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Honorary degrees are conferred to recognize outstanding individuals for their significant contributions to society and are a centuries-old tradition of the academic community. Honorary degrees have great value to the College, the recipient, the community, and society. Honorary degrees are not earned through academic achievements, rather through generous and altruistic actions or lifetime accomplishments that benefit a community, nation, or humanity in general.

It is the policy of Hocking College to award honorary degrees on a selective basis to distinguished individuals who merit special recognition for outstanding leadership, achievement and/or service to community, achievement in career, support for Hocking College students and our mission.

The President is authorized to award honorary degrees for Hocking College.