

# Honorary Degrees

1872 - 2020

1872

R. A. Pearson, Doctor of Agriculture  
John J. Pershing, Doctor of Laws  
Roscoe Pound, Doctor of Civil Law  
Theodore Roosevelt, Doctor of Civil Law

**1918**

Charles S. Lobingier, Doctor of Civil Law

**1919**

William L. Seibert, Doctor of Engineering

**1920**

Raymond Eli Benedict, Master of Forestry  
Clarence Curtis Culver, Doctor of Electrical  
Engineering  
Charles R. Richards, Doctor of Engineering  
Roscoe W. Thatcher, Doctor of Agriculture

**1921**

Harold Gifford, Doctor of Laws  
David Kinley, Doctor of Laws  
John Holland Rose, Doctor of Laws

**1922**

Charles W. Pugsley, Doctor of Agriculture  
Sergei V. Rachmaninoff, Doctor of Music

**1923**

William Granger Hastings, Doctor of Laws  
Albert Watkins, Doctor of Laws

**1924**

William Edwin Hardy, Master of Arts

**1925**

**1937**

Christian L. Christensen, Doctor of Agriculture  
Robert Anderson Gantt, Doctor of Engineering  
Walter Jacob Wohlenberg, Doctor of Engineering

**1938**

John Davidson Clark, Doctor of Laws  
Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Doctor of Letters  
Harry Levi Hollingworth, Doctor of Laws  
Leta Stetter Hollingworth, Doctor of Laws  
John Torrence Tate, Doctor of Science  
William Linn Westermann, Doctor of Laws

**1939**

Hartley Burr Alexander, Doctor of Letters  
LaMonte Judson Belnap, Doctor of Engineering  
Orien Wesley Fifer, Doctor of Laws  
Frederic Benjamin Garver, Doctor of Laws  
Ernest Emmanuel Howard, Doctor of Engineering  
Frederick Maurice Hunter, Doctor of Laws

**1940**

Frederic Edward Clements, Doctor of Laws  
Gladys Henry Dick, Doctor of Laws  
Alvin Saunders Johnson, Doctor of Laws  
Joel Stebbins, Doctor of Laws  
Alexander Jerry Stoddard, Doctor of Laws

**1941**

Viola Florence Barnes, Doctor of Laws  
Thomas Jean Hargrave, Doctor of Laws  
Mark Morton, Doctor of Agriculture  
John Chatfield Page, Doctor of Engineering  
Arthur Sperry Pearse, Doctor of Laws  
Karl Chandler Randall, Doctor of Engineering

**1942**

Charles Michael Bracelen, Doctor of Laws

**1943**

Frederick James Kelly, Doctor of Laws  
Charles Franklin Kettering, Doctor of Engineering  
Research  
Ralph Scott Mueller, Doctor of Engineering  
John Todd Zimmer, Doctor of Science

**1944**

Stanley Bracken, Doctor of Engineering  
Eugene Edward Lundquist, Doctor of Engineering  
Howard Remus Smith, Doctor of Agriculture

**1945**

Edwin Harrison Brown, Doctor of Engineering  
Edwin Ray Guthrie, Doctor of Laws  
Edgar Franklin Howe, Master of Agriculture  
Harry Clyde Ingles, Doctor of Engineering  
Frank Henry Woods, Doctor of Laws  
Ruth Frances Woodsmall, Doctor of Laws

**1946**

Ernest Athern Bessey, Doctor of Laws  
Ben Mark Cherrington, Doctor of Laws

**1947**

Frederick Carl Holtz, Doctor of Engineering  
Andrew Conway Ivy, Doctor of Science  
Gilmour Byers MacDonald, Doctor of Agriculture  
Charles W. Mc

**1952**

Joy Paul Guilford, Doctor of Laws  
Henry Albert Jones, Doctor of Science  
Trygve Halvdan Lie, Doctor of Laws  
George Paul Luckey, Doctor of Engineering  
Ruth O'Brien, Doctor of Science  
Charles Augustus Weymuller, Doctor of Science

**1953**

Edgar van Nuys Allen, Doctor of Science  
Herbert Brownell, Jr., Doctor of Laws  
Charles Mitchell Candy, Doctor of Engineering  
Reuben Gilbert Gustavson, Doctor of Humanities  
Jane Margueretta Hoey, Doctor of Humanities  
Hazel Gertrude Kinscella, Doctor of Music  
Harry Scott Smith, Doctor of Science

**1954**

Frederick Adam Figi, Doctor of Science  
Jay Wright Forrester, Doctor of Engineering  
Howard Kramer Gray, Doctor of Science  
Kenneth Fisher Warner, Doctor of Agriculture  
Ivan Daley Wood, Doctor of Agriculture  
Louis Christian Zopf, Doctor of Science

**1955**

Elmer Clark Bratt, Doctor of Laws  
Hollis Leland Caswell, Doctor of Laws  
Arthur William Farrall, Doctor of Engineering  
Donald Marion Pillsbury, Doctor of Science  
Homer Leroy Shantz, Doctor of Laws  
John Clare Whitehorn, Doctor of Science  
Leslie Lewis Zook, Doctor of Science

**1956**

Benjamin Albert Botkin, Doctor of Letters  
Ward Darley, Doctor of Science  
Alfred M. Gruenther, Doctor of Laws  
Lee Alton Kilgore, Doctor of Engineering  
Darryl Francis Zanuck, Doctor of Humanities

**1957**

Clarence A. Davis, Doctor of Laws  
Henry Margenau, Doctor of Science  
Paul Bigelow Sears, Doctor of Laws  
John Kent Selleck, Doctor of Laws  
William Jay Turnbull, Doctor of Engineering

**1958**

Franklin D. Murphy, Doctor of Science  
George Fred Sprague, Doctor of Science

**1959**

John Moore Allison, Doctor of Laws  
Walter Dietrich Behlen, Doctor of Engineering  
Milton E. Mohr, Doctor of Engineering  
Charles Yoder Thompson, Doctor of Agriculture

**1960**

Loren Corey Eisely, Doctor of Letters  
Earl O. Heady, Doctor of Science  
William Arthur McConnell, Doctor of Engineering  
Gerald Lloyd Phillippe, Doctor of Laws

**1961**

Howard F. Ahmanson, Doctor of Laws  
Ruth M. Leverton, Doctor of Science  
J. Lee Rankin, Doctor of Laws

**1962**

Glenn Willard Burton, Doctor of Science  
Arthur Thomas Jersild, Doctor of Laws  
Milan James Kopac, Doctor of Science  
Louis Carl Lundstrom, Doctor of Engineering  
Donald Frederick Othmer, Doctor of Engineering  
Carl M. Reinert, Doctor of Laws

**1963**

Hazel Pearl Abel, Doctor of Laws  
Samuel Miller Brownell, Doctor of Laws  
G. Robert Coatney, Doctor of Science  
Thomas James Hartford, Doctor of Science  
Otto H. Liebers, Doctor of Laws  
Anatole G. Mazour, Doctor of Laws

**1964**

Georgian Adams, Doctor of Science  
Arthur C. Bryan, Doctor of Laws  
Peter Kiewit, Doctor of Laws  
William Charles Norris, Doctor of Science  
Wayne Otis Reed, Doctor of Laws  
Vestor Joseph Skutt, Doctor of Laws  
Percy Craig Spencer, Doctor of Laws  
Theos Jardin Thompson, Doctor of Science  
Samuel C. Waugh, Doctor of Laws  
Wayne H. Worthington, Doctor of Engineering

**1965**

Forrest Edwin Behm, Doctor of Laws  
John Robert Brown, Doctor of Laws  
Ihsan Dogramaci, Doctor of Laws  
William O. Jones, Doctor of Science  
Arjay Ray Miller, Doctor of Laws  
Albert Henry Moseman, Doctor of Science

Elmo B. Roper, Jr., Doctor of Science  
Lowell Thomas, Doctor of Laws

**1966**

Earl Meloy Cline, Doctor of Laws  
David Fellman, Doctor of Laws  
Doretta Schlaphoff Hoffman, Doctor of Science  
James Herbert Jensen, Doctor of Laws  
Harold Frank Robinson, Doctor of Science  
Edward Stanley, Doctor of Laws  
Carruth J. Wagner, Doctor of Science

**1967**

Robert Arnold Alberty, Doctor of Science  
Merle Eugene Curti, Doctor of Letters  
Robert Henry Dietz, Doctor of Science  
Joseph McVicker Hunt, Doctor of Science  
J. Martin Klotsche, Doctor of Laws  
Joseph Grant Knapp, Doctor of Science  
Aileene Simpson Lockhart, Doctor of Science  
Hart Perry, Doctor of Laws

**1968**

Ralph Johnson Bunche, Doctor of Humane Letters



**1983**

Harry A. Blackmun, Doctor of Laws  
 Donald C. Cox, Doctor of Science  
 Paul H. Harvey, Doctor of Science  
 John W. Henderson, Doctor of Science  
 Paul H. Henson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Lawrence R. Klein, Doctor of Science  
 Fred W. McLafferty, Doctor of Science  
 Joseph G. Noh, Doctor of Science  
 Henry Pascale, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Walter Scott, Jr., Doctor of Letters  
 Fred Waring, Doctor of Arts & Letters  
 John W. White, Jr., Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Sir Oliver Wright, Doctor of Humane Letters

**1984**

Otto F. Baumann, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 R. L. "Dick" Herman, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Peter Hermes, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Shirley Hill, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 David H. Murdock, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Ned S. Raun, Doctor of Science  
 Richard A. Schleusener, Doctor of Science  
 Eugene W. Skinner, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Henry Nash Smith, Doctor of Letters  
 Robert H. Storz, Doctor of Science  
 Zhang Wenjin, Doctor of Humane Letters

**1985**

Robert W. Allington, Doctor of Science  
 Robert Anderson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Malcolm Baldrige, Doctor of Letters  
 Rabbi Sidney Brooks, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Melvin R. Gibson, Doctor of Science  
 John L. Holland, Doctor of Letters  
 Philip Johnson, Doctor of Letters  
 Herbert C. Modlin, Doctor of Science  
 Charles Peebler, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 John W. Reps, Doctor of Arts & Letters  
 Paul C. Schorr, III, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Sam Segnar, Doctor of Law  
 Gladys E. Sorenson, Doctor of Science  
 Robert Van Pelt, Doctor of Laws

**1986**

Richard M. Bressler, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Flavia Waters Champe, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Charles M. Harper, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Theodore Hesburgh, Doctor of Laws  
 Tom S. Miya, Doctor of Science  
 Mary Jean Mulvaney, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Joseph L. Parker, Doctor of Science

Charles John Tupper, Doctor of Science  
 Lloyd Dale Van Vleck, Doctor of Science  
 Dale E. Wolf, Doctor of Science

**1987**

Norman H. Cromwell, Doctor of Science  
 Adele Coryelle Hall, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Christina Hixson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 F. Kenneth Iverson, Doctor of Laws  
 William Jovanovich, Doctor of Laws  
 Eugene Kamprath, Doctor of Science  
 Marilyn Mason, Doctor of Music  
 James E. Olson, Doctor of Laws  
 Kazuo Takechi, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Thomas R. Thomsen, Doctor of Science  
 Varro E. Tyler, Doctor of Science  
 Austin L. Vickery, Jr., Doctor of Science

**1988**

Virgilio Barco, Doctor of Laws  
 James P. Collman, Doctor of Science  
 Steve A. Eberhart, Doctor of Science  
 W. Grant Gregory, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Yorio Hinuma, Doctor of Science  
 Ralph Leonard Ireland, Doctor of Science  
 Ding Shi-Sun, Doctor of Science  
 William C. Smith, Doctor of Laws  
 Joseph Soshnik, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Beryl W. Sprinkel, Doctor of Laws  
 Cecil L. Wittson, Doctor of Science  
 Han Xu, Doctor of Laws  
 Clayton K. Yeutter, Doctor of Laws

**1989**

Gene A. Budig, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Warren Buffett, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Donald J. Cram, Doctor of Science  
 Charles W. Durham, Doctor of Humane Letters Margre  
 H. Durham, Doctor of Humane Letters  
 Carroll M. Leevy, Doctor of Science  
 Leon S. McGoogan, Doctor of Science  
 Stuart O. Nelson, Doctor of Science  
 John Milton Roberts, Doctor of Letters  
 Milo B. Tesar, Doctor of Science  
 Charles Thone, Doctor of Laws  
 Joseph D. Williams, Doctor of Science

**1990**

Kathryn Elaine Barnard, Doctor of Science  
 Gretchen G. Berggren, Doctor of Science  
 Warren L. Berggren, Doctor of Science  
 Herman Cain, Doctor of Science

Donald O. Clifton, Doctor of Humane letters  
Jack A. MacAllister, Doctor of Science  
John W. Madden, Jr., Doctor of Laws  
Radim Palous, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Donald R. Ross, Doctor of Laws  
Mike Royko, Doctor of Humane Letters  
James Stuart, Sr., Doctor of Humane Letters

### 1991

Daniel W. Cook, III, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Michael J.C. Echeruo, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Milton J. Hassel, Doctor of Humane Letters  
George Klein, Doctor of Science  
Eva Klein, Doctor of Science  
A. Bruce Maunder, Doctor of Science  
Robert C. Rosenlof, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Elwood N. Thompson, Doctor of Humane Letters

### 1992

Forrest E. Behm, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Ada S. Hinshaw, Doctor of Science  
Hubert Locke, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Barney Oldfield, Doctor of Letters  
W. Ann Reynolds, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Phil Schragger, Doctor of Letters  
John Sculley, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Virginia Smith, Doctor of Laws

### 1993

Viorel Barbu, Doctor of Letters  
James B. Coffman, Doctor of Science  
Harold E. Enarson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Mary Gray, Doctor of Laws  
Bernice Harris, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Norman Y. Harris, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Leland S. Holdt, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Joe E. Lutjeharms, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Martin E. Marty, Doctor of Letters  
Michael G. Morrison, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Edwin C. Nelson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Samuel D. Proctor, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Marvin G. Schmid, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Virginia C. Schmid, Doctor of Humane Letters

### 1994

F. Gene Dixon, Doctor of Science  
Claudia Goldin, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Frances Hesselbein, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Clifton K. Hillegass, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Nobuyuki Ito, Doctor of Science  
Howard R. Lamar, Doctor of Letters  
C. Peter Magrath, Doctor of Letters

Saburo Nagakura, Doctor of Science

### 1995

Val L. Fitch, Doctor of Science  
J. Leonard Goldner, Doctor of Science  
Kermit R. Hansen, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Barbara Jordan, Doctor of Laws  
Ulrich Littmann, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Dorothy H. Olson, Doctor of Science  
Leland J. Olson, Doctor of Science  
Steven B. Sample, Doctor of Letters  
James L. Woodress, Doctor of Letters

### 1996

Augusto Boal, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Myron K. Brakke, Doctor of Science  
Marvin H. Caruthers, Doctor of Science  
Paulo Freire, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Shirley Goldstein, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Frank W. Hale, Jr., Doctor of Humane Letters  
Raymond A. Hicks, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Merle Hinrichs, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Libby Larsen, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Hugh Sidey, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Melig Sipahioglu, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Thomas C. Sorensen, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Donald M. Stewart, Doctor of Humane Letters

### 1997

J. James Exon, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Peter J. Gomes, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Moshe Katsav, Doctor of Humane Letters  
William McBain Kizer, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Trudy Lieberman, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Henry M. Munger, Doctor of Science  
Franklin A. Sonn, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Leroy B. Townsend, Doctor of Science  
Jerome Warner, Doctor of Humane Letters

### 1998

Tom H. Allan, Doctor of Humane Letters  
William Sloane Coffin, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Roger Kennedy, Doctor of Letters  
Norman Krivosha, Doctor of Laws  
Menahem Pressler, Doctor of Music

### 1999

Marion Marsh Brown, Doctor of Humane Letters  
John I. Goodlad, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Vinod Gupta, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Denham Harman, Doctor of Science  
Alan J. Heeger, Doctor of Science



George W. Lundeen, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Kay A. Orr, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Paul Volcker, Doctor of Philosophy

#### **2000**

Patricia S. Broder, Doctor of Letters  
President William Jefferson Clinton, Doctor of  
Humane Letters  
Natalie D. Hahn, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Eugeniu Hriscev, Doctor of Letters  
Stanley Ikenberry, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Charles A. Mebus, Doctor of Sciences  
Thomas E. Starzl, Doctor of Science  
Desmond Tutu, Doctor of Humane Letters

#### **2001**

Hans Brisch, Doctor of Letters  
Bruce Chabner, Doctor of Science  
Robert Hemenway, Doctor of Letters  
James E. Miller, Doctor of Letters

#### **2002**

Nancy J. Andreason, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Hal France, Doctor of Letters  
Mikhail Gorbachev, Doctor of Laws  
Charles Holland, Doctor of Letters  
Gunter Kahn, Doctor of Science  
William R. Nester, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Dumitru Oprea, Doctor of Letters  
Mary Louise Hanson Pritchard, Doctor of Science  
Lee Simmons, Doctor of Science  
Victor Yampolsky, Doctor of Letters

#### **2003**

Rita Colwell, Doctor of Letters  
James W. Cronin, Doctor of Science  
Richard K. Davidson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Stephen R. Lawhead, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Admiral Richard W. Mies, Doctor of Laws  
Frank Morrison, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Richard Riley, Doctor of Laws  
Marla E. Salmon, Doctor of Science  
Mary Zimmerman, Doctor of Letters

#### **2004**

Marian Battey Andersen, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Paul Berg, Doctor of Science  
Ted Kooser, Doctor of Letters  
Joseph M. McFadden, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Alexander Payne, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Jack Pulec, Doctor of Science  
Maxine F. Singer, Doctor of Science

#### **2005**

John Beasley, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Doug Bereuter, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Linda Cronenwett, Doctor of Science  
Phyllis Hunhoff, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Hamid Karzai, Doctor of Letters  
Ben Kuroki, Doctor of Letters  
Ann Mactier, Doctor of Education  
Paige Mulhollan, Doctor of Letters

#### **2006**

Lilian Faust, Doctor of Letters  
Jun Kaneko, Doctor of Humane Letters  
John W. Kenagy, Doctor of Science  
Peter G. Peterson, Doctor of Humane Letters

#### **2007**

Claude M. Bolton, Jr., Doctor of Science  
Charles H. Brim, Doctor of Science  
Daniel Rusk Brooks, Doctor of Science  
Sam Fried, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Vard R. Johnson, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Mahabir Pun, Doctor of Humane Letters  
David Satcher, Doctor of Science

#### **2008**

John Gottschalk, Doctor of Letters  
Ronald W. Roskens, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Lawrence Tabak, Doctor of Science

#### **2009**

Eugene Cordes, Doctor of Science  
Paul A. Johnsgard, Doctor of Science  
Le Kang, Doctor of Science

#### **2010**

Jeffrey S. Raikes, Doctor of Letters  
Xiaoming Shen, Doctor of Science

#### **2011**

Alberto Ibarguen, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Louis W. Sullivan, Doctor of Science  
Nanning Zheng, Doctor of Science

#### **2012**

Richard Holland, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Gang Pei, Doctor of Science

#### **2013**

E. Benjamin Nelson, Doctor of Letters  
Harold H. Saunders, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Kimberly Siniscalchi, Doctor of Health Sciences

**2015**

Janet Gilsdorf, Doctor of Science  
Barbara Hendricks, Doctor of Fine Arts  
M. Ishaq Nadiri, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Thomas Novotny, Doctor of Science  
Aldo Tesi, Doctor of Humane Letters

**2016**

Sina Bavari, Doctor of Health Sciences  
Victor Lewis, Doctor of Fine Arts

**2017**

Barbara Holland, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Ruth and Bill Scott, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Evan Williams, Doctor of Humane Letters

**2018**

Michael Crow, Doctor of Science  
Lois Margaret Nora, Doctor of Health Sciences  
Alexander Payne, Doctor of Fine Arts  
Willy Thiesen, Doctor of Commerce

**2019**

Jon Bokenkamp, Doctor of Fine Arts  
Jordan Cohen, Doctor of Health Sciences  
Cathy Hughes, Doctor of Commerce  
Michael Owen Johanns, Doctor of Law  
Darrel Kirch, Doctor of Health Sciences

**2020**

Samuel Bak, Doctor of Humane Letters  
Doyt Conn, Doctor of Health Sciences