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but which merit such recognition. Every effort will be made to select candidates who reflect Canadian society and the University's commitment to diversity including, but not limited to racially visible persons, aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities and women.

- 1. Honorary degrees shall not be awarded to individuals who may exert a real or perceived influence on:
 - i. Public policy, laws, or public funding directly affecting the University; or
- 2. The following are categories of individuals who have a deemed conflict of interest that would render a candidate ineligible to receive an honorary degree:
 - i. Current members of the faculty, staff, the Board of Governors or Senate or their immediate families. These individuals may not be considered for nomination until a minimum of one year has passed since their active connection with the University has ended;
 - ii. Current students:
 - iii. Individuals actively serving as federal Members of Parliament;
 - iv. Individuals actively serving as provincial Members of the Legislative Assembly in provinces where the University has a campus; and
 - v. Individuals actively serving as municipal politicians in counties where the University has a campus.

Elected officials not falling into category 2(iii), 2(iv) or 2(v) will be carefully evaluated to determine

whether the candidate may exert a real or perceived influence on the University as set out in Section 1 herein.

- 3. Honorary degrees are not normally granted in absentia or posthumously.
- 4. Candidates who have accepted an invitation to receive an honorary degree but have cancelled an

- 9. Candidates approved by Senate will be contacted directly by the President and invited to receive an honorary degree. Upon acceptance of this invitation, the names and the ceremonies at which the honorary degrees will be awarded will be confirmed to the Office of the Registrar by the President on a confidential basis and will remain confidential until such time as a public announcement has been made by the President. Where possible, honorary degree recipients will be selected to receive their degrees at the Convocation which most closely aligns with their field of achievement.
 - 1. The Senate Honorary Degrees Committee ("the Committee"), may recommend to Senate that an honorary degree, and all privileges and rights connected with the honorary degree, be revoked where the holder of the honorary degree:
 - has been convicted of any criminal offence (and all appeal options have been exhausted) which shall be held by the Committee to be of an immoral, or scandalous or disgraceful nature; or
 - b. has had their name removed for misconduct by a properly constituted legal authority from any official register of members of the profession to which they belong; or
 - c. has engaged in conduct which, in the reasonable opinion of the Committee, constitutes a significant departure from generally-recognized standards of public behavior and which is seen to undermine the public reputation of the University, and/or is inconsistent with the University's character and values within the community, and/or constitutes a breach of any agreement made with the University as a condition of the conferment of the honorary degree.
 - 2. The Committee may consider the revocation of an honorary degree based on a written request for revocation made by any person in writing to the Chair of Senate. The Chair of Senate may also initiate a request for revocation, based on information available to the Chair. If the Chair of Senate determines that there may be reasonable grounds for revocation of an honorary degree as set out in V1. 1. the request will be forwarded by the Chair of Senate to the Committee for its consideration.
 - 3. The Committee will review the information provided in support of a request for revocation and if, in the opinion of the Committee, the grounds for revocation are considered to be insufficient or spurious, the Committee, after consultation with the Chair of Senate, will send a reply to the person who made the request to that effect.
 - 4. If the Committee determines that there may be reasonable grounds for revocation of the honorary degree, the request will proceed as follows:
 - The Chair of the Committee will send a written notice advising the person, on the basis of the allegations of fact set out in the notice, that revocation of their honorary degree is under consideration. The notice will advise the person that,