

RULES

ON THE GRANT OF HONOURARY TITLES AND OTHER RECOGNITIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTENEGRO

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I BASIC PROVISIONS

Article 1

These Rules determine the types of recognition awarded by the University of Montenegro, as well as the conditions and procedure for their awarding.

Article 2

The University of Montenegro (hereinafter: the University) can, as a recognition, award an Honorary Doctorate, a Charter, a Certificate of Appreciation and the title of Honorary Professor (Professor honoris causa).

Article 3

The University can award an Honorary doctorate to a prominent scientific, cultural or other public figure from the country and abroad for making an exceptional contribution in certain areas of teaching, scientific research or artistic creativity that has significantly contributed to the improvement of higher education, science, technology, culture or the arts, as well as the affirmation and expansion of the reputation of the University and its Organizational Units.

The University can award a maximum of one Honorary doctorate during each academic year.

The University Charter is the highest recognition of the University and can be awarded to the domestic or to a foreign natural or legal person, for their special contribution to the development of the University and the improvement of its work, by which, through their scientific, professional or other results, they have significantly increased the reputation of the University in the country or abroad and which, thanks to their exceptional commitment, has contributed to the improvement of the University's cooperation with other relevant institutions both in the country and abroad.

The University Charter is awarded on the occasion of celebrating the jubilee anniversaries of the University (that is, on every tenth anniversary of the University).

The University can award a maximum of three Charters for each jubilee anniversary.

A Certificate of Appreciation is awarded to academic staff for their contribution to raising the educational, scientific and material status of the University, as well as for notable successes in teaching and scientific research work.

The University can award the title of Honorary professor (Professor honoris causa) to a distinguished professor or scientific researcher from abroad for making a special contribution to the development of higher education if they have a confirmed international reputation as a result of their teaching, educational, scientific research and other professional activities, if they have worked to generally improve scientific

and research capacities, if they were or still are the head of international scientific and research institutions that are recognized by the general public, if they were or still are the head of large scientific and research projects, if they have participated or are participating in the unification of scientific and research capacities at the international level and if they have contributed or continue to contribute to the inclusion of the domestic scientific community and research infrastructure in a way that is recognized by the international public.

Article 4

Awards are given to an individual during their lifetime.

II THE PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Honorary Doctorate

Article 5

The Senate conducts the procedure for awarding an Honorary doctorate and makes a decision on the awarding of an Honorary doctorate.

The initiative to award an Honorary doctorate can be initiated by the Rector or the Council of the relevant Organizational Unit.

Article 6

The initiative for the awarding of an Honorary doctorate is submitted to the Senate and should contain the decision of the authorized proposer to begin the initiative for the awarding of an honorary doctorate and an explanation of the reasons for proposing the award of an honorary doctorate.

The rationale for the proposal shall contain: biographical information; bibliographic data; an opinion on all relevant scientific, artistic or professional work; an evaluation of the candidate's contribution to the advancement of scientific thought, as well as their contribution to the development of higher education, scientific research and artistic creativity, or else to the advancement of technology, methods and culture as relevant; and an evaluation of the candidate's contribution to the affirmation and expansion of the reputation, as well as the improvement of the work and development of the University and the Organizational Units of the University, as applicable.

A proposal, clearly outlining these reasons, along with the necessary documentation, shall be submitted to the University no later than March 1st of the year in which the Honorary doctorate is to be awarded.

Article 7

The Commission for University Recognitions (hereinafter: the Commission) considers all the received proposals and submits a report to the Senate on the awarding of an Honorary doctorate.

Article 8

The Commission mentioned in Article 7 of these Rules shall have three members.

Two of the members are appointed by the Senate from among the Full professors and Scientific advisers, and shall be prominent members of the academic community.

The Chairman of the Commission is the Vice-rector, who is appointed by the Rector.

Article 9

The Senate makes a decision on the awarding of an Honorary doctorate by secret ballot. In the case of several candidates, when none receives the necessary majority, the vote is then repeated for the candidate with the largest number of votes.

Article 10

The individual who has been awarded an Honorary doctorate is promoted and awarded their Honorary doctorate degree in a specific ceremony which, as a rule, takes place within the framework of the University Day celebrations.

The Honorary doctorate is signed by the Rector.

The diploma certificate is certified by the University's seal.

The diploma certificate shall be created by hand and use calligraphy.

The content and form of the diploma certificate on the acquisition of an Honorary doctorate is determined by the Rector.

Article 11

The University shall keep a permanent record of all Honorary doctorates which it awards.

The University Charter

Article 12

The initiative for awarding the University Charter can be initiated by the Rector or the Council of the relevant Organizational Unit.

A detailed explanation shall be submitted alongside the initiative mentioned in Paragraph 1 of this Article.

The initiative is submitted to the Senate.

Article 13

The Commission mentioned in Article 7 of these Rules considers the submitted initiative and submits a report to the Senate on the awarding of the University Charter.

Article 14

The procedure for the declaration of the Senate for granting the University Charter is defined in Article 9 of these Rules.

Article 15

The University Charter shall be made on high-quality paper, with a leather binding on which the name and logo of the University are printed, and inside it shall feature the

name of the award; the name and surname of the natural person or legal person who is the recipient; a short explanation from the Senate's decision on granting the University Charter; the number and date of issue, the University's seal and the Rector's signature.

Article 16

The University Charter shall be handed over by the Rector at a ceremonial event.

The Certificate of Appreciation of the University

Article 17

The Senate decides on the awarding of the University's Certificate of Appreciation, at the proposal of the Rector.

A Certificate of Appreciation can only be awarded once.

The Senate's procedure for awarding the University's Certificate of Appreciation is defined in the Article 9 of these rules.

The University's Certificate of Appreciation is presented by the Rector at the ceremony marking the Day of the University.

The title of Honorary Professor (Professor honoris causa)

Article 17a

The proposal for awarding the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) is determined by the Council of the relevant Organizational Unit or the Rector.

Article 17b

The proposal for awarding the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*), in addition to the statement of the decision establishing it, must also contain the relevant biographical and bibliographic data of the candidate and an explanation of one or more of the reasons given in Article 3 Paragraph 7 of these rules for which the award of that title is proposed, alongside appropriate evidence.

Article 17c

The proposal mentioned in Article 17b of these Rules with the opinion of the Commission mentioned in Article 7 of these Rules on the submitted proposal, are both then submitted to the Senate for approval.

Article 17d

The opinion of the Commission referred to in Article 17c of these Rules is published in the Bulletin of the University of Montenegro at least 15 days before the day of the Senate session at which the proposal for the award of the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) is decided.

Article 17e

The Senate makes a decision on awarding the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) by a majority vote of the total number of members of the Senate.

In the case of several candidates, when none of them receives the necessary majority, the vote is repeated for the candidate with the largest number of votes.

Article 17f

An individual who has been awarded the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) is ceremonially promoted and awarded a diploma on the acquisition of the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) at the solemn session of the Senate.

The diploma of Honorary professor is signed by the Rector of the University and the Dean or the Director of the relevant Organizational Unit, on whose proposal the procedure for awarding the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) was initiated.

When the proposal for awarding the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) was made by the Rector, the diploma awarded to the Honorary professor is signed only by the Rector.

The diploma on the acquisition of the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) is certified with the University's seal and is hand written using calligraphy.

The content and form of the diploma on the acquisition of the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*) is determined by the Rector.

Article 17g

The University shall keep a permanent record of the awarding of the title of Honorary professor (*Professor honoris causa*)

III FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 18

These Rules enter into force on the eighth day from the day of their publication in the Bulletin of the University of Montenegro.