

## Proposal to University Faculty Council:

Advocating the active participation of regional campus faculty in the nomination and selection of honorary degree candidates with the goal of reflecting and representing the unique roles our campuses play in our communities, the IU Kokomo Faculty Senate Honorary Degree Committee proposes the following:

1. Amend [ACA-62: Honorary Degrees](#) to mandate that the University Faculty Council Honorary Degree Committee includes at least one representative from each regional campus.
2. This representative would solicit nominations from campus faculty during the first or second Faculty Senate meeting of the fall semester and forward these names to the Office of the Chancellor for review and preparation of the suggested nomination documentation.
3. Revise IU Kokomo Faculty Senate bylaws to reflect the new role of the campus-level honorary degree committee as providing confidential consultation for the UFC HDC representative throughout the process.

## Current IU Kokomo Faculty Senate Bylaws, Section 3.7:

The Faculty Senate shall have an Honorary Degree Committee. Notwithstanding Bylaws Section 1.2, faculty members with administrative appointments are eligible to serve on this committee.

The Honorary Degree Committee shall consider candidates for an honorary degree from Indiana University Kokomo. If approved by majority vote of the committee, the candidate's name is sent to the University Faculty Council Honorary Degree Committee, which is the next step in the approval process for honorary degrees from Indiana University.

## Relevant amendments to ACA-62 as reviewed and approved April 23, 2019:

### Previous version:

Some campuses have established faculty committees to initiate nominations and provide for preliminary review at the local level.

### Revision:

Sentence deleted as "redundant, not a procedure and incorrect."

### Previous version:

The Honorary Degrees Committee shall be a standing committee of the University Faculty Council, with its membership composed of four members of the University Faculty Council selected by the Nomination Committee and four members from outside the Council selected by the President. The chairperson shall be one of the four Council members and shall be selected by the Nomination Committee in consultation with the president.

### Revision:

The HDC shall be composed of four members of the faculty selected by the Executive Committee and four members selected by the President. Members shall be selected so as to assure diversity among campuses, disciplines, and perspectives. The chairperson shall be selected by the Executive Committee in consultation with the President.

Amendments with comments available in [Circular U15-2019 Proposed amendments to ACA-62, Honorary degrees](#).

## Questions/Comments:

Please direct any questions or comments to your IU Kokomo Faculty Senate Honorary Degree Committee representative:

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For a brief history of honorary degree procedures on the IU Kokomo campus, see [Timeline – IUK Faculty Senate Honorary Degree Committee](#).