

[Nomination period for honorary degree candidates open through Oct. 23](#)

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At Tulane's 2019 Commencement, honorary degrees were bestowed on actress Blythe Danner and U.S. Rep. John Lewis. Tulane's Senate Committee on University Honors is now accepting nominations of candidates for honorary degrees to be awarded at Commencement.

Tulane's Senate Committee on University Honors has issued a call for nominations of candidates for honorary degrees to be awarded at Commencement. Nominations should be submitted by Oct. 23, 2020.

Honorary degree recipients are individuals who exemplify the university's commitment to the highest standards of scholarship, creative work or community engagement. In conferring an honorary degree on an individual, Tulane not only honors that person, but also puts on display what the university values as a community. [The specific criteria for honorary degrees can be found here.](#)

Please note that submissions must include a formal nomination letter explaining in what ways the nominee meets the selection criteria, a current vita for the candidate and any other supporting materials the nominator feels should be brought to the committee's attention. If the individual you are nominating has a relationship to Tulane, a description of that relationship is always welcome as part of the nomination letter and is appreciated by the committee.

Nominations may be sent directly to [Martin Davies](#), committee chair; Kim Boyle, chair of the Board Committee on Honorary Degrees; or [Will Ferbos](#), associate vice president for Institutional Affairs and Deputy Chief of Staff.