

# POSTHUMOUS AND MAJOR DISABILITY AWARDS POLICY

[replaces DEATH AFFLICTION POLICY FOR RESEARCH AWARDS]

## **Research awards:**

Should a candidate decease after submission of a thesis (ThD/MTh) or major project (DMin) but before it has been awarded and the examiners recommend the degree be awarded, then on the advice of the Research and Research Studies Committee, at its discretion, the Academic Board may confer the award posthumously provided that any corrections required would not have involved a substantial rewriting of the thesis. In such cases a note prepared by the Dean of the circumstances relating to the thesis and the lack of the required corrections is to be appended to the copies of the thesis lodged in any libraries.

Should a candidate suffer a debilitating ailment or affliction after submission of a thesis (ThD/MTh) or major project (DMin) but before the degree has been awarded and the examiners recommend the degree be awarded, then on receipt of written advice from attending medical expertise and the advice of the Research and Research Studies Committee, at its discretion, the Academic Board may confer the award provided that any corrections required would not have involved a substantial rewriting of the thesis. In such cases a note prepared by the Dean of the circumstances relating to the thesis and the lack of the required corrections is to be appended to the copies of the thesis lodged in any libraries.

Should a candidate decease after the completion of requirements for an award but before it is conferred, a posthumous award will be conferred.

## **All other awards:**

Should a candidate decease after completion of requirements for an award but before it is conferred, a posthumous award will be conferred.

Should a candidate decease or suffer a debilitating ailment or affliction before completion of all requirements for an award but have completed all but an insubstantial proportion of the requirements, on the advice of the candidate's primary college and such other advice as the Chair of the Academic Board may request, at its discretion the Academic Board may confer a posthumous or major disability award. In such cases a note prepared by the Dean of the circumstances relating to the award and the lack of the required credit points is to be appended to the student's record.

The wording of the award in all cases would be as follows:

Example: J Citizen, ThD (*adgrotat*)

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