

## POSTHUMOUS DEGREES

For humanitarian considerations propelled by compassion in response to tragedy, Campbell University operates with a special degree category termed "Posthumous Degrees." These are degree awards to bring ministry and closure to tragic situations involving the deaths of current Campbell students. Acknowledging that unique circumstances surround such situations, eligibility for any posthumous degree award shall be considered on a case by case basis. In this vein, the University operates simply with general guidelines.

### Eligibility

- a) Any student who has completed all degree requirements but who is deceased before the formal commencement ceremony is eligible to be awarded a posthumous degree.
- b) Any matriculated student who has substantially completed the work for a degree, normally 3/4 of all coursework toward the degree, who was in good academic standing and was successfully progressing towards completion of degree requirements, shall be eligible for consideration for a posthumous degree.

### Approval Process

Upon consultation with the student's major/program faculty, the dean of the school from which the degree would be offered may prepare a written recommendation to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost. The Vice President shall review the record and consult with the President before approving or denying the recommendation.

### Awarding the Posthumous Degree

- a) With the affirmative recommendation of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the posthumous degree shall normally be awarded. However, the President retains the authority to override the decision of the Vice President and/or to deal with related extraordinary circumstances which may arise.
- b) The degree will normally be conferred at the next regularly scheduled commencement exercise, though other avenues for conferral may be utilized as appropriate.
- c) The posthumous nature of the degree will be indicated on the diploma, the student's permanent record in the Office of the Registrar, and in the commencement program.