

Eastern Illinois University Honorary Degree: Criteria for Selection

Honorary degrees may be awarded by the University to persons who have achieved a record of major distinction at the state or national level in such areas as education, public service, research, humanities, business, or the professions. In exceptional circumstances, honorary degrees may be awarded to persons who, though they have not achieved national or statewide recognition, have made an especially outstanding and significant contribution to the University.

Elected or appointed public officials in state/local government, members/employees of Eastern's Board of Trustees and members and employees of the Board of Higher Education are ineligible for award of an honorary degree during their term of office/employment.

Nomination materials/information may be obtained by contacting Dr. Jill Nilsen, Vice President for External Relations, Eastern Illinois University, 600 Lincoln Avenue, Room 1031 Old Main, Charleston, IL 61920. The deadline for all nomination forms and supporting materials is **December 7, 2009**.

Honorary Degree Nomination Guidelines and Checklist Eastern Illinois University

Please use the format shown below to submit an honorary degree nomination. Nominations as well as all supporting materials are due **December 7, 2009**. Earlier submissions are encouraged and will be appreciated.

Nominee Information

Name: _____

Address:

Street

City State ZIP

Telephone: (_____) _____ - _____

E-mail Address: _____

Nominator Information

Name: _____

Address:

Street

City State ZIP

Telephone: (_____) _____ - _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please check the appropriate nomination category:

- The nominee has achieved a record of major distinction at the state or national level in such areas as education, public service, research, humanities, business, or the professions.
- The nominee, although having not achieved national or statewide recognition, has made an especially outstanding and significant contribution to the University or higher education.

On a separate sheet, please respond to the following:

- State in narrative form your reasons for the candidate's nomination, including biographical background.
- Does the nominee have any relationship to EIU? If so, please describe.
- Please attach appropriate supporting materials, and up to three letters of recommendation, and return to Dr. Jill Nilsen, Vice President for External Relations, Eastern Illinois University, 600 Lincoln Avenue, Room 1031 Old Main, Charleston, IL 61920, **no later than December 7, 2009**.