



Angelo State University
Operating Policy and Procedure

OP 04.03: Honorary Doctoral Degrees

ORIGIN

DATE: September 1, 2007

LAST

REVIEW: October 13, 2011

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Operating Policy Procedure (OP) is to ensure understanding and a standardized approach regarding honorary degrees.

REVIEW: This Operating Policy will be reviewed in September of odd-numbered years by the President.

POLICY/PROCEDURE

The following policy on honorary degrees has been approved in accordance with Section 12.04, Regents' Rule).

1. Angelo State University will award an honorary doctorate of letters to recognize individuals who have attained achievements of extraordinary and lasting distinction. Awards shall be based on an individual's record of scholarship, creativity, leadership, humanitarian service or public service. Individuals may have an existing association with the state and/or the University. Individuals may also have no existing association with the University and may establish that connection with the acceptance of the honorary degree.
2. Honorary Doctoral Degrees shall not be awarded to employees of the University or members of the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System, unless the person has been separated from the Texas Tech University System for at least two (2) years; or to individuals who have direct political, legal or budgetary authority over the University; or officials currently holding elective office.
3. Nominations for honorary degrees may be made by faculty members, students, staff, administrators or members of the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System.
4. Nominations shall be evaluated by an advisory committee appointed by the president of Angelo State University, with administrative, faculty and student representation, and recommendations shall be made to the president.
5. Honorary degrees to be conferred by Angelo State University shall be recommended by the president to the chancellor and authorized by the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System.