HONORARY DEGREES COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE FACULTY

The Honorary Degrees Committee met five times during the 2000-2001 Academic Year to conduct the following business:

(1) Select candidates to be awarded honorary degrees. The Committee recommended three candidates to the Faculty Senate. Both the Faculty Senate and the Board of Regents approved these candidates. The Committee also reaffirmed an invitation to a prior candidate who had been unable to attend either of the graduation ceremonies in the previous academic year.

(2) Select honorees for the Spaights Plaza marker. The Committee recommended three candidates and Chancellor Zimpher subsequently approved them.

(3) The Committee also amended its procedures by (a) moving the deadline for nominations for an honorary degree from the Fall of the academic year for which the candidate is nominated to the preceding June (e.g., the deadline for nominations for 2001-2002 is June 15, 2001), and by (b) altering the criteria for inclusion in the Spaights Plaza marker to require that the candidate have ended her or his formal connection with the university at least one year prior to the nomination with exceptions allowed for candidates whose health places them at risk.

2000-2001 Honorary Degrees Committee
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