

Global University of Boston
HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREES
Academic Session 2024

Awarding Honorary Doctorate Degrees provides an opportunity to reward excellence and to bring additional prestige to the institution and will be awarded only in exceptional circumstances. Awarding this degree need not be considered an annual occurrence.

ELIGIBILITY

- Honorary Doctorate Degrees is not awarded solely for philanthropic activity or service to the all professionals throughout the world. A candidate’s qualifications must be deeply grounded in outstanding intellectual and professional achievement and significant and lasting contributions to society, consistent with the academic endeavors of the University.
- Honorary degrees shall not be conferred on any faculty member, administrator, or other official associated with the University before such individual has been separated from the institution for at least five years.

POLICIES FOR NOMINATION PROCESS

- A nomination may originate from an individual from all professionals and experts.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF A CANDIDATE

- Although anyone having had “a career of superlative intellectual and/or creative ability” will receive strong consideration, the committee is especially attracted individual who has made outstanding contributions to a field or profession represented from professional expertise fields.
- The nomination should include a full curriculum vitae of the candidate, and should be constructed to show the candidate’s intellectual and creative abilities and accomplishments, appointments, honors, previous honorary degree awards, and all other information pertinent to the awarding of an honorary degree. As the committee is composed of members from many disciplines, a description by the nominator of the candidate’s precise strengths and contributions is preferable to inclusion of multiple sample publications.

PROCEDURES FOR SELECTION OF A CANDIDATE

- A committee chaired by the President and Vice President shall evaluate nominated candidates. The committee will consist of the President and Vice President, the Faculty Senate President, the Classified Senate President and Distinguished Professors.
- Nominations must be reviewed by the department closest to the discipline with which the nominee is associated before the committee makes a final nomination to the President.

- The committee will forward their recommendation, along with supporting documentation to the University President, who then forwards the recommendation to the Faculty Senate for approval of awarding an Honorary Doctorate Degree to the recommended person.

GUIDELINES FOR AWARDING HONORARY DEGREES

- Honorary Doctorate Degrees will be awarded at commencement ceremonies.
- Honorary Doctorate Degrees will not be awarded in absentia unless extraordinary circumstances (as determined by the President) exist.
- The President of the University extends the invitations to those selected to receive an Honorary Doctorate Degrees.