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BOARD OF REGENTS

LAWS OF THE REGENTS

ARTICLE 9: ~~DESIGNATIONS AND~~ REGENTS AWARDS

~~Part A: Designations~~

~~9.A.1 — Distinguished Professor~~

~~(A) — By specific action of the Board of Regents the designation of "distinguished professor" is bestowed on university faculty members who have distinguished themselves as exemplary teachers, scholars, and public servants, and who have extraordinary international importance and recognition.~~

~~(B) — Further, such designations shall be awarded only on the recommendation of the appropriate campus chancellor and the president of the university following departmental nomination and justification; review by the office of the concerned dean(s); screening by a committee of senior faculty peers who will advise the chancellor about the merit of each proposal; and screening by a university-wide faculty committee who will advise the president.~~

~~9.A.2 — Professor or Officer Emeritus/Emerita~~

~~(A) — Any faculty member may be allowed, upon retirement and in accordance with the campus-defined process and approval by the chancellor, to retain his or her title with the description "emeritus/emerita."~~

~~(B) — Any officer except those reporting directly to the president or the Board of Regents may be allowed, upon retirement and approval by the president, to retain his/her title with the description "emeritus/emerita."~~

~~(C) — Any officer reporting directly to the president or the Board of Regents may be allowed, upon retirement and approval by the Board of Regents, to retain his/her title with the description "emeritus/emerita."~~

~~Part~~ **BA: Regents Awards**

~~9.~~**BA.1** Honorary Degrees

The Board of Regents may award Honorary Degrees in recognition of outstanding intellectual contributions, university service, philanthropy, and/or public service. To receive an Honorary Degree, candidates selected must attend a university commencement within a two-year period following selection.

44 9.BA.2 University Medals and Distinguished Service Awards
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- 46 (A) The Board of Regents may award University Medals to recognize persons
47 whose achievements and contributions are particularly associated with the
48 university.
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- 50 (B) The Board of Regents may award Distinguished Service Awards to recognize
51 persons whose achievements and contributions are particularly associated with
52 the state and/or nation.
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- 54 (C) University Medals or Distinguished Service Awards are generally awarded at
55 commencements but may be awarded on other occasions, as determined by
56 the Board.
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58 9.BA.3 Candidates for Nomination
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60 Anyone may submit nominations. Exceptions as to who can be nominated are as
61 follows:
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- 63 • No person may nominate him/herself, nor may current university employees be
64 nominated.
- 65 • Current public officials may not be nominated. Public officials are elected or
66 appointed officials in policy making positions with the ability to directly affect the
67 university through an official act.
- 68 • Public officials may be nominated two years after completion of their terms of
69 office.

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72 **History:**

- 73 • Amended September 11, 1997; January 22, 1998; September 9, 1999; August 3, 2000;
74 December 19, 2002; August 21, 2008; November 6, 2015.
- 75 • Adopted as Article 9: Designations and Regents Awards on June 15, 2017, but did not
76 become effective until the related administrative policy statements (APSS) were
77 implemented on January 1, 2018.
- 78 • Last reviewed ~~January 4~~ TBD, 2018.