



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 3335-5-48.8 Committee on honorary degrees.

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#### (A) Membership.

The committee on honorary degrees shall consist of seven tenure-track faculty members. There shall be no more than two faculty members from the same college. The term of service is five years.

#### (B) Duties and responsibilities.

- (1) Establish definite standards of scholarly attainment or of the distinctive applications of such attainment in the service of society by which to judge the qualifications for this honor.
- (2) Establish procedures for the nomination of potential candidates for honorary degrees.
- (3) Receive nominations concerning persons who might be considered for an honorary degree.
- (4) Review thoroughly the achievements and qualifications of all persons nominated.
- (5) Report to the university senate for its consideration and action such persons as have received no fewer than four affirmative votes from the committee membership.
- (6) Keep all deliberations and votes confidential except where publication is necessary for official purposes.
- (7) Deliver the full dossier of each candidate and the nomination report of the committee on honorary degrees to the secretary of the university senate. The secretary shall distribute the nomination report to all members of the university senate and make the full dossier accessible to all members of the university senate.
  - (a) This nomination report shall include a statement that conveys the committee's rationale for the nomination, including when useful, excerpts from the full dossier, pertinent details concerning the qualifications of the candidate, and the name and department or academic unit of the nominator.
  - (b) A ballot, in either paper or electronic form, shall be provided with the nomination report and shall be returned to the secretary of the university senate within a time identified on or with the ballot, but in no case less than two weeks from the date that the nomination report is distributed.



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(c) The secretary of the university senate shall transmit to the board of trustees the nominations, together with the nomination reports and dossiers provided by the committee on honorary degrees, for those candidates who are endorsed by a majority of the ballots cast by the members of the university senate.

(C) Organization.

- (1) The executive vice president and provost, or designee, shall serve as liaison between this committee and the president.
- (2) As a standing committee of the senate, this committee is also governed by the provisions of rule 3335-5-46 of the Administrative Code.