

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON HONORARY DEGREES AND OTHER FORMS OF RECOGNITION

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To: Senate  
From: Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms of Recognition  
Date: April 22, 2026  
Re: 2025/2026 Annual Report

The [Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms of Recognition](#) define its scope, and in the Spring, presents an annual report to Senate on its business and proceedings over the previous academic year.

The Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms Recognition met four times in during 2025/2026: August 18, 2025, October 9, 2025, December 11, 2025, and April 2, 2026.

At its October, December and April meetings, the committee considered candidates for honorary degrees. In turn, the committee's recommendations were considered and approved by Senate at its November 2025 and January 2026 meetings. The committee will also present recommendations to the Senate on May 8, 2026.

At its December meeting, the committee considered and approved the granting of the title President Emeritus. The Senate considered and approved the recommendation at its January 2026 meeting.

The committee encourages Senate members to suggest worthy nominees for consideration and, in particular, candidates who have a connection to British Columbia, and those with diverse backgrounds who might otherwise escape the committee's attention.

Respectfully submitted,

**2025/2026 Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms of Recognition**

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