

REVOCATION OF HONORARY DEGREES

This document sets out the procedure to be followed where the University is concerned that there may be cause to consider the revocation of an Honorary Degree.

Honorary Degrees represent a public association between the University and the recipient. The University, therefore, reserves the right to withdraw an Honorary Degree in the event that an Honorary Graduate, through behaviour or actions, which become known to Council subsequent to his or her award, brings the University into disrepute.

Proposals should be made to the Honorary Degrees Committee with supporting documentary evidence.

The Honorary Degrees Committee will determine whether the risk to the reputation of the University is greater in maintaining the award than revoking it.

The Honorary Degrees Committee will make a recommendation to the Council for approval following a report to the Senate.

Responsibility ultimately lies with Council as it has responsibility for risk management and a threat to the reputation of the University could pose a significant risk.