of five (5) senior faculty members, at least one from each college, and two administrators. The committee shall forward its recommendations to the President for approval.

3.3 Recommendations approved by the committee and President shall be forwarded to the Board of Regents for final approval. Such recommendations shall be forwarded at least six (6) weeks before the award of such degree.

3.4 At the option of the President, confidentiality will be maintained until awarding of the degree.

OFFICE OF RESPONSIBILITY:
Office of the President