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Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee receives nominations for Honorary Degrees and the Vice-Chancellor's Medal and makes confidential recommendations to Senate regarding the award of such distinctions.

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Membership

		Term of Office (to 31 July)
Vice Chancellor and Principal (Chair)	Professor D S Eastwood	Ex officio
Provost and Vice Principal (Deputy Chair)	Professor A Tickell	Ex officio
Registrar and Secretary	Mr L Sanders	Ex officio
Director of External Relations	Mrs C Gilbert	Ex officio
Two Heads of College	Professor E J Jenkinson Professor M Whitby	2016 2017
Four members elected by the Senate	Professor K Armour Professor C Ross Professor J Glasby Professor J Rowe	2015 2015 2017 2017
One Lay Member of Council	Mr J E K Smith	2015
One Public Orator	Professor R B Jackson	2015
President of the Guild of Students	Ms P Wilkinson	Ex officio
In attendance	Professor C P Thomas	
Secretary	Mrs L Johnson	

Terms of Reference

The Committee receives nominations for Honorary Degrees and the Vice-Chancellor's Medal from students, alumni, employees, honorary staff or lay members of the Court or Council of the University and makes confidential recommendations regarding the award of such distinctions.

Criteria for the Award of Honorary Degrees:

- Honorary Graduands are individuals who are particularly eminent in their field and whose work is of high international, national, or regional significance as appropriate.
- Nominees normally have links with, or have made a contribution to, the University, the City of Birmingham, or the West Midlands. This is, however, not an essential requirement. For example, academics of exceptional distinction in fields where the University of Birmingham is distinguished may be considered.
- There should be clear potential for a continuing or future relationship between the nominee and the University.
- To avoid possible misconceptions, the University does not normally consider nominees who are currently serving politicians or persons who have direct or significant influence over funding bodies.
- The University does not normally consider conferring a second honorary degree on the same individual.
- Serving or retired members of staff (including those holding honorary staff titles) are not normally considered for an award simply on the basis of their service to the University, but may be considered on grounds of exceptional service at a regional, national, or international level.

Dates of Meetings

The 2014-15 meeting dates are:

- Tuesday 14 October 2014

- Tuesday 24 February 2015
- Wednesday 19 May 2015

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